Present: Councillors of Hockwold cum Wilton Parish Council

Cllr Raburn, Cllr Randall, Cllr Johns, Cllr Turner, Cllr Sismey, Cllr Sullivan, Cllr Arbour.

Apologies from Cllr Gossage

Norfolk County Cllr M. Storey

Squadron Leader Neild

Parish Clerk Ms H. Cox

4 members of the public

**OPEN FORUM**

* + Chariman Raburn announced Cllr Southwell’s resignation.
  + Hockwold Hall Team came to introduce a fireworks expert to answer questions about future displays. The public will be notified 4 months in advance through social media and the village magazine and again closer to the date. A maximum of 3-4 displays a year.

1. **Minutes:**

* *Minutes for meeting held January 9th 2018, P*roposed by Cllr Johns, seconded by Cllr Randall. Agreed by all Councilors present.
* *Minutes for meeting held January 23rd 2018, P*roposed by Cllr Sismey. Seconded by Cllr Randall. Agreed by all Councilors present.

1. **Matters Arising and Correspondence:**
   1. RAF Lakenheath: Squadron Leader Neild gave an update. The air traffic is busier than it has been, with night flying resuming. The flying will slowly increase getting back to its normal amount after a quieter period.
   2. NALC and Community Action Norfolk updates: all Councilors have received all updates, no queries.
   3. Police update: all Councilors have received all updates, no queries.
   4. Village Hall and Noticeboard updates: Clerk informed the Parish Council that G. Mead would not be able to do the work on the noticeboard and the work would need to be advertised. The village Halls requirement for use on the noticeboard was read out. Cllr Arbour proposed we approve the request for the Village Hall to post 1x A4 sheet monthly and an additional A4 quarterly with no advertising of events allowed. Seconded by Cllr Sismey. Agreed by all councilors present.
   5. Parking notice update: Cllr Johns reported on the completed delivery of the parking flyers.
   6. Downham Market Police street briefings: Cllr Raburn proposed the Hockwold Parish Council host an evening street briefing. Seconded by Cllr Randall. Agreed by all present. Clerk to laisse with the Downham Police department.
   7. The Lode:
   * A request letter from C. Smith for permission to use the lode access to maintain property line was read out. Proposed to approve request by Cllr Sismey and seconded by Cllr Sullivan. Agreed by all present.
   * Maintenance contract will be open to tender.
   1. Time changes for March meeting: March meeting will start at 7pm rather than the usual 7:30pm. The AGM will start directly after at 8pm.
   2. Parish Council surgeries: It was proposed by Cllr Sismey to continue with surgeries for six months with use of a board to advertise in front of the hall and an early start time of 9am to 10:30am. Seconded by Cllr Randall. 5 votes to pass. 1 votes to decline. Proposal passed.
   3. Hockwold Hall Fireworks: The public will be notified 4 months in advance through social media and the village magazine and again closer to the date. A maximum of 3-4 displays a year.
2. **Planning**

* 18/00155/F Hockwold cum Wilton Meadow view 103 South Street IP264JG – erect a 3 meter high boundary fence approx. 35 feet long. Proposed to reject Cllr Raburn. Seconded by Cllr Johns. The Parish Council voted to REJECT the application with a number of concerns listed below.
* The volume of traffic moving along Station Road with already impaired vision. This proposed fence will further restrict the vision of people trying to enter Station Rd.
* It is already a fairly blind corner with the end of South Street entering Station Rd at a strange angle to be able to see properly to enter Station Rd.
* 18/00040/O Hockwold cum Wilton Linden House 99 Main Street IP”^$LW - Erection of 2 storey 3. Proposed to reject by Cllr Sismey and seconded by Cllr Arbour. The Parish Council voted to REJECT the application with a number of concerns listed below.
* The site would be overdeveloped.
* The new house would be only overlooking the neighbours, and blocking their sunlight.
* The Linden House has had to put in a septic treatment system, concerns over what and where the new house have theirs?
* The access to the site would make that area of Main Street more dangerous. It is already a very congested area of the village.
* It will impact the road safety of that area especially during the drop off and pick up times at school.

**Permissions/Refusals/withdrawals: Read out**

* 1. NONE

1. **Bill of Accounts**

**Payments: 13.02.18**

K&M Lighting Services (invoice ) £76.03

Bus Shelter Cleaning £25.00

Ms. H. Cox --

* CiLCA Training (3 of 12) £0.00
* WIFI/Broadband £9.00
* Wages £577.00
  + 34 hours normal
  + 16 transparency IMP

**TOTAL £586.00**

Eon- Direct Debit – Street Lighting £147.98

**Total Payments £835.01**

**Income:**

**Total Income £0**

1. Accounts as above agreed by all. Proposed by Cllr. Arbour and seconded by Cllr. Sismey.

**County Councillor M. Storey:** County Councillor M. Storey gave an update and answered questions on the changes to the planning application process, funding for Norfolk police and budget increases. For more information visit  [https://www.norfolk.gov.uk](https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/) and [www.west-norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/).

1. **Items for the next agenda/other business**

* Three signs as you enter the village from Weeting still broken
* Potholes up Mill Lane outside of #8
* Station Rd speed Limit should be changed on Station Rd
* The sign for Nursery Rd is covered by overgrown hedge
* Mill Drift is in disrepair. Sugar beet mess all along the drift.
* Hockwold Hall invite to be put on next agenda
* Village Hall heating isn’t working properly
* Faulkner’s wall is still crumbling and in need of repair.

1. **Next Meeting**
   1. 13th March 2018 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Main Street, Hockwold.
   2. 13th March 2018 at 8:00pm APM directly after the ordinary meeting

Distribution:

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