

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
SEA PALLING AND WAXHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH MARCH, 2017 AT 7.30 PM
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SEA PALLING**

Present:-

Chairman - Cllr. A. Allen, Cllr. T. Cleal, Cllr. J. Crafer,
Cllr. S. Deary and Cllr. G. Morris.

County Councillor A. Bradnock.
District Councillor R. Price.

Julie Chance MILCM - Clerk.

Two members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. G. Casson and Cllr. K. Matthews.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. S. Deary in connection with an item a member of the public raised concerning the ditch in front of her car park.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY, 2017

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21st February 2017, having been circulated, were taken as read, **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public expressed serious concerns about the Parish Council's proposed plans to change the parking orders in Clink Lane, Beach Road, The Street and Waxham Road. He enquired why the no parking order which is in place for six months of the year needed to be extended. The Chairman explained that the parking on the roads mentioned are causing problems with emergency vehicles and is dangerous to members of the public trying to use the footpaths. The Clerk explained that no decisions had been made. At present the Parish Council are investigating the possibility of extending the parking order but any change will need to have a public consultation period before any decisions are made. County Councillor Bradnock explained that the officer at Norfolk County Council who was dealing with the Parish Council's enquiries has been moved to a different position. She has discussed the matter with the Transport Management Team who confirmed that a consultation period would be needed for any changes. The Transport Management Team are asking that the Parish Council take a step back and work jointly with them to look at the whole parking issue in the village. Norfolk County Council see this as a test case for other areas and the challenge will be to keep up with the work the Parish Council has done to date. They felt that the Parish Council are being imaginative with their self fund option. Norfolk County Council are looking to appoint a person to work on the ground with the Parish Council and once this person has been appointed a meeting should be arranged with the Parish Council to discuss the issue. County Councillor Bradnock will forward the parking principles document to the Clerk who will then circulate to Members. The issue of residents permit parking was discussed and needs clarification. Enforcement is also an issue that needs to be addressed along with disabled parking. A member of the public said that any changes in the parking orders could lay the Parish Council open to a legal challenge if it affects the value of the properties.

A member of the public enquired who the ditch in front of the second car park belongs to. Someone is filling it with rubble and this could be fly tipping. Cllr Deary owns the car park in question and she will look into the matter. This will be placed on the next agenda for an update.

5. **COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

- 5.1 **County Councillor's Report:-** This was covered by Public Participation.
- 5.2 **District Councillor's Report:-** District Councillor Price reported that they will be entering a period of purdah shortly. Any press releases of a political nature should be ignored during this period.

Community Housing Fund:- North Norfolk District Council are pushing ahead for suitable sites for building affordable homes. The scheme will run for five years and needs to have a quick turnover. They are therefore working with housing bodies to look at projects that are in their infancy. The instructions from Central Government are to concentrate on parishes with 20% of second homes. All projects will be set-up differently and there will be an S157 covenant on all properties owned by the District Council. This means they will be sold to local people. There will be some rental income which will be placed in a separate fund and will help communities that have been affected by second homes. District Councillor Price is liaising with Members to deal with the issue of getting the public support. North Norfolk District Council has managed to agree a balanced budget without increasing their element of the Council tax once again this year.

6. POLICE

6.1 Police Report:- None given. The new newsletter was circulated to all Members. Unfortunately the newsletter covers Stalham, Sutton, Waxham & Waterside but does not break down the crimes for Sea Palling and Waxham. It was **AGREED** that the police newsletter will be placed on the notice board in future and the item on Police will be removed from the agenda.

7. BEACH

7.1 Parking - Beach Road:- This matter was dealt with under Public Participation.

7.2 NNDC - Car Park:- District Councillor Price confirmed that the car park will be open this weekend onwards until the end of October. North Norfolk District Council will also open the car park for the Boxing Day swim.

7.3 Sand - Clink Lane:- The Clerk read an email received from the Environment Agency confirming that the field team will be working on the area where there is loss of sand and the exposed concrete feet shortly. The work will be completed by 31st March. It was **AGREED** that no further action would be taken in this matter.

8. HIGHWAYS

8.1 Verge and Bank Cutting:- The Clerk confirmed that the contractor will commence the verge cutting within the next three weeks. The contractor cutting the verges has given the Clerk a contact who has the cutting equipment to cut the bank in front of the North Norfolk District Council car park. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will speak to this contact and enquire his rate of pay. Cllr. Deary reported that a local resident has offered to pay for the first cut of the bank at a cost of £28 per hour. This cut will be carried out in the next week. The bank may need another cut after 31st August. It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Deary will inform the Clerk when the cut has been carried out and the address of the resident who has offered to pay for it in order that she can write and thank him.

8.2 NNDC Car Park - Rubbish:- District Councillor Price confirmed that he has asked for the car park to be litter picked. A member of the public reported that there is still rubbish in the bushes. District Councillor Price will chase this matter. It was **AGREED** that no further action would be taken in this matter.

8.3 Church Lane Drain:- The Clerk read an email received from Norfolk County Council stating that the investigation work on the ditch will be carried out when they are next in the area but this will be done by the end of March. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.

8.4 School Bus:- It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to Sanders to ask that they cease the practice of dropping the children off on the corner of Beach Road. This is dangerous as they then have to cross the road without a clear vision of the traffic and with no pavement. The Clerk will ask that the bus drives to the bottom of Beach Road, turns around and drops the children at the top of Beach Road on the other side where there is a pavement.

9. FOOTPATHS

9.1 It was reported that one of the new Coastal Path signs at the top end of Middle Lane by the bottom of the dunes has fallen over. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will report this matter to Norfolk County Council.

10. PLANNING

10.1 Planning Application No. PF/17/0271 - Siting a storage container - The Boat Shed, Beach Road, Sea Palling, NR12 OAL:- No objections.

10.2 Planning Decisions:- Planning Application No. PF/17/0047 - Erection of conservatory to front elevation, 1 Farmside Cottages, Clink Lane, Sea Palling, NR12 OUL has been withdrawn.

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10.3 The Chairman reported that she and Cllr. Matthews have visited

Rueben's property and confirm that the work being carried out does not require planning permission. Rueben had been in liaison with North Norfolk District Council before commencing the work and they confirmed that no planning permission was required.

11. FINANCIAL

11.1 The following cheques were **AGREED** and signed:- £
J I Chance - Salary, Office Allowance, Travel and Postage 353.55
HM Revenue and Customs - Tax 77.20

11.2 **Payments and Receipts - February:- AGREED.**

11.3 **Bus Shelters - Cleaning:-** A vote of thanks was given to Cllr. Deary for all her hard work cleaning the two bus shelters. It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Cleal will liaise with a window cleaner to ask whether he is prepared to clean the bus shelters on a regular basis. It was reported that the pavement inside the bus shelter on Beach Road is dangerous and the Clerk will report this to Norfolk County Council. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 **NNDC - Community Housing Fund:-** Circulated. Noted.

12.2 **NNDC - One2One Newsletter:-** Circulated. Noted.

12.3 **Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk:-** Circulated. Noted.

12.4 **NCC - Media Invitation:-** Circulated. Noted.

12.5 **CPRE Norfolk:-** Circulated. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to CPRE on behalf of Sea Palling and Waxham Parish Council in support of the pledge.

12.6 **New Dog Orders:-** District Councillor Price reported that the results of the consultation was that three orders were retained. Dogs on lead on Clink Lane Footpath, Dogs on lead on Sandy Lodge Footpath., No Dogs on Sea Palling beach. Two new orders have been created banning lanterns and balloons on Clink Road Car Park and the whole foreshore from Eccles to Horsey.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as Tuesday 18th April, 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Sea Palling.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.

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Chairman

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Date