

**MINUTES of the MEETING of
WOOD NORTON PARISH COUNCIL
held at WOOD NORTON VILLAGE HALL
on MONDAY 7 March 2016 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT:

Councillor J. Marchant (Chairman)

Parish Cllrs: M. Crowe, J. Lack, J. Johnson, C. Robson and L O'Keefe.

Clerk: L. Jennings

87 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Lidstone-Scott, County Councillor David Ramsbotham and PCSO Shane Artingsall.

88 POLICE REPORT

Nothing received.

89 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

No report received. County Councillor Ramsbotham had met with Councillors to discuss the state of the roads around the village. He was accompanied by the Highway Engineer for the area, Steve White. Points discussed were the condition of Foulsham Road, the flooding at Rectory Road, the culvert at Church Road. The Clerk will investigate the cost of timer bollards for the Village Green to help stop the larger vehicles from causing any further damage. The Parish Council thanked County Councillor Ramsbotham for this.

88 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

89 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Marchant declared an other interest in item 8b.

90 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

On the proposition of Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Robson RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2015 are approved and signed.

100 MATTERS ARISING

- a) See minute 89 for the update on the Parish roads.
- b) The Parish Council would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. I Wells for being so accommodating in the positioning of the broadband box. This will mean that a large cherry tree may have to be felled. The Parish Council would like to purchase a replacement for them. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

101 FINANCE

- a) The following balances were reported to the meeting and were noted by Councillors:

- i)Community account - £1690.90,
- ii)Business Saver account - £568.27,
- iii)Business Saver (Village Sign) - £1,705.42.
- iv)The Defibrillator fund stands at £1835.00.

The Village Notice Board is getting in a poor state of repair. The Village Sign account could be used to buy a replacement. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

- b) The Wood Norton Parochial Church Council (WNPCC) have asked for a donation. On the proposition of Cllr. Marchant, seconded by Cllr.

Crowe RESOLVED a donation of £300 is given. 5 votes for with 1 abstention.

- c) On the proposition of Cllr Marchant, seconded by Cllr O'Keefe RESOLVED that the Clerks half yearly salary of £673.99 is paid. All in favour.
- d) On the proposition of Cllr Marchant, seconded by Cllr Johnson, RESOLVED that a payment of £168.60 is paid to HMRC. All in favour.
- e) On the proposition of Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Robson RESOLVED that a payment of £21 is made to North Norfolk District Council for Election costs in 2015. All in favour.

102 PLANNING APPLICATION

For change of use of agricultural land to touring caravan site. Four Acre Farm, Holt Road. Following a discussion Councillors agreed to object on the grounds of road safety. The entrance is on a dangerous stretch of road with a busy lorry park next door. Slow moving vehicles with caravans turning into a tight entrance would be a hazard. Councillors felt that there was a clear inconsistency by the owners.

PLANNING DECISIONS

- Alterations to dwelling and construction of external staircase and balcony. Bluebell Barn, Lyng Hall Lane. Permission has been granted.
- Erection of agricultural livestock building (Barn A), Lyng Hall Farm, Lyng Hall Lane. Permission has been granted. The Parish Council have noted the conditions of the planning decision and will monitor. Any environmental or planning concerns will be forwarded to the District Council and the Environment Agency.
- Erection of agricultural livestock building (Barn B), Lyng Hall Farm, Lyng Hall Lane. Permission has been granted. Any environmental or planning concerns will be forwarded to the District Council and the Environment Agency.

103 DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr Lidstone-Scott had sent a progress report. The storage cabinet is delayed although the defibrillator will arrive shortly. A balance of £600 has been requested from the Wood Norton Community Trust. The electrician is booked for the installation and the defibrillator will be registered with the ambulance service once it is installed. In conjunction with the Community Heartbeat Trust training will be arranged.

104 THE QUEENS 90TH BIRTHDAY

A celebration event will be held on Saturday June 11th 2016. The Clerk and Cllr Lack will liaise with the Village Hall Committee.

105 CORRESPONDENCE

- North Norfolk District Council has sent an update regarding the new arrangements for the Citizens Advice Bureau.
- A letter of complaint has been received from a resident regarding the state of the roads around the village. The Clerk will look into these.
- Broadland District Council, confirmation of contact details. The Parish Council does wish to be kept informed.
- Commemorative medal to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. Cllr Marchant proposed that the Parish Council does not order any of these. 4 votes for with 2 abstentions.

106 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

The Defibrillator
The Queens 90th Birthday celebrations
Update on the village roads

Village Sign Account
Donation of £300 to Wood Norton PCC
Purchase of a cherry tree

- 107 TO MOVE THAT THE PUBLIC & PRESS BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1(2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**
On the proposition of Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr O'Keefe RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that Public & Press be excluded from the Meeting, as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the nature of the business to be transacted.
- 108** A confidential discussion regarding an email received from Fulmodeston Parish Council.
- 109 TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION**
On the proposition of Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Crowe RESOLVED the Council moves into Open Session.
- 110 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**
Parish Council meeting 18 April 2016.

Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Chairman

Date