

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

WELCOME Ms Crump welcomed all in attendance to the meeting.

APOLOGIES Councillors Head, Hipkin, Falkner and Borough Councillor Ian Devereux.

PRESENT Ms Crump, Mr Curry, Mr Frost, Mr Clark and Borough Councillor Avril Wright (left at 7.55pm). County Councillor Michael Chenery (left at 7.55pm).

NOT PRESENT none

PUBLIC 1 member of the public present for the meeting.

OPEN MEETING Mr Hipkin asked about the straw bales at the cemetery. The clerk explained he thinks they have been placed there as cars had been parked on the field for a funeral. The land is now owned by Mr Harold.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS. Mr Clark 6.3 Paddock Docking Road Update prejudicial interest. Mr Frost 6.4 and 9.2 prejudicial interest.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

Minutes of the general meeting on the 18th October were proposed Mr Frost seconded Mr Curry and carried. Minutes of the planning meeting of the 7th November were proposed by Mr Clark seconded by Mr Curry and carried.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Deeds. The clerk has written to Barclays bank but to date has not had a reply.

3.2 Anglian Water. Mr Ramsey has passed some information to Mr Woolley but as yet this has not been seen by the Parish Council. Matter on going.

3.3 Speed Signs. The clerk has had further email correspondence on the matter. There appears to be no financial support for the Parish at this time. The cost to put three signs in place would be in the region of £10,500. With the grant, if successful, it would cost the parish £5250. The County Councillor suggested that the clerk pass the emails to Tom McCabe and Henry Bellingham as they had been present in the village when speeding issues were discussed earlier in the year.

3.4 Meeting Police and Crime Commissioner. The clerk has still not received a reply to emails. Councillor Wright said she would follow this up for the council.

3.5 Cemetery Path. The clerk had contacted two contacts but they have not come back to him. The clerk will continue to try and get a price for the work.

3.6 Hedges Fring Lane. The chair reported that the hedges have now been cut.

3.7 Street Cleaning Church Lane. This work has not yet been done.

3.8 New Village Street Path Map. The chair thanked Mr Clark for making the frame and putting the new map next to the Parish Council notice board.

3.9 Conifer Lodge. The chair informed the meeting the council did not object to the gradient of the roadway on the new development but still considers the density is too high and would be better with two properties or three smaller properties.

4. Standing Agenda Items

4.1 Police matters. No local matters have been highlighted by the police in their emails or messages.

4.2 Meetings Attended- The chair reported on the NALC meeting she had attended. She found the meeting very helpful and she made some good contacts, she had emailed information to all councillors. One matter to consider for the future is that nearby residents do not now get notified about planning applications and this could be something the Parish could do to ensure everyone has the opportunity to comment.

4.3 Village Hall Matters, Mr Frost informed the meeting that the football shelter/dug out has been repaired and Mr Wooley has cleared the ivy and repaired the roof. The last play production was very good and made a profit for the hall. There is a 40's night on the 9th

December, cost £15 including supper. A new cleaner/caretaker has been appointed. The hedge on the south side of the play area will be cut.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Plans for approval: None

Planning Outcomes agreed by the Borough Council. None

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR PARISH DECISION

6.1 Neighbourhood and Community Plan Update. The chair said she had spoken to several people at the NALC conference and had gained some useful information. She and the vice chair attended the exhibition at Hunstanton. They had met a consultant named Richard High who had given them very good information about the use of consultancy in drawing up a plan. Mr High has worked on several plans as a consultant and he has been part of the Verification Team who consider plans. The chair said she intends to try to obtain grant funding and with council permission, seek to get money for meeting room costs and some consultancy work. The council supported the chair with applying for a grant for this work. The chair informed the meeting that a further meeting will be held in early December.

6.2 Cemetery Land Registry Update. The clerk reported that the documents have gone to the Diocesan Office but as yet they have not responded.

6.3 Paddock Docking Road Update. The chair had circulated an email confirming a meeting on the 18th November at 6pm with all parties attending. The clerk will book the village hall meeting room.

6.4 Grass cutting, War Memorial. It was agreed that Mr Frost be paid £160 this year for the work on the memorial site.

6.5 Removal of Phone Box. Mr Curry explained the evacuation procedure for the pre-school that relies on the phone to contact parents. The chair said that residents had commented that if 1 call is made and saves a life it should stay. The clerk will object to the removal of the phone box based on the two comments. He will advise the pre-school chair of BT's intention to remove the box.

7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR BUSINESS. The councillor informed the meeting that 2 big votes are coming up re devolution, one at Borough level and the other at County next week. He advised the council to email other councillors re the speed signs, the clerk will forward these on.

8. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR BUSINESS. Mrs Wright praised Mr Clark for the way he spoke at the Planning Board Meeting re the Cow Shed application. No decision has yet been taken by the Environment Agency on the Poultry Farm. The chair said that viewing planning applications is now very difficult with the quality you can get on a computer screen or sheet of printed paper. She asked if the Borough could set some standards to ensure all plans are submitted in the same format. Mrs Wright said she would take this back to planning. The chair passed on a parishioner's comments about bins being left on footpaths. Mrs Wright said this has been an issue she has raised before but will report it back again.

9. THIS MONTHS BILLS FOR APPROVAL AND PAYMENT.

9.1 Financial Statement. The clerk had circulated statements for November. There were no questions.

9.2 Bills

Name	Business	Net	VAT	Gross	Non Recoverable VAT
Eon (DD)	Electricity	£ 18.70	£ 0.94	£ 19.64	None
K and M(SO)	St Light Maint	£ 65.10	£13.02	£ 78.12	None
CGM (SO)	Grounds	£ 207.95	£41.59	£249.54	None
CGM Cheque	Grounds	£ 48.75	£ 9.75	£ 58.50	None
NCC	Copy fees	£ 21.31	£ 0.00	£ 21.31	None
Mr Frost	Memorial fees	£160.00	£0.00	£ 160.00	None
British Legion	Wreath	£ 25.00	£0.00	£ 25.00	None

Proposed Mr Clark seconded Mr Curry and passed.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 NALC agenda for AGM 26th November

10.2 New House name Ladywell Lodge Church Lane.

10.3 Borough Council sites for future development. It was agreed the neighbourhood plan needs to be in place to determine future development.

10.4 NCC information about vulnerable people this winter.

10.5 Mayors award for community workers

10.6 NCC overnight road closures of A149 at Heacham.

10.7 Community transport poster, clerk to put on board.

10.8 NALC Precept Consultation the chair said the date for this had now passed but it was agreed to email Henry Bellingham telling him the council's objection to forcing a referendum if parish councils go over a 2% rise in precept.

11. OTHER MATTERS. The clerk noted the new signage for the Peddar's Way. Other councillors agreed the signage is not good and could cause confusion to walkers. The clerk will contact Norfolk Trails to see if they authorised the signs.

Concern was expressed about the condition of the Docking Road path following recent action by farm machinery. Mr Clark has taken photographs to monitor the situation. The clerk will write to Highways to try and get some repairs to the path. Mr Curry reported garden waste had been dumped on Trenoworths Lane. The clerk will inform the fly tipping team at the Borough Council. The clerk noted that the rangers need to be asked to trim the nettles on the path near Wethered Manor and clear the leaves.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 21st December 2016.

Next scheduled planning meeting if required is the 5th December if required.

The meeting closed at 08.59pm