

Minutes of Emneth Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 22nd October 2013 @ Emneth Central Hall, Emneth @ 7.00pm.

In attendance: Cllr. R. Waterfield (in the Chair), Cllr. Terrington, Cllr. Wiles, Cllr. Towler, Cllr. White, Cllr. Graham, Cllr. McCourt, Cllr. Howard, Cllr. Curtis, Cllr. Oliver, Cllr. Fleet.

County Cllr. Humphrey.

Apologies: Cllr. Crofts, Cllr. Humphrey, Cllr. Harper.

Parish Clerk: Kate Bennett.

Public None.

709. Apologies for absence

709.1 Apologies were given for absence as listed above.

710. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

710.1 Cllr. Howard declared a pecuniary interest in Item 13 on the agenda, Cemetery issues.

711. Minutes

711.1 The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting by the Chairman.

712. Reports

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

712.2 **Borough Councillor Report** – nothing to report this month.

712.3 **County Councillor Report** – nothing to report this month.

712.4 **Parish Councillor Reports/Correspondence** –

712.4.1 Cllr. Terrington wanted to provide time for councillors to express their views regarding the school's proposals to mark the centenary of WW1 as last month's public forum was not the right place to consider this, when the school's proposals were made. Councillors were assured that all the teaching in school is in accordance with the national curriculum and under the control of the head teacher and other qualified members of staff. External funding through the Heritage Lottery Fund is being sought as is community support for the project. The PC, of course, pledges its support in principle to the project but any request for a financial contribution from the PC will require further discussion.

712.4.2 On a proposal by Cllr. Terrington, all were in favour to award the Clerk the local government pay increase of 1% to be back-dated to April 2013.

713. Finance

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

| Payment October 2013 | | | | | | | |
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| No. | Name | Chq No. | Description | Net | VAT | Total | |
| 68 | Ice Queen | 102350 | Deposit for hire of ice rink & Xmas castle (playing field) | 431.25 | 86.25 | 517.50 | |
| 69 | Ice Queen | 102351 | Balance of payment for ice rink & Xmas castle (playing field) | 1,293.75 | 258.75 | 1,552.50 | |
| 70 | Kate Bennett | 102352 | Back pay from April 1% pay increase (£37.53) + Oct expenses | 81.43 | 3.91 | 85.34 | |
| 71 | Terry Wiles | 102353 | Hedge cutting & strimming in the cemetery | 440.00 | 0.00 | 440.00 | |
| | | | Strimming in the playing field | 90.00 | 0.00 | 90.00 | |
| | | | Cleared rubbish, replaced post & strimmed Howard's paddock | 70.00 | 0.00 | 70.00 | 600.00 |
| 72 | Nicola Lane*** | 102354 | 2 Sept-29 Sept | 404.65 | 0.00 | 404.65 | |
| 73 | CGM | 102355 | Litter pick bus shelters & betsy pad | 38.75 | 7.75 | 46.50 | |
| | | | Litter pick around headstones and blow paths | 126.00 | 25.20 | 151.20 | |
| | | | Apply herbicide in churchyard | 45.00 | 9.00 | 54.00 | 251.70 |
| 74 | Glasdon Uk Limited | 102356 | New fixings kit for dog waste bin | 26.03 | 5.20 | 31.23 | |
| 75 | Mazars LLP | 102357 | External audit fee | 325.00 | 65.00 | 390.00 | |
| 76 | Westcotec | 102358 | October street light maintenance | 74.50 | 14.90 | 89.40 | |
| 77 | Jean Eady*** | 102359 | 25 Sept - 22nd Oct - 24 hours in total + £12.40 for hi-vis hats | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 78 | E.on | 102360 | September street lighting | 137.37 | 27.47 | 164.84 | |
| | | | | 3,544.98 | 503.43 | 4,087.16 | |
| | *** salaries shown together for data protection | | | | | | |

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713.2 **Income** received this month = **£480.00** – Cemetery.

