

NORDELPH PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of Nordelph Parish Council on Wednesday 2 March 2016 at the Village Hall at 7.00pm

Committee Members: Councillor D Gott, Councillor R Stannard, Councillor G Cosson, Councillor Balls, Councillor Free, Councillor Hoy

Those Attending: Councillor Stannard, Councillor Gott, Councillor Balls, Councillor Free, Councillor Cosson, Borough Councillor Spikings

Public: 1

Apologies: Councillor Hoy

MINUTES

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 & requests for dispensations

3.1 No declarations of pecuniary interest were made and no dispensations were required.

4. Public Forum

4.1 No members of the public present wished to address the council as part of the Public Forum.

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

5.1 It was resolved to accept & sign the Minutes of the last meeting as a true record of the meeting.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting

6.1 There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting.

7. Village Hall

7.1 A member of the Village Hall Committee reported that the new windows and new front door for the village hall have now been ordered with Super Seal at a cost of £4250.00 + VAT with a six week lead time. A deposit of £800.00 has been made to Super Seal. It was noted that the previous deposit of £800.00 given to the initial supplier has still not been returned to the Village Hall Committee. On-going.

7.2 A copy of the 2014 2015 Village Hall Accounts were made available and have also been sent to the Charity Commission for publication. It was noted that the current balance is £14230.58 although bank statements were not made available for viewing. Clerk to ensure these are made available at the next meeting.

7.3 Thanks to be officially recorded to the current Village Hall Committee members for their continued support of the Village Hall. The parish council would like to reiterate their offer of support with the administration of the village hall and management of the building/car park to allow committee members to concentrate on village hall events if so required/desired.

7.4 The possibility of being able to *rent out* the refurbished area upstairs at the Village Hall as a flat was floated. This to be an agenda item for the next meeting.

8. Internal Council Affairs

8.1 The contract from British Telecom for the kiosk has been duly returned and signed. The kiosk now belongs to the parish council. The kiosk has been decommissioned i.e. the phone and the electricity supply have been removed from it. A sign needs to be displayed in it to show that it no longer contains a British Telecom payphone and is no longer the responsibility of British Telecom. It was resolved to insure the kiosk against damage to a value of £2,500.00. This figure is to possibly be revised once the future use of the kiosk and its contents has been determined. Clerk to Action. Ideas for the possible future use of the kiosk to be brought to the April meeting. The Clerk to contact the Arts and Crafts Club to see if they have any ideas.

8.2 The Parochial Church Council had asked if the parish council had any intentions for the future use of the land behind the new development along the High Street. The Clerk to advise the Parochial Church Council that the land belongs to the Diocese of Ely, the parish council has no jurisdiction over it so it is entirely up to the Diocese what they do with it.

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8.3 It was noted that grants are being applied for, for the cleaning and re-lettering of the war memorial at the village hall, from the War Memorials Trust (£1500.00) and the Norfolk Community Foundation (£500.00). On-going.

9. Finance

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

Nordelph Parish Council					
Payments for Authorisation since the last meeting					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	TOTAL	dd/EP/chq	Supplier/Service
Kate Bennett	£373.28	£0.00	£373.28	s/o	January and February salary payments
Kate Bennett expenses	£53.67	£5.16	£58.83	100519	Postage, stationery, mileage, photocopying, Telephone & broadband, ink cartridges
Holly Landscapes	£130.00	£26.00	£156.00	100520	Village hall car park weed control - annual fee
Upwell Parish Council	£59.67	£0.00	£59.67	100521	SLCC membership 2016/17 (£179 in total, divided by 3 councils)
Emneth Design	£66.48	£0.00	£66.48	100522	Annual website hosting and domain fee
	£683.10	£31.16	£714.26		

9.2 Income since the last meeting was noted at £0.00.

9.3 The bank statements were viewed by Councillor Stannard, Councillor Cosson and Councillor Free.

10. Police Matters

10.1 It was noted that hare coursers had recently been caught at Brandon Creek.

11. BCKLWN Issues

No report.

12. Cemetery

No report.

13. Norfolk County Council issues

13.1 Highways are currently seeking quotes to arrange to have the hedge on the sharp right hand bend along the A1122 cut back.

13.2 Clerk to request that on their next visit, the Rangers cut back the overhanging shrubbery from the riverbank side of Birchfield Road between the village hall and the corner of Birchfield Road.

14. Planning

14.1 It was resolved for the Clerk to sign the petition on behalf of the parish council received from the National Association of Local Councils giving parish councils the right to appeal planning decisions.

14.2 The Clerk gave a brief report from the planning update session in King's Lynn on Monday 29 February. The main concern for the council would be the ceasing of the Borough sending paper plans for planning applications. As of 1 June 2016 the parish council will be consulted electronically for planning applications. Other topics covered were, 1) the lack of the Five Year Land Supply, 2) update on the Local Development Framework, 3) Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL), 4) the Site Allocations and Development Management Plan and 5) Neighbourhood Planning. Electronic copies of all the presentations given are available for anyone interested. Please ask the Clerk.

15. Correspondence

No correspondence.

16. Footway Lighting

No report.

17. Agenda items for the next meeting

- To consider any progress with repairs to the windows and door at the Village Hall. To consider using the refurbished space upstairs as a flat for rental. To consider the 2014 2015 bank statements
- To consider Ideas for the possible future use of the British Telecom kiosk
- To consider the implementation of E-planning and the implications of this on the parish council

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Assembly on Monday 11 April 2016 at 6.30pm followed by an Ordinary Meeting at 7.00pm at the village hall.

Signed..... Date