



MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 5 September 2016 at 1920 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Allen Frary (Chairman), 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, Vincent Fitzpatrick, Press (The Quay) & 8 members of the Public.

1) Public Forum

John Terrington spoke about concerns regarding non-compliance with the 20mph limit on Burnt Street and incidents of dangerous parking. He also expressed concerns about the encroachment on the highway at the front of the Globe Inn.

A resident from Stratton Place spoke about a need for a proper road surface on Shop Lane and parking restrictions.

Pat Weston on behalf of the Carnival Committee thanked the council for their support with the carnival.

2) Apologies Gary Anthony & Police

3) To receive Declarations of Interest None

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2016 Agreed and Signed

5) To receive a petition from Maggie Ward asking that Norfolk County Council consider concerns about the junction of the B1105 and A148 Cherry Tree Corner at Fakenham, and look at either a roundabout or traffic lights being installed.

Maggie had obtained 1573 signatures in total and the petition was formally handed to County Councillor Marie Strong with the Town Councils full support.

11b) Norfolk County Council

Marie Strong also delivered a short report which was circulated to the councillors and is available on the website.

6) To consider concerns about the enclosed area of highway on the Buttlands outside the Globe Inn
CM explained that there were concerns about the area of public highway in front of the Globe Inn which has been enclosed by planters. Several councillors had also received similar complaints from residents. The Clerk explained that enforcement was a matter for the Highways Authority who had stated that any action taken would have to be targeted at every trader obstructing the highway; action could not be taken against one individual in isolation.

Resolved – The Clerk to write to the Globe Inn outlining the concerns.



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- 7) To consider a request from a resident for improvements of the road surface at the junction of Bolts Close and Shop Lane.

The Clerk had spoken with the Highways Engineer and as a rough guide the improvement of the junction would cost about £2000 and the improvement of the whole of Shop Lane £50,000. If done under the parish partnership scheme the Town Council would have to pay half. Marie Strong said there were other issues with the Lane that were being investigated including the standard of maintenance by the Highways Authority. It was agreed to leave it with Marie to follow up.

- 8) To discuss the refurbishment of the town sign.

GW explained the sign was deteriorating and needed refurbishment. It was agreed to get an estimate of cost. Pat Weston volunteered to get a price as the carnival committee had been involved with the last refurbishment.

- 9) To consider the purchase and installation of a vehicle activated 20mph speed sign on Church Street/Burnt Street.

GW stated that the 20mph speed limit on Church Street and Burnt Street was being ignored and thought a vehicle activated 20mph speed sign might be beneficial.

The Clerk was asked to investigate options and costs.

- 10) To consider the following grant applications

- a) Wells Street Party
- b) Poetry-next-the-Sea
- c) Burnham Market Area Community Car Scheme
- d) Wells-next-the-Sea Twinning Committee

Resolved: The following grants were awarded: a) £200: b) £200: c) 300: d) £300

- 11) Reports

- a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

A report was circulated to the Councillors and is available on the website.

- c) North Norfolk District Council

Vincent Fitzpatrick gave a report. He mentioned the end of the shared staff scheme with Gt Yarmouth, Green Build at Felbrigg Hall 10th & 11th September and the Big Society Fund.

LD asked that the district keep an eye on the situation with the Captains Table site to prevent it becoming an eyesore.

- d) Town Clerk

A report is appended and is available on the website. In addition the Clerk mentioned a new confidential waste contract had been agreed, a bench at the Polka Cemetery was in need of replacement, bids for next year's budget now needed to be submitted, the area Police Inspector was not available for the meeting in October concerning parking problems and 'Paint Out Wells' would be returning to the Buttlands with a marquee the weekend of 17th & 18th September.



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e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

RH (Playground) RH thanked Eddy Cast, the council's litter picker, for the brilliant job he has done this summer. The trial with the bins on the playground had been a success during the height of the season. Two new swing seats were required. The tractor has now been installed. The annual bonfire on the Buttlands will take place on 5th November

CM (Traffic and Parking) CM would be asking for a working party to be formed for a route and branch review of the parking and traffic problems. The new Freeman Street car park was now fully open and Holkhams's new signage should go up on 12th September.

PC (Dementia & Coastal Communities Team) The Dementia Friendly group is holding a Memory Walk at Holkham on 18th September. At a recent SNAP meeting Pauline tried to get illegal parking as a priority, something which has happened at Holt. The Coastal Communities Team is still working to try and bring the units on Maryland into use. Pauline asked if it would be possible to get a breakdown of how many local people were allocated one of the new Victory Housing properties on Market Lane (the question was put to Vincent Fitzpatrick who said he would enquire)

TF (Services) The litter situation on the Quay had been pretty good overall during the season.

GW (Services) GW reported a defective light on Market lane.

RA (Tourism & Town & Parish Forum) Roger read out a press release concerning the Town & Parish Forums progress with the second homes council tax issue. The press release is available on the website.

12) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

Standing payments during July

British Telecom	telephone service	100.7
E-on Energy	Street Lights	536.70
NNDC	Rates - Cemetery	51.00
Madasafish	Email Service	1.69
Greg Hewitt	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00

Payment made during August

Jimmy Tottle	Bollards	220.00
Greg Hewitt	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	200.95
Norfolk Pension Fund	monthly contribution	468.52
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Lighting Maintenance June	866.02
Norse Eastern Ltd	Ground Maintenance	£1168.73 -----
	Ground Maintenance	£310.57 1479.30
Veolia Environmental Services	Waste collection	97.49
Wells Community Hospital	Rent - July	250.00
The Play Inspection Company Ltd	Playground Inspection	99.00
Eddy Cast	Litter Picking	277.20
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance(July)	234.71
Command Pest Control Ltd	Pest Control Cemetery (Moles)	84.00
Avena Environmental Limited	Confidential Waste	75.00



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Standing payments during August

E-on Energy	Street Lights	554.58
NNDC	Rates - Cemetery	51.00
E-on Energy	Buttlands	110.81
Madasafish	Email Service	1.69
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	Ground Maintenance £310.57	1479.30
Veolia Environmental Services	Cemetery rubbish collection	146.23
Wells Community Hospital	Office rent	250.00
Mazars	External Audit	480.00
J Cooke	Pest Control Allotments July/Aug	120.00
Mr S Marshall - Auto Graphics	Signs for Playground	36.00
Platten & Anthony DIY	Barrier Tape	8.95
A Beale	Odd jobs	65.40
Viking	Bin Bags/Office Supplies	145.94
Eddy Cast	Litter Picking	385.00

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

13) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 3 October 2016.

Meeting ends 2126

