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**MINUTES OF THE SEDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE
19th JULY 2017 AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

1. Welcome Ms Crump welcomed all in attendance to the meeting.

Public Session. No matters raised

Apologies Accepted Borough Councillor Mrs Wright and Parish Councillor Mrs Hipkin

Present Mr Curry, Mr Frost, Ms Crump, Mr Head, Mr Clark, Mrs Falkner, County Councillor Michael of Chenery and Borough Councillor Ian Devereaux.

Declaration of interests. Mr Clark declared a prejudicial interest in item 10.2.

Public None present.

2. Minutes for approval. Minutes of the 21st June General Meeting were proposed by Mr Curry, seconded Mr Clark and carried, after one addition had been made to the draft.

3. Matters Arising.

3.1 Anglia Water river flow. No new information

3.2 Lamp Docking Road. The lamp has now been replaced. The account is to be paid tonight. The invoice has gone to the insurance company who have agreed to issue a BACS payment of £377.60.

3.3 Transport for Children to 6th Form. The chair reported that she attended a recent Community Transport Meeting. They have revised their timetable for the Docking service to include a pickup at Sedgford at approximately 7.30 and two return services to accommodate children going to school in King's Lynn. There is still a cost issue for some parents despite a grant being available from Norfolk County Council. It was suggested that the Mire Close Charity should be approached to see if they could help families with this matter. The clerk will discuss at the next Mire Close meeting. **Action Clerk**

3.4 War Memorial. Mr Clark presented the printed sheet to the meeting that had been produced. It was agreed that a second copy should be produced so there is one in the Church with a second in the Village Hall. Mr Clark agreed to get a second copy and quotes for framing. **Action Mr Clark.**

3.5 Path from Heacham Road to Playing Field. The clerk has reported the path on the highways website. No action has been taken to date.

3.6 Planning Queries. The clerk has not received any replies to the matters raised re tiles on barn at West Hall Farm and the development at Wisbech House.

3.7 Bench, Cole Green. Mr Frost had the wording the resident would like on the bench. There was a short discussion about payment but this will be considered when final costs are known. The clerk agreed to get a quote for the plaque. **Action the Clerk.**

3.8 Cemetery meeting. The clerk has spoken to the church wardens and agreed, due to holidays, to set up a meeting for September.

3.9 Fly Tipping Inmere Lane. The clerk has not had a reply to his letter. Councillors will take a look when next in the area to see if it has gone.

3.10 Mr Bray Gate in Hedge. The clerk had spoken to Mr Bray and he was not aware of the gate and had not given his tenant permission to cut the hedge. He apologised for the action. It was agreed that hedging would be replanted at some time in the future.

4 Standing Agenda Items

4.1 Police Matters. Cars parked Docking Road. The clerk has reported the matter to the police.

4.2 Meetings Attended. The clerk has attended the SNAP meeting last week. The main topic from many parishes was parked cars. The clerk reported parking on the Docking Road and Cole Green areas of the village. Mrs Sindler has contacted the clerk re parking and he has informed her of the current parking situation. He also informed her that the police were aware of the problem and she should tell those that she speaks to in the Cole Green area.

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The chair reported that she had attended the Community Transport meeting and had spoken with Ben Coulson about the possibility of some form of service for Sedgeford. He was going back to the bus companies and she had not had an update from him but will get back to him.

Action Chair. If a service was possibly, there would be an expectation the Parish Council would make a contribution. This could be gathered through fund raising or from the precept.

4.3 Village Hall matters. Mr Frost reported that the committee were looking into providing Wi-Fi for the hall.

5 Planning matters. None

Outcome of planning. 17/00943//F Rose Cottage Approved

6. Questions for the County Councillor. The Councillor asked if the Parish had seen the latest information about the Rangers. The clerk said that he had received the letter and booked work for next week. He informed the Parish about the upcoming Partnership Scheme and that County Councillors have a fund of £6,000 to support local projects. The County Councillor asked about insurance for the defibrillator: the clerk is to look into this. **Action Clerk**

7. Questions to the Borough Councillors. The Councillor informed the meeting about the changes to food waste bags and that the Borough would be going out to tender on refuse collection later in the year. He urged people to examine fly tipping to try and get information which might identify those responsible to pass on to the authorities who are keen to bring prosecutions. He was asked about the closure of the Hunstanton office. He said there would be a consultation with the users over the next few weeks. He commented on emergency planning raised at the last meeting saying that the major threat to the area is tidal flooding and the Borough Council has robust procedures that are put in place to cover this issue.

