

Minutes of Emneth Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 26th February 2013 @ Emneth Central Hall, Emneth @ 7.00pm.

In attendance: Cllr. R. Waterfield (in the Chair), Cllrs. Mr. N Terrington, Mr. M Wiles, Mr. R Towler, Mr. S Curtis, Mr. M White, Mrs. Y Howard, Mrs. O Graham.

Apologies: Cllrs. Mr. P Oliver, Mr. McCourt, Mrs. Harper, Mr. J Fleet, Mr. C. Crofts, Mr. H Humphries.

Parish Clerk: Kate Bennett

Public: None

584. Apologies & Reasons for absence

584.1 There were apologies for absence as listed above as well as PCSO Claire Law and Steve Ross.

585. Declarations of Interest

585.1 Cllr. Howard declared an interest in Item 12.1 on the Agenda, Further enquiries for future burial ground, Cemetery Issues.

586. Minutes

586.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Tuesday 15th January 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

There were no members of the public in attendance so no need to adjourn for the public session.

587. Reports

587.1 Police Report – an email had been received from PCSO Claire Law apologising for her non-attendance but requesting any issues to be emailed to her.

587.2 Borough Councillor Report – nothing to report this month.

587.3 County Councillor Report – nothing to report this month.

587.4 Parish Councillor Reports/Correspondence.

Cllr. Terrington reported a build-up of about 3ft of stagnant water in DRN145PO133 at Hollycroft Road. It appears that the water is not being channelled the right way as there shouldn't be any water in there at all. Clerk to report this to the King's Lynn IDB for them to investigate.

587.4.1 The Minutes from the Planning Meeting held on Tuesday 29th January 2013 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

587.4.2 The Minutes from the Extraordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 13th February 2013 were accepted as a true record of the meeting. It was noted that it was not a Committee that had met on 29th January 2013 to discuss the precept for 2013/14 but more a 'working party' which was why there were no official minutes of the gathering, just a proposal for the 2013/14 precept to be put to council at the Extraordinary Meeting on 13th February.

587.4.3 The report from the Planning Update Session hosted by BCKLWN was noted and Cllr. Howard reported on a few of the topics discussed at the session. Cllr. Terrington would like a hard copy of the full presentation – Clerk to action.

587.4.4 Cllr. Waterfield reported that he felt the Clerk's initial 6 month trial period had proved satisfactory and was happy to offer her the permanent position of Clerk to Emneth PC. This was seconded by Cllr. White.

587.4.5 The date for the annual Parish Assembly was noted – Tuesday 23rd April 2013 @ 6.30 pm.

588. Finance

588.1

Accounts for payment February 2013				Net	VAT	Total
NO	Name	Chq No	Description			
130	B.T.	102271	Broadband 1 Feb'13 -30 Apr'13	40.50	8.10	48.60
131	Westcotec	102272	Street lighting maintenance for Jan & Feb	149.00	29.80	178.80
132	CGM	102273	Litter pick bus shelter & Betsy's Pad 09.01.13	28.75	5.75	34.50
133	E.on	102274	Street lighting January	141.73	28.35	170.08
134	Nicola Lane	102275	4 weeks ending 20 Jan - 32 hours & 21 Jan- 11 Feb 32 hours	396.16	0.00	396.16
135	Jean Eady	102276	28 Dec-29 Jan 29 hours 30 Jane-26 Feb 24 hours	328.07	0.00	328.07
136	Kate Bennett	102277	Clerk's expenses	40.48	0.00	40.48
137	Citizens Advice Bureau	102278	Outreach sessions Oct, Nov & Dec	85.50	0.00	85.50
138	EPFC	102279	Sustainability grant invoice payments	299.42	0.00	299.42
139	Kevin Adams	102280	Cut dykes on Grays Lane holdings	170.00	0.00	170.00
Total				1,679.61	72.00	1581.61

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All were in favour to pay this month's invoices.

