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MINUTES OF THE SEDGEFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE 16th
March 2016 AT THE VILLAGE HALL

WELCOME Ms Crump welcomed all in attendance to the meeting.

APOLOGIES Borough Councillors Ian Devereux and Avril Wright.

1. PRESENT Mr Head, Mr Frost, Mrs Falkner, Ms Crump Mr Curry, Mr Clark and Mrs Hipkin. County Councillor Michael Chenery (arrived at 7.35pm)

PUBLIC No members of the public present,

OPEN MEETING No matters to discuss

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS. None

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 17th February 2016 were approved. Proposed Mrs Hipkin seconded Mr Clark and carried.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 War memorial. The clerk asked if a date could be set for the work on the memorial. It was agreed Mr Frost would co-ordinate a date and let all those that had offered to help know in order to get the equipment for the job.

3.2 Anglian Water. The clerk has not received a reply from the Environment agency requesting a meeting.

3.3 Website advertising. One new advert has been added to the site. Some amendments are still waiting to go live.

3.4 Permissive path. The clerk has received an agreement to sign, permitting residents to walk the path for the coming season. The agreement was signed and the information will go to the newsletter.

3.5 Dog fouling. A joint article from the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee was put in the newsletter. The Borough Council have suggested that spraying the fouling with a colour spray can help to highlight the issue with the public. If the dogs are known then they should be reported. The chair asked council to consider ways in which this matter can be resolved in the future.

3.6 Village Pound Cutting. The clerk had a quote from our contractor of £15 per cut for the pound area. Mr Curry will speak to the resident to see if he is intending to carry on cutting or whether the clerk needs to ask the contractor.

3.7 Norfolk Coast partnership Vote. The clerk had received a request that we do vote for 5 candidates not just the one as we did last meeting. It was agreed the council would just have the one vote.

4. Standing Agenda Items

4.1 Police matters. Nothing to report

4.2 Meetings Attended- the clerk attended the local SNAP meeting last night. The main theme was of speeding and areas around schools. Dog fouling was again an issue. There were no items chosen as a special focus as speeding does not fall into this category. Mr Clark attended the planning meeting, he went through the key points of the meeting which included the number of units that need to be built, starter homes and the community infrastructure levy. He touched on E Planning but this was an agenda item for later in the meeting. The clerk agreed to send out the presentation again to all councillors.

4.3 Village Hall Matters. Mr Frost reported that the post office is returning to the hall on April 13th 10-12 noon, it will be there every Wednesday at the same time. The committee have ordered new tables for the hall. The St George's event has been cancelled. The committee are looking to appoint a new caretaker, this has been advertised in the newsletter. Mr Frost asked about the log books for the defibrillator, it was suggested he contact Mrs Barber as the council do not hold them.

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The chair said that she had now received a copy of the revised agreement between the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council. She read out the key points and explained the background. It was proposed Mr Frost and seconded Mr Clark the new agreement was signed, this was carried.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

Plans for approval:

5.1 None. The clerk had been notified of a change to plans for the Old Rectory and the moving of a garage door but no plans have been received.

Planning Outcomes. Black Horse Bungalow outline planning for three dwellings; agreed by the Borough Council

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR PARISH DECISION

6.1 Community Plans. Mrs Falkner apologised and said that papers would be distributed prior to the next meeting.

6.2 Meeting with the Environment Agency, no date has been agreed.

6.3 Land Registry of further areas of Parish Land. The solicitor has replied to the clerk re other areas of the Parish to register. She does not know how the council proposes to claim ownership of the other sites as we do not hold deeds. She would need to see title documents or other evidence of ownership before we could proceed. The solicitor did discover that the Church registered the cemetery in 2010 and is registered as the land owner on the land registry. The chair has spoken to the Church wardens and a meeting is proposed to discuss the matter and how we move forward in the future. Mr Clark was able to give the chair documents to support the ownership of the Washpit and the War Memorial site. Concern was raised about the ownership of the road at the Washpit and the white post that has been put at the edge. Mr Frost recalls that it was just a path in the past. The chair will speak to residents to see what information she can get about ownership. The council hope to move forward and register the Washpit and the Memorial site.

