



WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

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

2020/01

MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 6 January 2020 at 1902 at the Methodist Room

Those Present: Mike Gates (Chairman), Janet Angles, Roger Arguile, Mel Catton, Pauline Catton, Jessica Curtis, Lindsay Dew, Ray Hewitt, Peter Rainsford, Joyce Trett & Guy Warren

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Peter Fisher, Press (The Quay) & 3 Members of the Public

1) Public Forum

A representative of the flood warden team advised there would be some important information in the next Quay Magazine about significantly high predicted spring tides this year. A resident expressed concerns about a water leak on Maryland.

2) Apologies - Joe Ellison

3) To receive Declarations of Interest and consider any requests for Dispensations - None

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2019 - Agreed and signed.

5) To discuss the Local Government Boundary Commission electoral review of division boundaries for Norfolk County Council and consider any response the Town Council wants to make to the consultation.

County Councillor Marie Strong expressed concern about some proposals which would result in Wells being part of a larger inland division together with only Holkham on the coastal plan. She thought it more important that Wells remains in a division with other neighbouring coastal parishes which share common concerns. District Councillor Peter Fisher advised that NNDC had put forward a proposal recommending that the Wells division include all of the coastal parishes as far as Weybourne.

Resolved – to postpone any decision until the February Town Council meeting to enable the proposals made by NCC and NNDC to be considered.

6) To consider correspondence received from the Staithe Place Residents Association regarding problems caused by coaches parked on Market Lane.

JC declared an interest.

The councillors and Marie Strong discussed the problem which concerns coaches left in situ all day on Market Lane obstructing driveways belonging to residents on Staithe Place.

Resolved - It was agreed that Councillor Mel Catton would speak with the head teacher at the High School and report back at the next meeting in February.



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7) Reports

a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

No report was received.

b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Dr Marie Strong

Councillor Strong had nothing further to report.

c) North Norfolk District Council

Councillor Peter Fisher reported that the proposed plans for the Stearmans Yard toilets will be considered by NNDC's Development Committee.

LD asked about street cleaning and the Clerk advised that planning notices were not being removed after the end of the consultation period.

d) Town Clerk's Report

The Clerk advised:

- That a reported obstruction of the pavement on Mill Road had been investigated by the Highways Authority and deemed not to meet their intervention criteria.
- That a no entry bollard in Staithe Street had been damaged and might require replacement (MC said he would see if the bollard was repairable).

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

RH (Children's Playing field) RH raised concerns that the impact of any future coastal flooding could be exacerbated by the deliberate flooding of the low lying land between Wells and Burnham Overy Staithe which forms part of the Holkham National Reserve.

MC (Traffic and Parking/Harbour Liaison) MC advised there would be some interesting information in the next issue of Wells Harbour's Haven Magazine about future coastal flooding issues. He also advised that the 30mph signs on Freeman Street were badly faded and needed replacing.

8) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

Payments during the month

Barclay Bank	Bank Charges - monthly	12.75
Anglian Water	East End Allotments	51.58
Anglian Water	West End Allotments	106.79
Anglian Water	Cemetery	16.18
NNDC	Rates - Office	53.00
Total Gas & Power	Street Lighting electricity	224.87
Clerk to the Council	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00



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Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement Continued

Payments 6 January 2020

Contractor	Daily Bollard Placement	220.00
Clerk to the Council	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	220.14
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	499.89
Westcotec Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	77.90
Veolia Environmental Services	Waste collection Nov	98.76
Veolia Environmental Services	Waste collection Dec	97.98
Avena Environmental Limited	Confidential Waste	94.87
Wells Community Hospital	Office Rent December	262.50
HM Revenue and Custom	PAYE 3rd Quarter	1808.46
Media8	Wells Town Guide Print	2699.00
Killgerm Chemicals Ltd	Rodenticide	119.52
P J & B Jones Ltd	Ground Maintenance	1365.00
Wells-next-the-Sea Men's Shed	Baffles for flood warden generator	25.00
Staff	Litter Picking	283.25

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

- 9) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 3 February 2020.

Meeting ends 2019



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