

Minutes of Emneth Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 25th September 2012 @ Emneth Central Hall, Emneth @ 7.00pm.

In attendance: Cllr. R. Waterfield (in the Chair)
Cllrs. Mrs. G Harper, Mr. N Terrington, Mr. P Oliver, Mr. J McCourt
Mr. M Wiles, Mr. R Towler, Mr. S Curtis, Mr. M White, Mrs. O Graham,
Mr. J Fleet, Mrs. Y Howard
Apologies: Mr.C Crofts, Mr H Humphrey
Parish Clerk: Kate Bennett
Public: None

528. Apologies & Reasons for absence

528.1 There were apologies for absence as listed above.

529. Declarations of Interest

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

530. Minutes

530.1 Cllr. Terrington requested that Item 522.1.2 be amended for accuracy to read 'the hedge o/s 10 Hollycroft Road, Emneth needs cutting back'. With this amendment, the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Tuesday 28th August 2012 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.

531. Reports

531.1 Police Report – an email from PCSO Steve Ross listing the crimes reported from 2nd July to 31st August 2012 were noted. There were 7 in total including theft from a garden, burglary with intent, criminal damage, theft from a motor vehicle & theft of a pedal cycle.

531.2 Borough Councillor Report – nothing to report this month.

531.3 County Councillor Report – nothing to report this month.

531.4 Parish Councillor Reports/Correspondence – nothing to report this month.

532. Finance

532.1 Finances since last meeting.

Accounts for payment September 2012						
NO	Name	Chq No	Description	Net	VAT	Total
93	Nicola Lane	102235	Monthly wages	127.68		127.68
94	Jean Eady	102236	Monthly wages	145.92		145.92
95	Clerk Expenses	102237	Mileage, postage, ink	81.59		81.59
96	Clerk Wages	102237	Monthly wages	469.11		469.11
97	Westcotec	102238	July, Aug & Sept 2012 street lighting maintenance	223.59	44.72	268.31
98	Citizen Advice Bureau	102239	Apr, May & June outreach sessions	85.50		85.50

99	E.on	102240	August street lighting	141.73	28.35	170.08
100	R Waterfield	102242	Black refuse sacks	13.00	2.60	15.60
Total				1288.12	75.67	1363.79

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

532.2 To receive report of income received & outstanding accounts.

Hungate Rovers	£100.00 paid	
Baileys Funeral	£100.00 paid	Ashes interment
Mr & Mrs Walton	£275.00 paid	x2 EROB

532.3 The Clerk provided a report on the discrepancies with CGM payments which have now been resolved. This was down to 3 overpayments totalling a credit with CGM of £1021.53. With 3 invoices in hand totalling £850.50 this still leaves a credit on our account of £171.03 which will be deducted from our next invoice payment.

532.4 Cllr. Waterfield & Cllr. Graham signed the letter to Barclays Bank to arrange for the Clerk's s/o each month for her wages plus to cancel the s/o to Michelle Meyrick which has continued to be debited in July, August & September. The Clerk has spoken with Mrs. Meyrick who is arranging to transfer the money back into EPC's account.

533. Planning

<p>533.1 Planning Applications. Planning app 12/1494/F Small holding including siting of temporary mobile dwelling & polytunnels (revised proposals to withdrawn app 12/0669/F @ The Orchard, Mill Road, Emneth. Plans to be considered at 25th September meeting. Approved, proposed by Cllr. Harper, seconded by Cllr. Curtis – 7 in favour, 1 against, 3 abstentions.</p>	
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533.2 Cllr. Terrington would like the comments for Planning App 12/01392/F discussed at the extraordinary Planning Meeting on 18th September to be amended as a true record to read, 3 against, 7 in favour and 1 abstention.

534. Correspondence

534.1 Emails between Stuart Kierman & Norse regarding irregular cuts of the football pitches has hopefully now been resolved with the time between cuts being closer to fortnightly cuts rather than 3 weeks.

534.2 An email from Damieon Norton regarding his daughter's accident at the park with the big swing was read out. This is now in the hands of the Playing Field's insurance company.

534.3 Letter from Fields in Trust re membership decrease from £35 to £25 – membership to be taken up.

534.4 An email from Marshland St. James PC re joint purchasing of grit bins was noted but decided that EPC will not be purchasing any grit bins this year.

534.5 Email from Came & Co. re buildings insurance was noted but no action to be taken.

534.6 Email from BCKLWN re nominating a councillor for the appointment of a non-voting member to the Standards Committee following changes to the standards regime earlier this year was noted but no action to be taken.

535. Borough Council of KL & WN issues.

535.1 Cllr. Waterfield returned his Register of Members' Interests to the Clerk. All forms have now been completed and ready for despatch to BCKLWN for publishing on their website

536. Norfolk County Council issues.

536.1 Highway Issues.

536.1.1 Mr. Sime's hedge @ 27 The Wroe needs trimming back again.

536.1.2 Mr. Tripp's hedge @ 1 Hawthorn Road, needs trimming back again.

536.1.3 Mr. Radanke's hedge @ The Wroe needs trimming back.

536.1.4 Pot hole at the junction of Gaultree Square and Church Road, Emneth.

536.1.5 x2 potholes o/s Mr. Chesters, 55 Elmside PE14 8BQ.

536.1.6 Cllr. Waterfield reported that Mr & Mrs Stocks of Hollycroft Road had arranged to get their hedge cut back.

537. Footway Lighting issues.

537.1 Cllr. Waterfield signed 2 copies of the contract from Westcotec to substitute the one on file from MHB Services. It confirmed that the annual maintenance charge would be £894.09 + VAT to be invoiced on the 8th of every month for 1/12 of the annual charge = £74.50 + VAT.

538. Playing Field issues.

539. Cemetery issues.

539.1 Further enquiries for future burial ground – It was agreed that the Clerk & Chairman could pursue initial investigations into the proposed purchase of the piece of land directly behind the cemetery. An informal opinion to be sought from BCKLWN Planning Dept. into the change of use of this land for a cemetery and an approach to be made to the Environment Agency also as there is a dyke around the side and the end of the land which could potentially cause issues. Their thoughts to be sought on any other potential sites in the Parish also. Cllr. Waterfield has reignited discussions with James Nash, Property Services at BCKLWN regarding them purchasing the land on our behalf and us paying them back. Clerk to investigate a possible loan through the Public Works Loan Board.

540. Rent Review for agricultural holdings.

540.1 Cllr. Waterfield confirmed that in 2010,* Mr. Lankfer had in fact been offered a 4 year tenancy agreement (not 3) for his 29 acres @ £60/acre to be paid 6 monthly in arrears. This giving him still another year at his current rate.

* Mr. Lankfer's rent (currently £60/acre) will be increased when his contract ends to be in line with Mr. R Hill's rent (£78.75/acre) as they both farm the same piece of land, Hungate 2nd. It was explained that Mr. Lankfer's rent was less due to the poor condition/state of the land when he took it on.

541. Date of Next Meeting.

541.1 The next meeting will take place on the 30th October 2012 @ 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

Chairman's signature -----