

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Windmill Room, Wood Norton Village Hall, on Monday 15 December 2014 at 7.30.

Mrs. J Marchant chaired the meeting with Councillors: T. Lidstone-Scott, R. Hunt, M. Crowe, J. Johnson.

**Apologies** were received from: Councillors P. Bell & R. Condon

### **Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.

### **Matters Arising**

The Clerk had spoken to Highways and they would have no objections to a defibrillator being situated in the phone box. She still has to check with the Parish Council's Insurance company.

### **Finance**

1. On the proposition of Cllr Crowe, seconded by Cllr Lidstone-Scott the Precept for 2015/16 was increased from £2500 to £2550. All in favour.
2. The Clerk presented the Half Yearly Accounts to September 30 2014. On the proposition of Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Hunt these were accepted. All in favour.

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, s 137 DONATIONS**

'Under the provisions of Section 144 of the Local Government Act 1972 the following expenditure should be incurred which, in the opinion of the Council is in the interests of the area of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.'

Norfolk Age UK has requested a donation. Following a discussion it was decided not to support this.

### **Planning Application**

Prior notification of intention to convert agricultural barn to dwelling house (C3). Lyng Hall Farm, Lyng Hall Lane. Following a discussion and on the proposition of Cllr Crowe, seconded by Cllr Lidstone-Scott, with all in favour, the Parish Council objected to this application for the following reasons:

- a) It should be a full Planning Application.
- b) The plans do not show the boundary of the applicants' property.
- c) Clarification is needed on purpose and proposed use.
- d) The property is adjacent to pig units -concern over odour.
- e) There should also be an application for change of use from agricultural to residential.

### **Planning Decision**

Erection of one-and-a-half storey side extension with attached car port. The Bungalow, Lyng Hall Road. Permission was granted.

### **Defibrillator**

The return for the defibrillator was very low with only 24 (out of 96) replies. 23 were in favour with 1 not in favour. 7 voted for the location to be at the Village

Hall and 15 opted for the Phone Box. On the grounds of lack of sufficient interest this will probably not be pursued, although the red post box will be left up to see if there are any further responses. A notice will be put in the Parish Magazine reporting on the outcome.

### **Meeting Dates for 2015**

These were agreed and approved as follows:

26<sup>th</sup> January 2015

9<sup>th</sup> March 2015

20<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015 Annual Parish Meeting 7pm start**

29<sup>th</sup> June 2015

21<sup>st</sup> September 2015

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015

14<sup>th</sup> December 2015

### **Correspondence:**

1. Norfolk & Suffolk Rehabilitation Company, Community payback Unit.
2. Society of Local Council Clerks. 2015 Regional Road Show programme.
3. Norfolk County Council Highway Rangers forthcoming visit to the village. Following a discussion the following need attention;
  - a) Potholes forming near the church wall.
  - b) Blocked gully on junction of Church Road and Church Lane
  - c) Poor road surface outside Arabian House, Hall Lane
  - d) Flooding on junction of Hall Lane and Church Lane
  - e) The culvert at Brush Hill needs cleaning
  - f) Pothole on junction with Ryors LaneThe Clerk will report these issues.
4. Breckland District Council Local Plan issues and Options consultation.
5. North Norfolk District Council timetable for 2015 elections.
6. Letter from Aylsham Town Council regarding degree course the Deputy Town Clerk is undertaking.
7. Campaign for Rural England, Light Pollution 10 Years On. A questionnaire to be completed by the Clerk.

### **Any Other Business**

Angie Wells is agreeable to carrying out restoration works on the Village sign but has requested that it is professionally cleaned first. The Clerk has a contact in Fakenham who may undertake this and will contact the company.

There then followed a minute's silence in remembrance of Diana Stevens who had sadly passed away. Diana had been a Parish Councillor and will be sadly missed by all the community.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

Chairman

Date

The next meeting will be held on Monday 26 January 2015