



## WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

WELLS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, MILL RD,  
WELLS-NEXT-THE-SEA, NR23 1RF

2015/07

# MINUTES

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### Town Council Meeting held on 2 March 2015 at 1916 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Allen Frary (Chairman), Roger Arguile, Pauline Catton, Rodney Crafer, Lindsay Dew, Joe Ellison, Mike Gates & Ray Hewitt,

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), press (The Quay), Marie Strong, Peter Terrington and 5 members of the Public.

1) Public Forum

John Terrington informed the council that Anglian Water had now jetted the suspect section of sewer at Crown Lane/Church Plain. That section of sewer had never been jetted before and was heavily scaled and blocked with fat. John asked if the council would write to Anglian Water requesting that the sewer be jetted every six months (*Clerk will write*).

Steve Clark spoke on behalf of the Street Party group who will be organising an event to commemorate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day on 9<sup>th</sup> May. He asked if the council would help with funding for the event; it was agreed to have an agenda item at the next meeting.

Mike Strong advised that the Emergency Flood Wardens now have generators, flood lighting and Communications equipment which could be lent out to groups for events.

2) Apologies Gary Anthony, Tony Ford, Campbell MacCallum, David Pentney-Smith & Jonathan Savory

3) To receive Declarations of Interest None

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2015 Agreed and Signed

5) To further consider the planting of a hedge along the southern and western boundaries of the Cemetery.

It was agreed to defer any decision until November for consideration in the 2016/2017 budget

6) To confirm the standard clauses of the revised Local Government Pension Scheme and adopt the new proposed Employer's Pension Policy.

Resolved – Policy adopted and signed.

7) Reports

a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

No report received



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b) Norfolk County Council

County Councillor Dr Marie Strong advised that the blocked drain at the east end of the Quay was being investigated. The recent test of the flood wardens new radio equipment had gone well and the wardens had received a warm reception from residents. The sewage connection for the Hopkins Homes site would now be made in the verge, negating the need for a complete road closure. No date had yet been fixed for the connection but no work would be allowed over Easter. Faster Broadband was now scheduled for the whole town by the end of June. LD asked about problems with surface water on Station Road and had Marie heard from BT about allowing the Royal Mail vans to park in the exchange yard. Marie said photographic evidence of the water problem would be beneficial and she had not heard from BT.

c) North Norfolk District Council

District Councillor Peter Terrington submitted a report which is appended and available on the website.

d) Town Clerk

A report is appended and available on the website.

In addition to the report the Clerk informed councillors that an anonymous letter had been received and copies circulated (It was agreed the council does not discuss or act on anonymous correspondence). The Clerk also circulated three quotes regarding the supply of the new fingerposts; resolved – the Stockport post by Broxap was chosen. LD asked if it would be possible for the location of any automated external defibrillators (AED) to be collated and made available to the public. LD would gather a list of locations.

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

JE (Buttlands/ Staithe Street/Noticeboard) The work to the Buttlands verges is progressing well. Someone has been removing notices from the Noticeboard. Water is pooling in the entrance to Gamble Square.

LD (Cemetery) The southern boundary of the cemetery has been tidied and the wreaths have now been removed.

RH (Playing Field) RH is concerned about the possibility that the new access to the proposed Freeman Street Car Park will be along the top of the playing field bank; RH is trying to arrange a meeting.

PC (Dementia Friendly Community) There is a launch of the Dementia Friendly Town at the Maltings at 7 pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

RA (Tourism) After some amendments the Town Guide should be available before Easter.



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8) Accounts for Settlement**Payments during the month**

Madasafish	Broadband Service	14.99
E-on Energy	Street Lighting Electricity	473.68
E-on Energy	Buttlands	37.05
Greg Hewitt	Clerk's salary deposit	1000.00

**Payments 2 March 2015**

Jimmy Tottle	Bollards	220.00
Greg Hewitt	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	255.98
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	464.77
K & M Lighting Services	Street Lighting Maintenance	306.70
Veolia	Bins - Cemetery	27.16
Wells Community Hospital	Rent	250.00
Anglian Water	Cemetery	18.60
Viking	Stationery & waste sacks	224.84
P J Canham	Pest Control Cemetery	66.00
MD Thompson	Flood Warden Equipment	8.16
Mike Strong	Flood Warden Equipment	239.92
Cheque completed in error		0.00
Pear Technology Services Ltd	Mapping - Land Registry	90.00
Mr A Beale	Allotment Gate Repair	75.25
Mr E Cast	General Odd Jobs	39.65
P Snell	Tap repairs Allotment & Cemetery	67.00
R Cooke	Waste removal (skips) west end allotments	130.00
Wells Methodist Church	Room Hire	168.00
NNDC	Dog waste collection Old Staithe Walk	43.20
Steward Safety Supplies Ltd	Replacement sign Old Staithe Walk	43.37
Poetry next the Sea	Grant	200.00
Wells Lighting Fund	Grant (reissued cheque)	500.00
Friends of the Beach Rd Playfield	Grant	650.00
Terry Corbishley	Litter Picking	146.20

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

9) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 13 April 2015

Meeting ends 2045

