



MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 6 October 2014 at 1930 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Allen Frary (Chairman), Gary Anthony, Roger Arguile, Pauline Catton, Rodney Crafer, Lindsay Dew, Joe Ellison, Mike Gates, Ray Hewitt, & Campbell MacCallum & David Pentney-Smith

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), press (The Quay) Marie Strong, Peter Terrington and 10 members of the Public.

1) Public Forum

County Councillor Marie Strong spoke regarding item 7 on the agenda and stated she was making enquiries to establish ownership of the area in question. The resurfacing work on Northfield Lane had been postponed to allow for additional traffic management. Marie also made mention of the County Council budget consultation and Parish Partnership Scheme. Joyce Trett asked if she could speak after Item 5; this was allowed.

2) Apologies Tony Ford

3) To receive Declarations of Interest Item 7, MG

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 September 2014 Agreed and Signed

5) To receive a talk by Lucy Downing of Visit North Norfolk about tourism

Lucy spoke to the council about Visit North Norfolk which is a privately funded Destination Management Organisation responsible for promoting the area.

Joyce Trett then spoke to the council on behalf of the Maltings Trust and the Tourist Information Centre about the importance of the visitor guides produced by the Town Council.

6) To consider any items to be added to the Budget/Precept process to be discussed next month.

Various items were discussed and it was suggested that RA should investigate the possibility of having the Town Guides printed in Wells.

Resolved – The following items were agreed for inclusion in the 2015/2016.

Town Guide Reprint	£2,000
Signage	£600
Buttlands/Quay Traffic Order	£12,000
Repair to Town Pump	£1,000

7) To discuss vehicles parking on the paved area at Bolts Close opposite the Post Office

The item was deferred until the ownership of the area could be clarified.



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- 8) To consider a request to place a memorial bench on the Buttlands and the requirement for policy and guidance concerning future requests.

Resolved – That in future every application for a bench should go before the Council.

That the application before the Council be accepted.

- 9) Reports

a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

Crimes since the 1 September were 1 attempt Burglary, 3 ABH, 1 Robbery & Common Assault, 1 fear and provocation of violence, 2 thefts and a dog dangerously out of control on the beach. RH reported youths drinking on the playing field and LD reported youths congregating and drinking at the Polka Road Cemetery.

c) North Norfolk District Council

A written report was submitted by Cllr Peter Terrington and is appended and available on the website. CM asked what could be done about the bench outside the Fleece on Staithe Street; PT replied that if it was a danger NNDC would look into it. RH reported that the fenced off area at the Beach Road toilets was now overgrown with weeds and looked a disgrace, the broken rails at the front were dangerous and there was still no hot water. He further reported that the damaged railings on the Stearmans Yard car park had still not been repaired; PT asked that the Clerk write to NNDC about these matters.

d) Town Clerk

A report is appended and available on the website.

In response to the report the council agreed planning permission should be applied for to use the recreation field car park from Good Friday to the 30th September, a meeting of the coach park committee would be held at 6 pm Wednesday 22 October 2014 and that a site meeting should be organised to consider planting a hedge at the cemetery. In addition the Clerk advised that the council's insurers had been notified that the claim for the incident in Staithe Street was still being pursued by solicitors representing the claimant, the Egmore Development order had been adopted by NNDC, the Council Office would now be closed Wednesdays to allow the Clerk to work some additional afternoons and the Clerk reported on a meeting with NNDC's executive officers.

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

RH (Playing Field) There would be a bonfire as usual on the Buttlands for November 5th.

CM (Traffic and Parking) Following a site meeting highways had recommended no additional parking restrictions be implemented on Polka Road but that an additional white T bar would be installed by the entrance to Scarborough House in Clubbs Lane. The use of the No Waiting cones on the Quay had worked well and the recreation field car park had been a success.

RA (Tourism) had attended the Visit North Norfolk oversight meeting which had given a useful overview.

GA (Working Committee) Locations for the fingerposts have been agreed including two sited on the quayside (permission has been given by the harbour commissioners). Work on Old Staithe Walk should commence soon and the Buttlands verges will be done in November.



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10) Accounts for Settlement

Payments during the month		
E-on Energy	Street Lighting electricity	473.62
Madasafish	Broadband subscription	14.99
NNDC	Cemetery Rates	55.00
Greg Hewitt	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00
Payments 6 October 2014		
Jimmy Tottle	Bollards	220.00
Greg Hewitt	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	540.08
Norfolk Pension Fund	monthly contribution	489.29
K & M Lighting Services	Street Lighting Maintenance	306.70
Norse Eastern Ltd	Grounds maintenance £1306.87	-----
	Grounds maintenance £310.57	1617.44
Veolia Environmental Services	Cemetery rubbish collection	25.96
Wells Community Hospital Trust	Office rent September	250.00
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE 2nd quarter	1615.17
Pear Technology Services Ltd	annual charge	240.00
Mr A Beale	Shrub & Tree trimming churchyard	25.00
Norfolk Central Printers	Parking Scheme Posters	36.00
Mr S Marshall - Auto Graphics	Signs - Recreation Field	19.00
Platten & Anthony DIY	Padlocks & security chains	33.10
Anglo Scottish Equipment Ltd	Container Hire recreation field	180.23
Special Branch Tree Surgery	Tree Surgery - Buttlands	750.00
Ofcom	Flood Warden Radio Licence	75.00
Zurich Management Services	LCAS Membersip	114.00
Action for Children	Grant	400.00
Wells Lighting Fund	Grant	500.00
Wells United Charities	Grant	500.00
Wells Tennis Club	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Primary School PFA	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Team Guella	Charity Car Parking	553.81
Wells Community Hospital	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Elsmith Bowls Club	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Methodist Church	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Twinning Association	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Sailing Club	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Polka Day Care	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Friends of the Beach Road Playing Field	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells NCI (Coastwatch)	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells RNLI Lifeboat Guild	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells & District Lions Club	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells United Charities	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Maltings Trust	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Heritage House Day Care	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Congregational Church	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Homes for Wells	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells in Bloom	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Town Bowls Club	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Health Centre PPG	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
St Nicholas Church (Wells PCC)	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Harbour Maritime Trust	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Wells Croquet Club	Charity Car Parking	553.81
BMACCS	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Alderman Peel High School	Charity Car Parking	1107.62
Holkham Enterprises	car park share	10010.50
Terry Corbishley	Litter Picking	207.80
Mick Chestney	Litter Picking	297.00
Special Branch Tree Surgery	Tree Surgery - Churchyard/Polka	1800.00

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

11) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 3 November 2014

Meeting ends 2110



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