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**MINUTES OF THE SEDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE
25th JULY 2018 AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

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

Public Session. No members of the public present.

Apologies Accepted. Mrs Hipkin and Borough Councillor Mr. I Deveraux

Present, Mr Clark, Mr Head, Ms Crump, Mr Frost, Mr Curry and Ms Crosley

Declaration of interests. None

2. Minutes for approval. Minutes of the 20th June General Meeting were proposed by Mr Clark seconded Mr Curry and carried. Minutes of the 13th July Planning Meeting were proposed by Ms Crosley seconded Mr Clark and carried.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Anglia Water river flow. No further update. The view of Anglia Water on the current drought is that they have good stocks. Continued monitoring of the river shows there is still a good flow.

3.2 Defibrillator. The clerk is still in discussion with Mr and Mrs Barber.

3.3 Update re Paddock Roadway. An agreement has now been signed by the Parish Council and returned to the solicitor. We are now waiting for the other party to sign and return a copy to bring this matter to a conclusion.

3.4 Drains Ringstead Road. Cleaning machine has been in the village. It was reported that the drain is currently clear.

3.5 Hedges Buck Hill, Highways are to get them cut back after the nesting season.

3.6 Parking on Grass Jarvie Close. Borough Council are aware and will monitor and act if required

4 Standing Agenda Items

4.1 Police Matters. Nothing to report

4.2 Meetings Attended. Mr Head reported he had attended a meeting in Lincoln of a new group called Water Resources East (WRE) The group is made up of major universities, Anglia Water and the NFU, with other organisations expected to join. They will take a look at the longer term needs for water in the East. Mr Clark said he had attended the new RAF memorial unveiling on Saturday at the entrance to the poultry unit. About 60 residents turned out for the event led by the RAF Chaplain.

4.3 Village Hall Matters. Mr Frost reported that the committee had a successful fete with approximately £1400 raised to be split between the school and village hall.

5 Planning matters None

Outcome of planning. 18/00969/F Village hall approved 5th July, 18/00892/F Cole Green house withdrawn, 18/01184/F Cole Green House withdrawn 13th July

6. Questions for the County Councillor. Not present

7. Questions to the Borough Councillors. The councillor had sent a written report to the clerk which had been circulated. The clerk thanked him and said this was a good idea for the future.

8 Finance

8.1 Bills.

Name	Business	Net	VAT	Gross	Non Recoverable VAT
Eon (DD)	Electricity	£ 20.49	£ 1.12	£ 23.61	None
K and M	St Lighting	£ 13.29	£ 2.66	£ 15.95	None
CGM	Grass Cutting	£265.15	£53.00	£ 318.18	None
Mole Catcher	Cemetery	£ 70.00	£ 0.00	£ 70.00	None
HMRC	Tax	£ 277.40	£ 0.00	£ 277.40	None
Clerk	Salary	£1110.48	£ 0.00	£ 1110.48	None
Hayes and Storr	legal fees	£ 406.00	£80.00	£ 486.00	None

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D H Williams Planning £ 231.00 £ 0.00 £ 231.00 None

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

8.2 Financial Statement. The clerk reported the figures for July. There were no questions.

9. Correspondence.

9.1 Email resident re speeding. The speed watch co-ordinator had replied to the letter with information and an invitation to join the team but as yet has not received a reply.

9.2 Borough Council gambling Consultation

9.3 Civic Service Hunstanton, the chair has had an invitation and hopes to attend

9.4 Email re future development, this matter was discussed under item 10.3

9.5 Holman re memorial and fee. The style of memorial proposed was agreed but because of its overall size the council considers it not to be a tablet but a memorial. A memorial fee will be applied by the clerk.

10 Council Decision.

10.1 Neighbourhood Plan Update. The chair said that the group are now ready to produce a further version of the plan that would then go forward to the statutory consultation phase. The consultant has been through the current version and indicated things that need to be changed and added. The committee next meet in early August so hope to start the consultation in late August with an exhibition in early September. The consultation period will last for 6 weeks.

10.2 Data Protection. Adoption of the Policy documents was proposed by Mr Head seconded Mr Curry and carried. The clerk will now try to get the documents on the website. The chair thanked all who had put a great deal of time and effort into getting this project completed.

10.3 Proposed Hastoe Development. The chair outlined the proposal from Hastoe and referred to recent communications from John Lefever. She referred to the allocated sites document from the draft Neighbourhood Plan that had been consulted on with the village. One of the main purposes of the Neighbourhood Plan is to help the Parish Council have some influence over planning applications in the future. She referred to the “St Ives Policy” which states that new housing should be for residents and not second homes and a similar policy has been included in the Sedgeford Plan. Hastoe are looking to build on an exception site on the west side of the Ringstead Road. A councillor said one positive for this site was that it could be added to the mains sewage system that runs down the road. The chair read an email from Karl Patterson Housing Development Officer for the Borough Council who supports the project. The clerk read an email from a resident objecting to any development on farmland in the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The resident suggested the Parish Land on the Docking Road might be used instead but this had been earlier rejected by Hastoe due to the size of the plot, the height of the land and access issues. It was pointed out that a rural exception site cannot be included in a neighbourhood plan as it is land outside the village envelope. It was proposed by Mr Frost seconded by Ms Crossley that the council support the project as long as it can have an input into the overall design of the site and the properties. This was carried, clerk to inform Hastoe.

10.4 Use of weed killers in the village. After a short discussion it was agreed that no Glyphosate weed killer such as Round Up should be used by the council on any of its sites.

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

The clerk informed the meeting of the current consultation regarding the proposed joining of the fire and police service which would put them jointly in the control of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Heacham would lose its tender and gain a 4x4 type vehicle which is totally unsuitable for the station and the fires it encounters. The public are encouraged to respond to the consultation which Norfolk County Council opposes. The clerk will add a note on Facebook.

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Mr Clark asked for financial support for a resident who has agreed to put a surround around the new RAF memorial. The resident has been asked to get costing and the chair can use her discretion up to £50.

Mr Frost asked if the council would buy a tin of paint so he could do the village signs. The chair again used her discretion up to £20.

Mr Clark reported the speed watch figures for June. 23 cars had been caught speeding and 19 would receive letters. The police had been in the village and caught 33 vehicles all of which will receive fines or other punishment.

Mr Curry said the 30mph flashing sign coming into the village is being blocked by the hedge. This will be cut back if it is safe to do so.

12. Any Further Public Comments on the Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Date of next meeting 19th September 2018.