8 Finance

8.1 Bills.

Name	Business	Net	VAT	Gross	Non Recoverable VAT
Eon (DD)	Electricity	£ 19.79	£ 0.99	£ 20.78	None
K and M	St Lighting	£13.29	£2.66	£ 15.95	None
CGM	Grass Cutting	£265.15	£53.03	£ 318.18	None
Ward Gethin Archer		£3076.00	£600.00	£3676.00	None
J Ward	Salary	£1088.71	£0.00	£1088.71	None
HMRC	Tax	£272.00	£0.00	£ 272.00	None
Mr Head	Expenses	£ 15.75	£0.00	£ 15.75	None
Westcotec	lamp	£398.00	£79.60	£ 477.60	None
J ward	Expenses	£117.19	£0.00	£ 117.19	None

The bills were proposed by Mr Clark and seconded Mr Frost and carried.

8.2 Financial Statement. The clerk reported the figures.

8.3 Standing Order for K and M lighting. The clerk asked for permission to set up a standing order for K and M Lighting. It was proposed Mr Head seconded Mr Curry that this should be done. This was carried.

9. Correspondence.

9.1 Post Office closure

9.2 Parish Partnership Scheme 2017/18, the chair suggested that councillors consider projects for the next meeting.

9.3 Changes to food waste caddy liners

9.4 Appeal on the Cow Shed Sedgeford Hall Estates, this appeal had been dismissed

9.5 New address letter, Shooting Lodge Cottage Sedgeford Hall Estate.

9.6 Police Newsletter

9.7 Resignation of Mrs Falkner as a councillor. This will be her last meeting. The clerk will inform the Borough Council. The chair thanked Mrs Falkner for the time and contribution she has made to the council during her time in office.

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10 Council Decision.

10.1 Neighbourhood Plan Update. Ms Crump informed that meeting that the committee have met and will meet again in August as they start to draft the objectives and policies for the plan.

10.2 Paddock Road. Mr Clark left the meeting for this item. Mrs McGinty has indicated that she wishes to reconsider certain proposals which were discussed at a meeting last November. The chair said that this was disappointing news as we thought these proposals had been agreed. It was suggested that the only path to resolve the matter might be Legal Arbitration. The clerk suggested that one further meeting should be held with Mrs McGinty and Mr Clark to try and find a solution without recourse to legal action. This was agreed: Mr Curry will find out when Mrs McGinty is available to have a meeting. **Action Mr Curry**

10.3 Land Registry Update. Washpit registration is with Land Registry.

10.4 Speed watch Update. The clerk said he had received 8 completed forms with a further 6 to be returned. He will get these to the police office by the end of the month. It is hoped that a training session will be held in September /October.

10.5 Borough Council Call for Sites. The chair understands there may be another opportunity for sites to be added to the Borough 25-year plan. The Neighbourhood Plan group will discuss whether to include consideration of possible sites in the draft plan. If so, there will need to be some criteria established for evaluating sites. The proposed Hastoe site at Cole Green has not yet been included in the call for sites. The clerk was asked to invite Mr John Lefever to the next meeting for an update. Councillor Devereux said he was happy to find out if there was going to be a further opportunity to propose sites. After a short discussion about the Paddock, Docking Road site it was agreed that there should be an investigation into what is involved in putting a site forward if the opportunity arises. **Action Clerk** This was proposed Mr Curry seconded Mr Frost and carried.

10.6 Hastoe Site Cole Green. Mr Lefever to be invited to the next meeting.

10.7 Speed Restrictions Ringstead Road. It had been suggested by residents that the speed limit on the Ringstead Road should be extended to the last property. Following discussion, it was agreed to ask Highways to consider a 40mph limit which would extend from the end of the 30mph limit to the last driveway. The clerk will write to Highways making this request. **Action Clerk**

10.8 Snettisham Road Junction. Visibility at this junction is very poor. It has been suggested that the footpath be moved from the Northern side to the Southern side to run beside the cottages. This would mean that the visibility would be increased by the pavement width and also add more protection to the cottages. It was agreed the clerk should write and make the request to highways. **Action Clerk**

10.9 Councillors' Claims and Expenses. A policy had been written last year but never formally approved by the council. The clerk read the policy to the meeting. It was proposed by Mr Head and seconded Mrs Falkner that the policy be adopted. This was carried.

11 A.O.B. and items for the next Agenda.

- Mr Frost reported graffiti on the playing field stand. This has been painted out. There has been an increase in vandalism at the play area in recent weeks.
- Defibrillator

The meeting closed at 9.04

Date of next meeting 20th September 2017