



The Town had been very busy over the Bank Holiday weekend, without any visible sign of policing. RH asked why 2000 pilgrims visiting Walsingham required a heavy police presence and yet with several times that number of visitors in Wells, we had no police at all. AS said that in the past factional fighting between various religious groups required heavy policing, although that hadn't applied in 2009. Several members thought that Wells deserved more policing on busy weekends. In the past "specials" had been used for traffic control why were they not used now? The answer was that there were not as many available as there used to be. AS said that he had noted the concerns and would investigate himself when he was on duty at weekends. KL said that he had received a report that someone had been camping on The Buttlands at the weekend and asked if the police could eject such people. AS was not sure but would investigate.

Insurance cover has been arranged for the individual volunteers operating the car park on the Recreation Field on Sundays and Bank Holidays in the summer. The cover was for volunteer members of "Wells Combined Charities". There had been an excellent start to the season, with three times the turnover of the same time last year. Each group has already accumulated more than half of the average of £700 of last year. The Peterborough Minis have pulled out of their booked day so there would now be 16 days available rather than 15. A very nice letter in praise of the Beach Road children's playground had been received and circulated. However, there had been several complaints about the cleanliness of toilets, both verbal and written. KL had asked the contracts person from NNDC to visit, although when he had done so there was not a problem. Two invitations had been received for the larger Councils meeting in Attleborough on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June, but no one wished to attend. There was also an invitation to attend the Shoreline Management meeting at Blakeney on 22 June, but nobody wished to attend. The area partnership had issued an invitation to Councillors to a meeting on the evening of 9 June, (Community Action through Sport) but this clashed with the Parishes Partnership meeting in Binham on the same night. SCIRA had issued an invitation for Councillors to attend a presentation at the Crown on the evening of 16 June. 9 Councillors and KL would attend. The *Wells for the Future* project has been unable at present to find a suitable replacement for Bonnie Robinson as project coordinator.

Communications: GA is still investigating the possibility of a tourism leaflet

Children's Playground: RH announced that two new benches had been promised for the field and would be in place in the autumn.

Housing: *Homes for Wells* are now looking for more potential tenants, having satisfied the demand from those that have applied for housing up to now. The Coordinator, who has done a good job, has given in her notice and will need to be replaced.

Traffic & Parking: An enforcement officer will be visiting to look at the illegal B & B signs that have been erected in Town. AF & CM had visited the new Estate Director at Holkham with regard to the proposed new car park. A new set of plans had been drawn up and a business plan was being prepared.

6) To receive a report following the meeting of the Norfolk Quality Councils Network

RH and KL had attended. This had been an interesting meeting with representatives from most of the Quality Councils in Norfolk (approximately 40). There had been discussions on a Unitary local government, including the devolution of functions and services to Towns and Parishes. There had also been a discussion on the transfer of assets from principal authorities to towns and Parishes, although this did not seem to be operating in North Norfolk, except at full market value.

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# MINUTES CONTINUED

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15) Financial Report and Accounts for Settlement

A report had been circulated at the beginning of the meeting. The following had been paid during the month:

NNDC	Sackhouse Rates	78.00
NNDC	Cemetery Rates	51.00
Brightview Internet	Broadband	14.61
British Telecom	Telephone Service	73.31
Keith Leesmith	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00

The following were agreed for payment:

Veolia	Cemetery waste bin	29.37
Friends of Beach Rd Playing Field	Bounty Project donation	2000.00
Keith Leesmith	Salary (net of deposit) and expenses	338.90
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	423.76
MHB Services Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	279.89
E-on Energy	Street Lighting electricity	442.11
Jimmy Tottle	Bollards	220.00
Norse Commercial Services Ltd	Grounds maintenance	1221.88
Zurich Municipal Insurance	Annual Insurance & Inspection Policy	1718.31
Norfolk Rural Community Council	associate membership subscription	15.00
Mick Chestney	Litter Picking	342.65
Terry Corbishley	Litter Picking	246.40

16) To confirm date of next meeting

Monday 6 July 2009

**Meeting closed at 2105**