

# EMNETH PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Emneth Parish Council held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at 7.00pm at Emneth Central Hall**

**In attendance:** Cllr. Waterfield (Chair), Cllr. Graham Cllr. Wiles, Cllr. McCourt, Cllr. Curtis, Cllr. Harper, Cllr. Howard, Cllr. Terrington, Cllr. Oliver, County Cllr. Humphrey  
**Apologies:** Cllr. Fleet, Cllr. Towler, Cllr. White  
**Parish Clerk:** Kate Bennett  
**Public:** None

**841. Apologies for absence**

841.1 Apologies were given for absence as listed above and accepted.

**842. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

842.1 There were none.

**843. Minutes**

843.1 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2014 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting by the Chairman with one amendment at 835.1 to read 'Clerk to contact the Head of Planning & Transportation at NCC to complain' rather than 'Clerk to contact the Head of Planning & Transportation at BCKLWN to complain'.

**844. Reports**

844.1 **Police Report** – nothing to report this month.

844.2 **Borough Councillor Report** – There will be an LDF briefing meeting for all councillors on 03 September. A jointly funded housing development project between the BCKLWN & NCC has been established with both parties investing £1m each. There are to be 2 new cremators installed at the crematorium in August some time. The Lynn Museum was voted one of the top 20 attractions out of 800 entries by the Telegraph newspaper.

844.3 **County Councillor Report** – The new Committee System now in place instead of the Cabinet System will be reviewed after 6 months of its instigation. All decisions, apart from 'high level' decisions (£100m+ projects and/or contentious issues), will be made by the Committee. The £145m shortfall in the 2015-18 budget is to be found predominantly from savings and reductions within council activities but also now from commercial income and fund raising aided by the engagement of a new Managing Director employed to encourage such activities.

**844.4 Parish Councillor Reports/Correspondence –**

844.4.1 A brief report from the most recent joint parish councils meeting was given by Cllr. Howard. Further discussions had taken place regarding the LDF with no response to date from Elizabeth Truss and the installation of solar panels on roofs in conservation areas was a topic for discussion.

844.4.2 The minutes from the planning meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> July 2014 were signed as a true record of the meeting.

**845. Finance**

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

Payments for July 2014 Authorisation					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	TOTAL	dd/chq	Supplier/Service
Terry Wiles	£ 100.00	£ -	£ 100.00	102442	Cut & spray car park. Strim & sprayed front of cemetery
Nicola Lane*	£ 902.88	£ -	£ 277.64	102443	9th June to 4th July
E.on	£ 137.61	£ 27.52	£ 165.13	102444	June's electricity
Kate Bennett	£ 60.15	£ 7.73	£ 67.88	102445	Expenses
CGM Landscapes	£ 270.25	£ 54.05	£ 324.30	102446	Churchyard maintenance
	£ 320.10	£ 64.02	£ 384.12		Turfing of 6 graves
Alison Handling Services	£ 80.80	£ 16.16	£ 96.96	102447	Regent 30 dog waste bin
Marquee Magic Ltd.	£ 300.00	£ 60.00	£ 360.00	102441	6m x 6m marquee for football tournament* (cheque raised at planning meeting earlier this month)
Westotec	£ 74.50	£ 14.90	£ 89.40	102448	July street lighting
HMRC	£ 343.37	£ -	£ 343.37	102449	PAYE
Kate Bennett*	£ -	£ -	£ 473.80	s/o	Monthly salary
Emneth Design	£ 25.00	£ -	£ 25.00	102450	Website service
Terry Wiles	£ 80.00	£ -	£ 80.00	102451	Cut trees Betsy Pad, clear overhanging tree branches in old cemetery
Jean Eady*	£ -	£ -	£ 151.44	102452	25 June to 29 July inc
Jean Eady	£ 40.85	£ 8.17	£ 49.02		Hi vis jackets & litter picker
	<b>£ 2,735.51</b>	<b>£ 252.55</b>	<b>£ 2,988.06</b>		
*salaries shown together re data protection					

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845.2 A letter to Barclays Bank to authorise a transfer of £3096.72 from the Claude Coates fund to the Community Account was signed (repairs to playing field car park).

845.3 Income for the month was noted – £1070.00 (cemetery).

## **846. Planning**

846.1 To receive Planning Applications/Decisions

<p><b>Planning app 14/01038/F</b> Residential extension and alterations to existing house at Sunnyside, 105 Elm High Road, Emneth.</p> <p>On a proposal from Cllr. Harper, seconded by Cllr. Curtis with all in favour approval was recommended to the application.</p>	
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## **847. General Correspondence**

847.1 There was no correspondence this month.

## **848. Borough Council of KL & WN issues**

848.1 Nothing to report this month.

## **849. Norfolk County Council issues**

849.1 Cllr. Waterfield had responded to Norfolk Property Services to indicate the PC's initial interest in ownership of the former Wisbech Canal, High Road to Colletts Bridge but a reply is still awaited. Cllr. Waterfield identified several issues needing clarification before pursuing the project any further. On going.

## **850. Norfolk County Council Highways Issues**

850.1 The overgrown cow parsley on the land along the A1101 at the top of Church Road at Tramways corner has at last been cut. Discussions with NCC Highways have highlighted that in fact from the verge (roughly 6 foot of it) to half-way over the ditch is highways responsibility only and from the ditch to the mound/embankment backwards is the responsibility of the landowner which in this case just happens to be NCC but this is not highways land or highways responsibility. However, after discussions, NCC Highways have agreed to cut the embankment beyond the ditch each time they cut the verge.

850.2 Clerk to write to homeowner along The Wroe to request the hedge at the front of their property is cut back.

850.3 Clerk to write to homeowner at the top of Hawthorn Road to request the vegetation growing from their garden over Hawthorn Road is cut back. Clerk to speak with Andy Wallace and/or Martin Edmunds regarding this vegetation.

850.4 Clerk to investigate fly tipping along Elmside.

850.5 Overgrown hedge reported outside 53 Elmfield Drive.

850.6 The vegetation at the bus stop opposite Thatchwood Avenue needs cutting back as it is forcing pedestrians onto the road. Clerk to contact Martin Edmunds.

## **851. Footway Lighting issues**

851.1. Nothing to report this month.

## **852. Playing Field issues**

852.1 Nothing to report this month.

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**853. Cemetery issues**

853.1 Some ivy has been cut back from a few graves under the trees in the old cemetery.

853.2 Cllr. Waterfield & Cllr. Graham had met with Tim Glover of CGM.

**854. Agricultural holdings**

854.1 Nothing to report this month.

**855. Date of Next Meeting**

855.1 The next meeting will be on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm

Chairman's signature -----