



MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 3 April 2017 at 1938 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Allen Frary (Chairman), Gary Anthony, Roger Arguile, Pauline Catton, Rodney Crafer, Lindsay Dew, Joe Ellison, Tony Ford, Mike Gates, Ray Hewitt, Campbell MacCallum & Guy Warren

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Simon Hester, Press (The Quay) & 6 members of the Public.

- 1) Public Forum No speakers
- 2) Apologies Vincent Fitzpatrick
- 3) To receive Declarations of Interest None
- 4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2017. Agreed and Signed
- 5) To consider a letter received from NNDC with regard the Community Housing Fund recently announced by Central Government.
Resolved – That the Clerk should write to NNDC and ask them to work with Homes for Wells.
- 6) To consider a request from a resident on East Quay to re-position a street light.
Resolved – Permission given.
- 7) To consider asking NCC Highways to further explore the possibilities of a roundabout at the junction of Beach Road and The Quay via parish partnership funding.
Resolved – To go forward with the proposal for the roundabout.
- 8) To consider a number of issues recently expressed regarding dogs and dog fouling.
Resolved – Clerk to write to Holkham Estate asking if a warden is to be engaged and will there be more enforcement.
- 9) Reports
 - a) Safer Neighbourhood Team
No report was received



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b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Dr Marie Strong

Marie's usual monthly report is published in the Quay Magazine. In addition Marie explained that NCC is pursuing a market town improvement strategy with regard improving access to public transport and reducing congestion. Marie asked the Council if it wanted her to put Wells forward for consideration. Resolved - Yes

c) North Norfolk District Council

Vincent Fitzpatrick gave his apologies but submitted a report which is available on the website. Simon Hester was in attendance and spoke about NNDC money committed to the Egmere Business Park, a legal challenge against the planning inspectorate with regard permission for wind turbines at Baconsthorpe and affordable homes.

d) Town Clerk's Report

A report is appended and is available on the website. As a result of the report it was resolved that £10,000 carried over from the 2016/2017 financial year should be earmarked for highways improvements. In addition to the report the Clerk advised that a) a compliant received concerning encroachment on the highway in Chapel Yard had been passed to the Highways Authority who have confirmed that action was being taken, b) that the new lease for the children's playground was to be signed the following day, c) that a letter had been received regarding the position of the shellfish stall on the Quay asking the council to get involved; it was determined it was not a matter for the council to consider.

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

JE (Buttlands/Noticeboard/Staithe Street) JE asked for guidance on how long notices should be left on the board (*it was agreed three months*).

RH (Children's Playing field) The playground is ready for the season and the Bounty has been pressure washed. Could the council pay for the cost of the hire of the roller (*it was agreed*).

CM (Traffic and Parking) The traffic management working party should be meeting again before the next town council meeting.

TF (Council Services) There had been a problem on the Quay with people using fish boxes and bait barrels as waste bins for fish and chip packaging.

RA (Tourism) The 2017 Town Guides would be arriving on 6th April.

GW (Polka Cemetery) The tree surgeons had finished and there will be no more clearance now until the autumn.

AF (Beach Road Toilets NNDC Consultation Working Party) The working party had met on 27th March 2017, appointed RA as vice-chair, co-opted PC, GW, Peter Rainsford and Annie Golding to the working party, accepted NNDC's terms of reference, the first meeting of the working group would not be until the end of May and there would be a break with no meeting in August. The working party had also agreed that a questionnaire/insert should be sent out with the Quay Magazine to canvass the views of the local community and other stakeholders, however, there was a cost implication (*it was agreed the questionnaire/insert should go out and be funded by the Town Council*).



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10) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

Payments during the month

Madasafish	Email Service (Feb)	1.69
E-on Energy	Street Lighting Electricity	500.92
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance Feb	277.43
E Boydell	Tree surgery Cemetery	1100.00
Killgerm Chemical Ltd	Rodenticide & Bait Boxes	197.76
A Beale	Odd jobs	£30.00 -----
	Site Clearance Polka Cemetery £800	830.00
E Boydell	Tree surgery Polka Cemetery/Church	2100.00
Anglian Water	Water Rates - Allotments	85.91
Greg Hewitt	Clerk's salary deposit	1000.00
Madasafish	Email Service (Mar)	1.69

Payment 1 April 2017

Media8	Wells Town Guide	2689.00
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Payments 3 April 2017

Jimmy Tottle	bollards	220.00
Greg Hewitt	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	201.95
Norfolk Pension Fund	monthly contribution	468.52
Wells Community Hospital	Rent	250.00
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE 4th quarter	1818.90
Environment Agency	General Drainage Charge Allotments	21.54
Avena Environmental Limited	Confidential Waste Disposal	75.00
Mr E Cast	Litter Picking	265.65

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

11) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 8 May 2017.

Meeting ends 2135

