

HOCKWOLD-CUM-WILTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE METHODIST SCHOOLROOM
ON TUESDAY 10 MARCH 2015 AT 7.00 pm

Present: Mrs P Raburn) Chairman
Mrs D Barrett) Hockwold-cum-Wilton Parish Council
Mr T Gossage)
Mrs T Sismey)
Mrs L Arbour)
Miss R Johns)
Mr S Turner)
Squadron Leader Jerry Neild.

Apologies for absence had been received from Parish Councillor Mrs M Eade and Mr M Denney.

1. **MINUTES**

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 10 February 2015 previously circulated be approved and signed by the Chairman. This was proposed by Miss R Johns and seconded by Mr T Gossage.

2. **MATTERS ARISING AND CORRESPONDENCE**

NALC Weekly Updates: All the Councillors have received copies of these weekly updates, and there were no queries about them.

Moore Drove East: The clerk has spoken to Mr Matthew Cleary who is dealing with this case, he visited the site yesterday. With regard to the removal of trees, they were not protected, and who owned them? This would be a civil matter between the owner of the land and the person who cut the trees down. The building was locked up when Mr Cleary visited and no one was about, so there was no proof that anyone was living there. New trees had been planted around the site.

Village Gravel/Sand Pit: The clerk reported that she has been in touch with Mr David Kingsnorth of the Forestry Commission who knows about the problem of the bikers in the forest and out gravel pit. Bikers caught in the forest are given a Section 59 if they are caught again in 12 months their bike could be taken away from them. The police have a unit on bikes, if someone dials 101 and reports trouble with bikers in the forest they will come out, and have caught a number of bikers as a result of this number being called.

Elizabeth Truss Monthly report for February 2015: Everyone has received a copy of this report,

Magpas – Helimedix: A letter has been received from this Charity asking for consideration regarding support for this charity. The clerk will keep the letter on file for next years consideration.

Spinal Injuries Association: This poster received recently has been displayed in the village magazine and put on the notice board, 'The Great British Fish & Chip Supper' on 15 May 2015.

Forest Heath & St Edmundsbury Joint Development: Notification has been received from West Suffolk Working Together of the Adoption of the Forest Heath & St Edmundsbury Joint Development Management policies local plan document on 24 and 27 February 2015. Copies of this document have been given to councillors.

Norfolk Minerals Site Specific Allocation Development Plan Document: Copies of this document have been given to councillors in which it says that no silica sand resource underlies the boundaries of your Parish Council Area.

Review of NCC's Committee System of Governance: Copies of this letter has been given to councillors.

Squadron Leader J Neild: Squadron Leader Neild informed the council that they plan to divert the Trench House Square in Feltwell for RAF Families, 10 to 15 Houses. As yet they have had no confirmation regarding the Red Arrows for the 4 July 2015.

Auditors: Notification has been received from Mazars LLP that they have been appointed Auditor to Hockwold-cum-Wilton Parish Council for the year 2014/15.

Training Update: A list of training updates regarding Elections Training and Cemetery management course has been received from NALC copies given to councillors.

Norfolk RCC: Notification has been received from Norfolk RCC that it has been formally agreed by the boards of NRCC and West Norfolk Voluntary and Community Action (WNVCA) that a merger of the two organisations will take place with effect from 1 April 2015.

Mr John Flack: Two letters have been received from parishioner Mr Flack the first regarding dog walkers using Mill Lane, which there is no problem with, what he does object to is the amount of dog mess left on the lane, and in certain cases those responsible whom put their waste in plastic bags and then dispose of it by throwing the bags in the verge or hedgerows of the Lane. Could a dog-waste bin be put up in Mill Lane.

Mr Flacks second letter regarding the bank just beyond his home at the top of Mill Lane, people seem to think this is a dumping ground for burning rubbish. In the past Mr Flack has planted shrubs and trees and bulbs to keep it looking attractive, but just before Xmas when he went to tidy up the ashes of a fire he found metal cans, metal frame of a baby seat and a dead Canadian goose. Could the Council consider letting him adopt the said bank area.

The clerk replied to these letters – regarding the dog waste, the council is aware of the problem but unfortunately we cannot have any more dog waste bins put up in the village, we are only allowed so many per capita of resident in the village. The Chairman will put about this matter in the village magazine. With regard to the bank beyond your home, the council was under the opinion that this land belonged to Mr Enefer, if it is not him do you know who does? Unfortunately the Council cannot give permission for you to adopt the bank as they do not know who owns the land.

Side Table: Clerks & Councils Direct - Issue No 98. Action Play & Leisure.

3. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS/PERMISSIONS/REFUSALS**

This planning application had been passed round to Councillors as they were due back to the Borough Council before our meeting:-

Ref: 15/00155/F

Name: Mr K Yogaraja
88 Main Street, Hockwold,

Location – Hockwold Village Stores, 88 Main Street, Hockwold.

Details – Construction of first floor to provide accommodation for the shop keeper, internal refurbishment and new shop front sign. The councillors, with the exception of one all objected to this application. The clerk typed out these views and emailed them to the planning officer Mrs H Morris.

Ref: 15/00236/F

Name: Mr B Hovell
148 Main Street
Hockwold, IP26 4NA

Location – Clearview, 148 Main Street, Hockwold

Details – Single storey front extension to dwelling

Hockwold Parish Council had no objections to this application, but pointed out that it has already been partly built.

Mrs Sismey said she feels that the councillors should all have a copy of everyone's views regarding the Hockwold Village Stores. The clerk explained that if we had kept them for the meeting, our views, if they differ to the planning views would be disregarded, unless we met their required date of the 4 March 2015. The clerk will e-mail the councillors copies of the views she sent to the Planning Department.

PERMISSIONS – 14/01644/f – Twelve Acre Farm, Moor Drove East. Erection of a general purpose agricultural building – Delegated Decision.

4, **BILLS OF ACCOUNTS**

Payments: 10.3.2015	K & M Lighting Services Ltd – Maintn. (Mar)	£ 70.55)	£141.10
	Replacement Cheque for Inv. 1709 (lost in post)	£ 70.55)	
	Mr Moore – Bus Shelter	£ 22.00	
	Mrs G M Taylor – Wages (Feb.)	£461.80	
	J. L. Landscape – Cross Hill	£ 66.00	
	BCKLWN – Dog Waste Bins	£216.00	
	Glasdon U.K. Ltd – Waste Bin Liner	£ 41.72	
16.3.2015	E-on – DD – Street Lighting (Feb.)	£135.41	

It was proposed by Mrs Sismey and seconded by Mrs Barrett that the above accounts are paid.

5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cowles Drove: Mr Gossage reported that there are some potholes appearing down Cowles Drove. The clerk will report these matters to the Highways Department.

Nursery Lane: Mrs Barrett reported that the drains and gullies down Nursery Lane and Church Lane need to be cleared out. The clerk will report these matters to the Parish Rangers.

6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the date for the next meeting of the Council will be on 14 April 2015 at 7.30 pm
As there was no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

Distribution:

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Mr M Peake & Mr A Lawrence District Councillors, Downham Market Police, RAF Lakenheath,
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