588.2 To receive a report of income received & outstanding accounts.

Received

Lankfer	£870.00
Clingo	£375.00

589. Planning

589.1 To receive Planning Applications/Decisions.

Planning app 12/02075/F and Planning app 13/00253/F had not been received in time to discuss at this meeting. A planning meeting to be held on Tuesday 12 th March @ 6.30 pm to view these applications.	
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590. Correspondence

590.1 An email from the Boundary Commission confirming the date of the next Parliamentary Constituency Boundary Review for 2018 was noted.

590.2 An email from a resident regarding parking issues around the Spar Shop area was read out & its contents noted. Clerk to reply accordingly.

590.3 Letter from Westcotec noted and it was agreed to accept invoicing for street light maintenance 3 monthly in arrears. Clerk to action.

590.4 Info from NorfolkALC on Initial training for clerks & councillors was noted.

590.5 Clerk provided councillors with details of the First Fenland Scout Group for Elm & Fridaybridge & Emneth who now run a group from Wales Bank, Elm.

591. Borough Council of KL & WN issues.

591.1 Concerns following the delivery of the new food waste bins and them being blown about by the wind when left by the kerbside and where to purchase additional liners for kitchen caddies had been raised. BCKLWN are recommending that the kitchen caddy be tucked behind the food bin on windy days to deter them from being blown away. The Borough are currently putting together a plan to help customers that are not near to the council offices to obtain compostable bags elsewhere and this will be in place in the next 2-3 months in local shops and/or post offices etc.

591.2 The Trade Refuse Agreement for the wheeled bin service was signed.

591.3 Information from BCKLWN regarding a scheme to reduce heating bills was noted.

591.4 An email from Tony Yates at BCKLWN regarding the transmission of register of electors' data electronically was noted.

592. Norfolk County Council issues.

592.1 Update on Highway Issues following a meeting with Martin Edmunds.

592.1.1 A bush between the road and dyke edge, adjoining number 110 Hollycroft Road is not considered to be an obstruction onto the highway.

592.1.2 The manhole behind the village hall is perhaps a little low but no repairs are necessary.

592.1.3 Several potholes along Elmside, Emneth have been programmed for filling.

592.1.4 x2 potholes along Hawthorn Road were programmed for filling.

592.1.5 Top of Elmside (where it joins Hollycroft Road), the side of the road has collapsed from the use of the dust cart – programmed for patching for 20m.

592.1.6 Pothole Church Road close to junction with Lady's Drove – programmed to be done in March.

592.1.7 Pothole Hollycroft Close – programmed to be done in March.

592.1.8 Flooding at Gaultree Square East at the junction with Hungate Road – Martin to investigate where the drains are.

592.1.9 Puddles on the footpath o/s 2 Lady's Drove - noted.

592.1.10 Large puddle at the junction of Cake Lane & Church Road – Martin acknowledged that the drains here are too high. He agreed to revisit with Andy Wallace to assess.

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592.1.11 x3 road name plates reported that needed repairing, Lady's Drove, Bambers Lane & Outwell Road have been repaired.

592.1.12 Cllr. Waterfield took the information on the Norfolk Village Games.

592.1.13 Cllr. Terrington took the information on Local Flood Risk Management Strategy.

593. Footway Lighting issues.

593.1 Several faults reported this month to Westcotec.

594. Playing Field issues.

594.1 Cllr. Waterfield has been to BCKLWN Planning Dept. and collated all the necessary planning paperwork required for the application for QE2 status for the playing field and sent it to the Fields in Trust. The deed is now awaited.

595. Cemetery issues.

595.1 Cllr. Howard left the meeting.

595.2 Cllr. Waterfield has had initial enquiries with the Duty Planning Officer at BCKLWN to seek advice on a Pre-Application Enquiry for the land to the rear of the church. This should iron out any snags there might be before full planning is applied for and all the necessary searches will be made and statutory consultees consulted. Cllr. Waterfield asked for Council's approval to proceed with this enquiry – all were in favour. Cllr. Waterfield is meeting with John Maxey on Friday 1st March to measure up etc.

596. Agricultural holdings.

596.1 All Invoices for 2011/12 land rent have now been paid.

596.2 Mr. R. Hill had confirmed that he had no objections to the under draining of his allotment land by Mr. Lankfer.

597. Date of Next Meeting.

597.1 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 26th March 2013 @ 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

Chairman's signature -----