

# WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of Walpole Parish Council held at the Community Centre, Summer Close, Walpole St Andrew on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7pm.

Present – Chairman - Cllr Richard Broden  
Councillors – Richard Blunt (later arrival), Richard Green, David Lawty, Janet Luck, Linda Matthews  
Clerk - Emma Bateman, Press – Irene Hunter  
Three members of the Public – Mr A Eveleigh, Mrs G Henderson, Mr L Street.

Councillors met informally with applicants for the Co-opted Councillors posts at 6.15pm.

154/16 Apologies – to accept apologies and reasons for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bliss and Whitaker. Cllr Blunt had given notice for a late arrival for the meeting.

146/16 Co-option of Parish Councillors – a formal vote will take place for co-option.

Councillors voted for the co-option of new councillors.

Candidate 1 – 1 vote in favour of co-option, 5 votes against. Candidate 1 was not co-opted.

Candidate 2 – 6 votes in favour of co-option. Candidate will be co-opted.

The remaining vacancy will be re-advertised.

147/16 Public Participation – to suspend the meeting to allow public participation

Roll of Honour in the Parish Hall – councillors and members of the public discussed. Various options had been explored without success. Mr Street as a member of the Parish Hall Committee offered to investigate the cost of a separate plaque to go alongside the existing with the additional name. This will be an agenda item for August.

148/16 Declarations of Interest of any items on the agenda and to consider any requests for dispensations.

None received.

149/16 Minutes of the last meeting

Cllr Lawty proposed the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2016, having been previously circulated, as a true record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Luck. Agreed.

150/16 Matters Arising – to record matters arising from the last meeting

Allotments – there is a delay with progress in respect of the current planning inspectorate appeal.

Access Road – Cllr Newman reported that there had been no progress with the vehicular access. This will be referred to Cllr Blunt.

151/16 Chalk Road Trod

The trod is due to commence in early August.

152/16 Planning

## Borough Council Planning Authority Decisions

- a) 16/00363/O - Land South of the Old Police House, West Drove North, WSP. Outline application with some matters reserved. Development of 5 dwellings, Application Permitted, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016, Committee Decision.
- b) 16/00745/F - Rose & Crown Farm, Walpole Bank, WSA. Variation of conditions 6 and 8 of planning permission 14/00283/FM: To amend landscaping details Application Permitted 15 June 2016 Delegated Decision
- c) 16/00310/F – Homewood, Bustards Lane, WSP. Demolition of bungalow and erection of two dwelling houses, garages and associated external works Application Refused 27 June 2016 Delegated Decision
- d) 16/00729/F - Model Farm, Frenchs Road, WSA. Variation to condition 4 of planning permission 15/00918/F: To allow construction to continue during the restricted time period of 1st March to 1st August Application Permitted 24 June 2016 Delegated Decision
- e) 16/00656/RM - Land North of Hawthorne Lodge, Police Road, WSA. Reserved Matters Application: Residential development plot 1 Application Permitted 1 July 2016 Delegated Decision

153/16 Finance

### I. To review the Clerks Salary

Councillors agreed to increase the clerk's salary to SCP20 @£9.99 per hour backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 with an annual review in April each year going forward. Proposed by Cllr Lawty, seconded by Cllr Newman. Agreed. Cllr Lawty thanked Cllr Broden for the presentation regarding salary grades.

### II. to approve payments

i.	WPFRT	Hall Hire	20.00		20.00
ii.	K&M Lighting	Streetlight Maintenance	53.73	10.75	64.48
iii.	CGM Ltd	Grass cutting	252.50	50.50	303.00

iv.	BGS	Maintenance work The Chase	190.00		190.00
v.	Mrs E Bateman	Clerks Salary and Clerical Expenses	291.21		291.21
vi.	HMRC	PAYE	5.20		5.20
vii.	E.ON	Energy charge	97.23	4.86	102.09
viii.	BT	Broadband 1/5/16 to 30/9/16	111.56	22.31	133.87

Cllr Green proposed all payments be made, seconded by Cllr Lawty. Agreed.

III. to record receipts

i.	Village Crier	Adverts	166.00		166.00
ii.	HMRC	VAT Refund	2286.33		2286.33

IV. To view the books of Account

Cllr Lawty looked at the books of account.

154/16 Correspondence – to receive items for information

1. KLWNBC Devolution briefing
2. Baywa Re Rose & Crown community contribution advice
3. Magpas Thank you for the donation
4. CAN AGM 20th July
5. Barclays Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Councillors discussed with regarding to Parish council bank accounts.
6. Keith Lovejoy Wisbech Rd Litter Bin
7. Iain Miller Parish Partnership Scheme
8. Suzanne Lyons Speed Watch

155/16 To discuss Neighbourhood Plans

Cllr Blunt advised that changes will apply to Neighbourhood Plans which may simplify the process. There was a general discussion regarding the benefits of a Neighbourhood Plan and community infrastructure levy.

156/16 County and Borough Councillors reports

Cllr Blunt advised that the confirmation of a 5 year land supply within the Borough is awaiting confirmation. The final phases of the LDF are to be approved by 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Community Infrastructure Levy consultation phase has ended and a two day enquiry is due. Cllr Blunt will write about the Devolution Consultation in the newsletter.

Cllr Newman asked for an update on the allotments and right of way. Cllr Blunt advised that the planning appeal for site 33 is holding up progress. The clerk will contact Michael Walsh for an update on the Right of Way.

157/16 To discuss footpaths within the parish.

Cllr Newman requested help from someone with more local knowledge of the green lanes and footpaths in the parish.

158/16 To receive a report from the Community Centre

Cllr Luck reported the finances are improving as usage is increasing. There will be an Open Day on 31<sup>st</sup> July, the shop is doing well and consideration is being given to marking out a badminton court in the hall.

159/16 Report from Village Crier & Website Editors

Cllr Luck advised that any Social Media queries are being advised to contact the clerk or the council directly for further discussion.

160/16 Play Park – to receive any updates on the project progress.

The grant application decision is expected within 6 weeks.

161/16 To consider future Village projects

A suggestion has been received for street furniture verge gates to indicate the entrances to the villages.

162/16 To receive Councillors reports of villagers' concerns

1. The Chase – verge and shrubs need maintaining at the approach to the old primary school entrance. Clerk to get a cost for this from contractor.
2. St Andrew's Churchyard – footpath needs herbicide treatment – clerk to contact CGM Ltd (contractors).
3. Post Box by Lions Services – clerk to write to Royal Mail to request a review of the location, prefer it to be sited by the phone box on Walnut Rd.

163/16 Highways - To receive reports of road and footpath faults

1. Church Rd – 30mph sign obscured close to Rose Lodge.
2. Grass verge cutting – map required of the NCC cutting scheme.
3. Chalk Rd – flooding by Sunnyside.
4. Walnut Rd – post and rail fence close to the highway edge, advise NCC.
5. Chalk Rd – overgrown hedge, advise NCC.

6. West Drove North – o/s Hill Farm, left side of carriageway is sinking.

164/16 Streetlighting – to receive reports of faulty lighting columns

No 32 Church Road not working.

No 1 Chalk Rd not working.

165/16 To receive items for the next agenda

166/16 Date and Time of Next Meeting – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre, Summer Close, Walpole St Andrew, PE14 7JW.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

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