

NORDELPH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Nordelph Parish Council on Wednesday 28th January 2015 at the Village Hall at 7.00pm

Committee Members: Cllr. M Harwood, Cllr. D Gott, Cllr. R Bailey, Cllr. B Bushnell, Cllr. R Stannard, Cllr. G Cosson, Cllr. Balls

Those Attending: Cllr. M Harwood, Cllr. Stannard, Cllr. Gott, Cllr. Bailey, Cllr. Balls, Cllr. Bushnell, Cllr. Cosson

Public: 0

Apologies: Cllr. Pope, County Cllr. Humphreys, Cllr. Spikings

1. Welcome

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2. Apologies

2.1 Apologies were given as above and accepted.

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

3.1 No declarations of pecuniary interest were given on this month's agenda.

4. Public Forum

4.1 No public present.

5. To confirm & sign the minutes from the last meeting

5.1 The Minutes of the last meeting were signed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. Balls and seconded by Stannard.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting

6.1 There were no matters arising at this month's meeting.

7. Village Hall

7.1 Cllr. Harwood advised that all Village Hall matters were currently running smoothly. He had spoken with the Treasurer recently and all was in order.

8. Police Matters

8.1 No report. Police presence in the village recently was noted.

9. BCKLWN Issues

9.1 No report.

10. Cemetery

10.1 Thanks to be recorded to Cllr. Balls, Cllr. Stannard & Cllr. Harwood for planting the new privet hedging in the cemetery. Some wire supports had been put in and it was noted that the tops will need taking out in the spring time. The new hedging has been set back slightly to allow room for the mower.

10.2 It was noted that the old gates need raising slightly with a teleporter and re-concreting in & repainting when the weather improves. Clerk to advise the vicar of this proposed project and request her approval.

10.3 It was noted that there had been a further burial since the last meeting. Clerk to start a new row for the next burial as the current row is getting too close to the service road.

11. Norfolk County Council issues

11.1 It was noted that the bid had been submitted to NCC Highways for the joint purchase of a SAM2 sign for the parish via the 2015/16 NCC Parish Partnership Scheme with Upwell & Emneth Parish Councils. It had been confirmed that a SAM2 can be deployed in a 40mph zone. If successful, Nordelph's contribution would be £592.83 – this includes the data enabled sign, one bracket and one post.

11.2 It was noted that Kate Day from Cambs CC would be visiting the parish with a couple of colleagues on Tuesday 17th March at 6.00pm to discuss ideas for the parish and neighbouring parishes re public rights of way. Clerk to advertise this meeting on the parish noticeboards and the website as any interested residents are welcome too. Clerk to invite Downham West Parish Council too. Nordelph Parish Council's objective is to have a footbridge installed at the Bedford river to complete the footpath from Nordelph to the Bedford river bank to allow the public right of way to continue to either Salters Lode or to Welney. Any maps or photographs that anyone might have of the footpath would be useful to bring to the meeting also.

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11.3 Clerk to chase reinstatement of fingerboard at the culvert.

12. Planning

12.1 It was noted that Planning App 14/01612/F, Single storey extension to dwelling at 1 Worlds End Farm Cottages, Silt Road, Nordelph had been approved by BCKLWN.

13. Internal Council Affairs

13.1 **Councillor Vacancies** – Cllr. Harwood welcomed Kevin Free to the parish council.

13.2 Cllr. Harwood advised that he is moving out of the village and therefore formally stood down from his position as Chairman of the Parish Council.

13.3 All were in favour for the Vice Chair, Danielle Gott, to take the position of Chair.

14. Finance

14.1 All were in favour to pay the outstanding payments since the last meeting.

Payments for Authorisation since the last meeting					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	TOTAL	dd/EP/chq	Supplier/Service
Kate Bennett	£77.90	£13.22	£91.12	100485	Expenses - privet hedging (£55), print cartridge, stationery etc.
Kate Bennett	£373.28	£0.00	£373.28	s/o	November & December salary
westcotec	£18.09	£3.63	£21.72	100486	Oct Nov Dec maintenance
Holly Landscapes (already paid)	£1,758.83	£351.77	£2,110.60	100484	Churchyard maintenance
	£451.18	£13.22	£464.40		

*cheque book stubs to be initialled at next meeting.

14.2 Income since the last meeting was noted at £1475.00.

14.3 The bank statements were viewed by Cllr. Stannard & Cllr. Cosson.

15. Correspondence

15.1 Letter from Top Garden Services of Thetford regarding contract for grass cutting/ maintenance was noted & to be filed for future reference.

16. Allotments

16.1 The Clerk has been in touch with Maxey Grounds & Co. to arrange a site meeting and is awaiting a response from Alan Faulkner who has taken over from Geoffrey Brinton following his retirement. Clerk to follow up.

17. Agenda items for the next meeting

- Village Sign
- Cllr. Bushnell apologies

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

The next meeting will be on Monday 16th March 2015 at 7.00pm.

Signed..... Date