



## WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

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

2019/10

# MINUTES

### Town Council Meeting held on 1 April 2019 at 1908 at The Methodist Room

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

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Press (The Quay) & 6 Members of the Public

1) Public Forum

A resident reported concerns regarding a concrete path protruding onto the pavement along Mill Road and rubbish in the dyke by the Skatepark. Another resident asked what was happening about the road closure on Jolly Sailors yard.

2) Apologies Gary Anthony, Campbell MacCallum & Vincent Fitzpatrick

Councillors asked that thanks and best wishes should be recorded for Gary Anthony, Rodney Crafer, Tony Ford and Campbell MacCallum who are standing down at the election. It was agreed that all of them had contributed greatly to the life of the Town.

3) To receive Declarations of Interest None

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2019. Agreed and Signed

5) To receive a presentation from Peter Terrington about proposals to renovate St Nicolas' Church. Peter explained that £300,000 of repair work was need on the Church and that a number of fund raising events were planned including an event on the 4<sup>th</sup> August to commemorate the 1879 fire and subsequent rebuilding of the church. A full transcript of what Peter said is available on the website.

6) To consider an amendment to the 2019/2020 budget, to make more funds available to enable the main gates to St Nicholas' Church to be renovated before the planned commemoration of the 1879 fire which is to be held in August 2019.

Resolved – It was resolved to increase the budget by £2200 to enable the gates to be renovated.



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7) To receive representation from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, that they be allowed to represent the Town Council when responding to North Norfolk District Council's consultation, regarding the first draft of the new Local Plan which takes place between 7th May to 19th June. Resolved – that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group be allowed to co-ordinate the Town Council's response to the consultation of the draft Local Plan.

8) Reports

a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

No report was received

c) North Norfolk District Council

A report was received from Councillor Fitzpatrick; it is available on the website.

b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Dr Marie Strong

Councillor Strong informed the council of the following:

- That the proposed reuse centre at the recycling centre was progressing.
- That permission was to be given for Jolly Sailor's Yard to remain closed until first the week in July together with scaffolding to be erected on the East Quay to allow completion of the development there as soon as possible. From Good Friday the builders would not be allowed to park on East Quay and access along East Quay was to be maintained at all times. If the road was closure at any time for more than a 15 minutes highways were to be informed and they would take action (councillors asked for a direct contact number for the relevant highways officials; *Clerk to write*).
- PC asked how the changes to the parking restrictions were progressing; Marie asked for a written request; *Clerk to write*.

d) Town Clerk's Report

A report was submitted and is available on the website.

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

JE (Buttlands, Staithe Street and Noticeboard) JE reported some problems with A boards obstructing the carriageway in Staithe Street. He also queried when the grass was to be cut on the Buttlands (*Clerk advised the contract does not start until 1<sup>st</sup> April*).

TF (Services) TF advised there had been problems with the bins not being emptied on the Quay.

RA (Tourism & Neighbourhood Plan) the new Town Guides will be ready by next week.



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### 9) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

#### **Payments during the month**

Barclays Bank	Bank Charges	19.76
Westcotec Ltd	Street Light Column Sleeves and Bracket	580.80
Westcotec Ltd	Street Lighting Installation - High Street	597.60
Westcotec Ltd	Street Lighting LED Installation	25143.60
Oakfield Arboricultural Services Ltd	Tree Survey - Buttlands/Congregational	300.00
Total Gas & Power	Street Lighting	670.91
Clerk to the Council	Clerk's salary deposit	1000.00

#### **Payments I April 2019**

Clerk to the Council	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	226.55
Westcotec Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	283.04
Wells Community Hospital	Rent	262.50
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE 4th quarter	1821.09
Avena Environmental Limited	Confidential Waste Disposal	86.26
Viking	Office Supplies	338.93
Norfolk Assoc of local Councils	Conference Fee	55.00
Black Dog Computer Services Ltd	Computer Repair	62.80
Masbo Cleaning Services	Cleaning Bus Shelter	100.00
Environment Agency	General Drainage Charge Allotments	22.43
Contractor	Bollards	220.00
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	490.87
Platten & Anthony	Allotment Gate Padlock	19.95
P Snell	Tap Repair Allotments	41.00
Staff	Litter Picking	281.88

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

### 10) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 13 May 2019.

Meeting ends 2054



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