Outstanding accounts to date = £5544.03 – agricultural land rents.

713.3 Permission was given to the Clerk to purchase the most recent Parish Councillor's Guide @ £17.00.

714. Planning

714.1 To receive Planning Applications/Decisions.

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| <p>Planning app 13//01447/F – Alterations & extension to existing bungalow at Leighcote, 5 Elmfield Drive, Emneth. The application was approved on a proposal by Cllr. Curtis, seconded by Cllr. White. All in favour.</p> <p>(fyi – Planning app 13/01214/O for Residential development at 137 Elm High Road, Emneth – BC granted permission. Noted.</p> <p>Planning app 13/01302/F - Proposed x3 bed 2 storey energy efficient dwellings with detached garage and associated works @ 97A Hollycroft Road, Emneth – application has been withdrawn. Noted.</p> | <p>Planning app 13/01450/0 – Outline application, Construction of x3 dwellings at Land between 63 & 65 Hollycroft Road, Emneth. This application was not considered as it has been invalidated by the BC.</p> <p>Planning app 13/01521/F – Proposed pair of semi detached 3 bed houses @ land adjacent 25 The Wroe, Emneth. This application to be recommended for refusal on a proposal by Cllr. White, seconded by Cllr. Terrington as inappropriate development for the site with a dangerous exit onto The Wroe. The site is also in a designated area to remain as open space.</p> <p>Planning app 13/01474/O – Erection of a pair of semi detached properties at land to the south east of 62 Elmside, Emneth. This application to be considered at a separate planning meeting.</p> |
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714.2 A further letter from Philip Jones regarding Tramways Farm Shop & Land, Outwell Road for consideration in the LDF Consultation was noted.

714.3 No nominations were put forward for this year's Mayor's Design Awards.

715. General Correspondence

715.1 An email from the King's Lynn Child Contact Centre was noted – no donations to be given.

715.2 The AGM date from West Norfolk Community Transport was noted.

716. Borough Council of KL & WN issues.

716.1 No nominations were put forward for this year's Mayor's Civic Awards for Voluntary Service.

717. Norfolk County Council issues.

717.1 Details of the 2014/15 parish partnership scheme were noted.

717.2 Further information on the 2014/15 budget savings was noted.

718. Norfolk County Council Highways Issues.

718.1 Clerk to chase Highways regarding the cutting of the hedges along The Wroe – still outstanding.

718.2 Pot hole o/s the Methodist chapel in Gaultree Square, approx. 6" deep.

718.3 Clerk to try and determine who owns the hedge & tree at the top of The Wroe at the junction with the A1101 on the lhs. Needs cutting back.

718.4 Large puddle forms at the top of Scarfield Lane , outside the pumping station.

719. Footway Lighting issues.

719.1 One fault reported this month.

720. Playing Field issues.

720.1 The Legal Officer at Fields in Trust does not think that the land needs to be registered, advice is being sought from Brian Bowser. Just 2 endorsements need to go with the Deed, 1) to confirm that the field now has QE11 Status and 2) that the field is leased to the Playing Field Committee. On going.

720.2 A further £2k has been awarded to the Playing Field Committee from Groundwork UK to stage a Winter Wonderland Event in December.

721. Cemetery issues.

721.1 John Maxey has now received a response from Mr & Mrs Howard.who have raised a number of queries which he has referred back to them for an answer. On going.

721.2 It was noted that the bench in the cemetery has collapsed/is broken.

721.3 Cllr. Waterfield agreed to meet with Terry Wiles again to obtain a quote for the cutting back of the briars which have spread from the cemetery into Mr & Mrs. Howard's paddock.

721.4 The Clerk's details to be updated on the sign at the cemetery.

721.5 Clerk and Chairman to continue to try and locate the Claude Coates paperwork detailing the bequest to the Playing Field.

722. Agricultural holdings.

722.1 The 2012/13 land rents have now been invoiced.

723. Date of Next Meeting.

723.1 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 3rd December 2013 @ 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

Chairman's signature -----