## MINUTES

## Town Council Meeting held at the Clore Room, Wells Maltings on $6^{\text {th }}$ December 2021 at 1907 hrs.

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

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Peter Fisher, and 5 Member of the Public

1) Deputy Lord Lieutenant Nigel Savory will present a plaque to the Town Council in recognition of the work of communities across the county, which pulled together in the challenging times of the pandemic.
The plaque was presented to the Mayor, Mike Gates.
2) Public Forum

PR tabled a document and asked the councillors to consider the need for a Housing Portfolio. It was agreed this should be on the agenda at the next meeting.
3) Reports
a) Police - no report received.
b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Michael Dalby No report received.
c) North Norfolk District Councillor Peter Fisher A report was received and is available on the website.
4) Apologies -Ray Hewitt
5) To receive Declarations of Interest and consider any requests for Dispensations.
None
6) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2021.

Approved and signed.
7) To consider an approach from a member of the public about the possible recognition of those in the community that deserve some acknowledgement for the work they do or have done for the community.
Resolved - The Town Council were supportive of the idea and looks forward to receiving a full proposal in the future.

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10) To discuss the sign displayed on Mill Road concerning Town Council land (this item was brought forward on the agenda).
The person responsible for the sign was present at the meeting and offered to remove it.
8) To consider what needs to be done with the wooden noticeboard in Staithe Street. Resolved - To defer any decision until two quotes for a new map had been obtained.
9) To consider the offer made by Norfolk County Council Highways, to complete a full parking management feasibility study for Wells, at a cost to the town council of about £2000-£2500.
Resolved - To invite the relevant officer from NCC to meet with the Traffic Management Working Party to discuss further.
11) To discuss the problem of vehicles parking on the grass verges near the town sign on Mill Road.
Resolved - To write to NCC to ascertain what can be done to stop the cars from parking.
12) Reports
a) Town Clerk

The Clerk reported as follows: a) The Community Hospital was looking for some land for a community garden project. b) The new bollards had now been installed on the Buttlands. C) No one has yet come forward to take on the job of placing out the Staithe Street Bollards when the current operative retires.
b) Portfolio Holders/Committees

RA (Tourism and Neighbourhood Plan) RA reported that the Neighbourhood Plan working party was still reviewing the information from the consultation, policies were under consideration and the call for sites assessment by AECOM had been sent back for further work. The working party would also be meeting with Holkham Estate.
MC (Traffic and Parking) MC reported that there had been a site meeting with Duncan Baker about the bus parking on Market Lane and a further site meeting with all parties including NCC Highways was scheduled for January.
13) Financial Report \& Accounts for Settlement

The financial reports were circulated and agreed. These can be viewed at
Appendix A and on the website
Resolved - Accounts agreed, accepted and signed.
14) To confirm Date of Next Meetings - Confirmed as Monday $10^{\text {th }}$ January 2022.

Meeting ends 2107hrs.

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