6.4 Brackets for speed signs. The clerk received a quote for new brackets from Westcotec of £50 each. The chair and vice chair had looked at suitable locations for the sign at the Docking end of the village. They have identified two new sites that would require posts as well as brackets. It was agreed that Mr Clark and Mr Curry should view the sites prior to seeking permission from Highways.

6.5 Location of new notice board. After a short discussion and clarification it was decided that the clerk would seek permission to have the new board close to the footpath map on the Heacham Road. The clerk will determine the landowner and seek permission.

6.6 Grazing Agreement. Two residents have signed their copies and paid the fee. The council signed their copies and these were returned to the residents.

6.7 Feedback from discussions with Hastoe residents. Mr Clark had spoken to residents prior to the council possibly engaging with Hastoe in future developments in the village. Residents said they loved the area and living in the houses. They said that the company are very tight on their terms and conditions but this was accepted. One resident has had a problem with the boiler that is very technical and parts are very expensive. Usually there is a good response to things when they go wrong. Generally residents are happy with their properties and the company.

6.8 E Planning. The Borough Council is imposing E planning on councils from the 1st June 2016. Paper copies of plan can still be obtained until January 2107 but at a cost to the council. The council are very unhappy that they will not be able to look at larger scale plans than A4 printed from the internet. Mrs Falkner said she would look into whether she could get a copy of the plans printed to bring to a planning meeting. The clerk was asked to write to the Borough Council to share the council's frustration at this initiative.

7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR BUSINESS. The councillor confirmed that the Docking Recycling Centre will re-open on 1st May. He said that the Heacham site should go back to full time from July. The councillor left the meeting at this point.

8. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR BUSINESS. No councillor was present.

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9. THIS MONTHS BILLS FOR APPROVAL AND PAYMENT.

9.1 Financial Statement. The clerk had circulated the statement for March. There were no questions.

9.2 Bills

Name	Business	Net	VAT	Gross	Non Recoverable VAT
Eon (DD)	Electricity	£15.06	£ 0.75	£ 15.81	None
K and M(SO)	St Light Maint	£65.10	£13.02	£ 78.12	None
BCKLWN	Dog bins	£268.32	£ 53.66	£321.98	None
CGM (SO)	Grounds	£207.95	£41.59	£249.54	None
Village hall	Rent	£124.00	£ 0.00	£124.00	None
Village hall	Lease transfer	£3500.00	£ 0.00	£3500.00	None
Gopak	Tables	£948.17	£189.63	£1137.80	None
Mr Ward	Expenses book	£96.58	£ 0.00	£ 98.65	None
Sandringham	Iron craft	£200.00	£ 0.00	£200.00	None
Hipkin Builders		£40.56	£ 8.11	£ 48.67	None

Proposed by Mr Head seconded by Mr Clark and carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Coins for the Queen's birthday. It was agreed the clerk could purchase coins for those at the School and Pre School. He will try and do a bulk order if Docking are going to do the same for their children.

10.2 NALC Service leaflet.

10.3 Norfolk Planning Applications consultation draft.

10.4 Changes to bank details.

Others since publication of agenda

10.5 Community Infrastructure levy Consultation.

10.6 Sally Collier re trees on Buck Hill. It was agreed the clerk will try to confirm who owns the trees and the verge at this point in the village. Concern was raised about heavy traffic moving quickly at the moment and damaging the verges. The clerk will speak to the residents where the development is ongoing. Clerk will reply to Mrs Collier.

10.7 Sports Council AGM

10.8 Cemetery rates and a review notice. Content noted and the clerk has registered an email for future updates.

11. OTHER MATTERS. Ivy is growing over the wall at Woodpecker Cottage. The clerk will ask the owners to cut it back. It was agreed that Mr Clark, Mrs Hipkin and Mrs Falkner would prepare the council's presentation to a future planning board re the Poultry Units. Mrs Falkner said that the Parish Council should keep themselves informed about the school and the move to Academy Status that is being imposed by the Government. The clerk updated the meeting on the current situation. Possible light out in Holly Hill, councillors to check and inform the clerk.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 20th April 2016 at 7pm. Next scheduled planning meeting if required is the 4th April.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm