

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE SEA PALLING AND WAXHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2015 AT 7.30 PM
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SEA PALLING**

Present:-

Chairman - Cllr. A. Allen, Vice-Chairman - Cllr. S. Deary,
Cllr. G. Casson and Cllr. T. Cleal.

Julie Chance MILCM - Clerk.

Sixty members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor R. Price and PCSO J. Boardman.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. S. Deary in respect of Item 9.2 Jet Skis.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 18TH AUGUST 2015

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 18th August 2015, having been circulated, were taken as read, **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman.

It was **AGREED** that the meeting would be suspended for public participation.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Following lengthy discussions and comments from members of the public concerning the proposal for affordable housing in Sea Palling put forward by North Norfolk District Council, it was **AGREED** that a public meeting would be held with North Norfolk District Council. The Members asked all present to email any questions for the public meeting to the Clerk or drop them into one of the Members. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would arrange the meeting early in the New Year in order to give the public time to put their questions together. The Clerk will prepare another flyer once the date of the meeting is known.

A member of the public enquired why the verges are only cut three times a year. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would obtain the budget that Norfolk County Council would allow to the Parish Council if they decided to take on the cutting of the verges, and this matter will be placed on the next agenda for discussion.

A member of the public asked the Parish Council to liaise with Norfolk County Council to try and reduce the speed limits through the village. The Members explained that this has been an ongoing problem for many years and that they were asking for volunteers to set up a Speed Watch in Sea Palling. Five members of the public volunteered and the Clerk will inform the Police that there are now eight volunteers in Sea Palling and pass the contact details to PCSO Boardman for action.

A member of the public asked that part of the hedge on the Stalham Road be taken out. A child was involved in an accident two years ago. The hedge is alongside a footpath but is too wide resulting in pedestrians having to step into the road in order to see any traffic coming. The Clerk will report this matter to the County Councillor and ask whether action can be taken as a matter of urgency.

The meeting was reconvened.

5. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

5.1 County Councillor's Report:- The Clerk read an email received from County Councillor Thomas with an update on several matters outstanding. The Members have serious concerns that County Councillor Thomas has not attended any meetings for some time now and matters are not being dealt with. Members of the public who attended the meeting are very unhappy that the matters are still outstanding. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will write to County Councillor Thomas and express their concerns and ask that he make an effort to attend the next meeting to address the outstanding matters.

5.2 District Councillor's Report:- There have been talks with Great Yarmouth Borough Council to combine for greater efficiency whilst delivering the best service which North Norfolk District Council hope will enable them to continue to keep the rates down.

6. NORTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL - AFFORDABLE HOUSING

6.1 This matter was dealt with under public participation.

7. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

7.1 It was reported that the work has been completed. The Members reported that the new fencing looks very nice and deals with the safety issues.

8. POLICE

8.1 Police Report:- There were three crimes reported in Sea Palling and none in Waxham during the period 19th August 2015 to 21st September 2015 as follows:-

1 x Assault

1 x Harrassment

1 x Threats to damage/destroy property.

All the above crimes have been detected and dealt with.

SNAP:- At the last SNAP meeting the following three priorities were agreed:-

Speeding on the Stalham Road in Hoveton.

ASB regarding Halloween and bonfire night.

Road safety issues during winter months.

8.2 Speed Watch:- This matter has been dealt with under public participation.

9. BEACH

9.1 Public Showers - New Sign:- It was reported that the replacement sign has still not been erected. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to Russell Tanner with the details.

9.2 Jet Skis:- Cllr. Deary reported that they have purchased some buoys but they need to be placed on the water. Her husband is retiring next year so this needs a permanent solution. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to North Norfolk District Council and ask that they look into the safety issue of Jet Skis and bathers.

9.3 Dog Fouling:- It was reported that the public are leaving bags full of dog faeces on the beach. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to North Norfolk District Council and ask whether a sign could be erected or the installation of further dog bins in order to deal with this problem.

10. HIGHWAYS

- 10.1 VAS Sign:-** The Clerk reported that Westcotec had confirmed that the sign was in place and they were waiting for connection. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to Westcotec and let them know that only the post is in place and ask for an update on the time scale.
- 10.2 Cars for Sale on Verges:-** It was reported that this article has now been placed in the Village Diary. It was **AGREED** that no further action would be taken in this matter.
- 10.3 Permanent Pedestrian Sign - Stalham Road:-** It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to County Councillor Thomas asking for the cost of this sign in order that a partnership funding bid can be submitted.
- 10.4 Highways Inspection:-** The Clerk read an email received from Norfolk County Council stating that they will be including the carriageway issues raised in a forward programme. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to Norfolk County Council and ask for an idea of the time scale.
- 10.5 St Margaret's Place:-** It was reported that the drains either side of St Margaret's Place are higher than the road surface and as a result do not drain, causing flooding. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would report this to Norfolk County Council.
- 10.6 Church Road:-** It was reported that the ditch in Church Road is blocked again and the Clerk will report this to Norfolk County Council.

11. FOOTPATHS

- 11.1 St Margaret's Close to Church Road:-** This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update from County Councillor Thomas.

12. PLANNING

- 12.1 Planning Application No. PF/15/1220 - Erection of sectional garage, Lark Cottage, Clink Lane, Sea Palling, NR12 OUL:-** No objections.
- 12.2 Development Committee:-** Nothing to report.
- 12.3 Planning Decisions:-** Permission given for Dolphins, The Marrams, Sea Palling, NR12 OUN - Erection of replacement dwelling.
- 12.4 Possible Planning Breach:-** It was reported that there was a possible planning breach and the Clerk will report this to the District Councillor.

13. NATURAL ENGLAND - COAST PATH PROPOSED ROUTE

- 13.1** This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update from District Councillor Price.

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14. BETTER BROADBAND

14.1 The Clerk read an email received from Norfolk County Council stating that the new cabinet will be installed by mid 2016 if there are no unforeseen issues. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to Norfolk County Council and ask what speed is expected in Sea Palling and Waxham.

15. **FINANCE**

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| 15.1 | The following cheques were AGREED and signed:- | £ |
| | JI Chance Salary, Travel, Postage, Office Allowance and Stationery | 442.83 |
| | HM Revenue and Customs - Tax | 77.20 |
| | Mazars External Auditors | 120.00 |

15.2 **Parish Council Website:-** The Clerk reported that it is now up and running and she is posting all the relevant paperwork.

15.3 **Annual Return 2015:-** The Clerk reported that the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2015 has been agreed by the external auditors with no comments once again this year.

16. **CORRESPONDENCE**

16.1 **NNDC - Local Plan:-** Circulated. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would invite Mark Ashwell to a future meeting to inform Members of the Local Plan.

16.2 **Marine Conservation Society - Beach Clean:-** Circulated. Noted.

16.3 **2015 Coastal Business Resilience Conference:-** Circulated. Noted.

16.4 **Senior Flood Warden:-** The Clerk read an email from North Norfolk District Council requesting a volunteer as a Senior Flood Warden. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to North Norfolk District Council informing them that no volunteers have come forward.

16.5 **Hazardous Waste:-** A notice was placed on the notice board informing the members of public about the dates and venue for disposing of Hazardous Waste.

16.6 **Walkers are Welcome:-** The Clerk read an email received from Norfolk County Council enquiring whether Sea Palling and Waxham would be interested in becoming a Walkers are Welcome village. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to North Norfolk District Council and invite a representative to attend a meeting to inform the Members about this initiative.

17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was noted as Tuesday 20th October, 2015 in the Village Hall, Sea Palling at 7.30 pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.

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Chairman

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