



MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 8 January 2018 at 1906 at The Methodist Room

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

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Press (The Quay) & 13 Members of the Public.

1) Public Forum

A representative from the Coastal Communities Team spoke about their work and asked the Town Council for their support. A member of the Norfolk Local Access Forum asked the Councillors to give their support to item 6 on the agenda. A member of the public asked about the ongoing consultation with NNDC concerning the redevelopment of the Beach Road Toilet Site (*RA advised the working party would be reporting back in February*).

2) Apologies Pc Jason Pegden, Simon Hester & Vincent Fitzpatrick

3) To receive Declarations of Interest None

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2017. Agreed and Signed

5) To consider a report from the Traffic Management Working Party regarding recommendations for changes and improvements to parking restrictions within the town.

CM introduced the report. There was representation from residents from the East Quay who were against changes to the seasonal restrictions and residents from The Glebe who supported changes to the seasonal restrictions. The Clerk advised there was an error in the report regarding the northern end of Polka Road.

Resolved – To adopt the recommendations of the report with the necessary amendment concerning Polka Road.

The report will now be passed via County Councillor Dr Marie Strong to the Norfolk County Council Highways Authority for their consideration. A copy is available on the Town Council Website.

6) To consider a suggestion from a resident that the Town Council give consideration to the possibility of registering as Public Rights of Way some tracks and pathways that are regularly used but do not appear on the definitive map

Resolved – To support the proposal

There will be more information in The Quay Magazine asking for suggestions about which tracks and pathways should be registered.



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7) To consider correspondence from NNDC asking if the Town Council wants to take responsibility for the ground maintenance of various open spaces owned by the district in Wells.
Resolved – To decline the request with the exception of Tug Boat Yard where some clarity is needed as the Town Council’s contractor has been cutting the grass there for many years.

8) To consider a request for funding to help pay for the refurbishment of an old milepost on the Warham Road.
Resolved – To grant £100.

9) Reports

a) Safer Neighbourhood Team

Pc Pegden supplied a report which is available on the website.

b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Dr Marie Strong

Marie discussed the dangerous junction at Fakenham’s Cherry Tree Corner, mobile telephone coverage, the recycling centres budget consultation, and a computer skills course at the library.

c) North Norfolk District Council

Vincent Fitzpatrick supplied a report which is available on the website.

d) Town Clerk’s Report

A report is appended and is available on the website. As a result of the report it was resolved that the council are not at this time interested in pursuing a Neighbourhood Plan, that the Clerk would ascertain if a resident on the High Street would allow a street lamp to be reinstalled on the side of their property and for the council to become members of the Norfolk Playing Field Association. In addition the Clerk advised that Cromer Town Council together with the Norfolk Association of Local Councils is to submit to government a proposal under the Sustainable Communities Act regarding the second homes council tax. The Clerk also advised that an enquiry had been received from NNDC regarding the horse paddock land on Two Furlong Hill asking if the land is still available for potential development land. It was resolved to inform NNDC that the land was not available for development.

e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

JE (Buttlands/Noticeboard/Staithe Street) There are no problems on Staithe Street.

RH (Children’s playground) There is a surface water problem on the playground that needs specialist advice (*Clerk to arrange*).

PC (Dementia Friendly Community, Fairtrade & Coastal Communities) PC read out some information from the Coastal Communities Team with regard the Destination Management Plan. There is a meeting of the Wells Dementia Friendly Group at 2pm on 2nd February at the Wells Community Hospital

TF (Services) There is a defective light on Tug Boat Yard.

GW (Churchyard & Polka Cemetery) There has recently been a site visit to assess the trees for tree surgery. The Town Sign is in need of attention.



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10) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

Payments during the month

Total Gas & Power	Street Lighting electricity	594.03
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Anglian Water	East End Allotments	252.81
Clerk to the Council	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00
Madasafish	Email service	1.69

Payments 8 January 2018

Contractor	Daily Bollard Placement	220.00
Clerk to the Council	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	293.07
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	482.04
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	522.12
Veolia Environmental Services	Waste collection	112.88
Avena Environmental Limited	Confidential Waste	75.00
Wells Community Hospital	Office Rent December	250.00
HM Revenue and Custom	PAYE 3rd Quarter	1838.13
Hayes & Storr	Land Registry Fees (Buttlands)	510.00
Wells Maltings Trust	Room Hire (Flood Wardens)	25.02
Staff	Litter Picking	246.40

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

11) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 5 February 2018.

Meeting ends 2110

