

# WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Walpole Parish Council held at the Community Centre, on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December from 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors – Richard Green (RG), Heather Smith (HS), Richard Blunt (RB), William Brooks (WB), Charles Boston (CB), Andy Bliss (AB), Adrian Eveleigh (AE)  
Cllr Kirk (JK) 20.05.

Jane Brooks (Minute Taker)

Four members of the Public

1. Welcome from Chairman to everyone.

Public Participation – to allow public participation (3 minutes per speaker, up to a maximum of 15 minutes in total)

- a. A member of the public complained that his name had appeared 3 times in the Parish Council report in the recent issue of the Parish Crier and that this had appeared in there without his permission, and he wanted to know how they got his name. Mrs Hunter said that he introduced himself to her in the lobby before entering the meeting. He said he did not. A discussion took place and RB asked what he wanted to do about it. The MOP said he would like an apology printed in the next edition of the Crier apologising that a MOPs name had been printed in the last edition.

Clerk to check to see if MOP attending meetings should give their name when speaking.

The same MOP then declared that he would be recording the meeting.

- b. A second MOP asked if the Parish was benefiting enough with regard to the Power Station and the parish's land for Battery Storage. He asked that perhaps contact could be made with the Power Station enquiring as to what they plan to do in the future, and he also asked if they Parish Council had been contacted with regarding the use of any Parish land. RG replied that as far as he knew the Parish Council had not been contacted regarding any land that they own.

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The same MOP said he would like the Parish Council to put a map of the land that belongs to the parish in the Crier so that parishioners knew what belonged to the parish. – Clerk to be asked to list what is parish land. He also asked if all the lanes could be printed on the map so that people know where the lanes are. AE said these could be found on the GOV.Norfolk.UK website.

2. Apologies – to accept apologies and reasons for absence: Cllr  
Campion – COVID, Cllrs Lawty - hospital and Robinson – illness.

3. To remind all councillors of their duty to abide by the Code of  
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4. Declarations of Interest of any items on the agenda and to consider  
any requests for dispensations: AB – finance and WB parish hall.

5. Approval of the Parish Council Meeting Minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> November  
were proposed by WB, seconded by CB and all were in favour.

6. Matters Arising

6.1 – deferred to next meeting.

6.2 – deferred to next meeting.

7. To receive reports:

7.1 WB reported that there were now a lot of white lines around a lot of  
the potholes in the village.

7.2 RB said that the Council does not know what really will be  
happening with the Governments Plan B as Council meetings now have  
to be in person. The CIL application needs to be in by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022  
and can apply for up to £50,000 but this may need to be match funded.  
There is scheme ‘Transport East Strategy’ to support regions. RB  
encouraged all to look at this before the next meeting and give thoughts  
then.

7.3 Deferred

7.4 Deferred

7.5 AE said that due to COVID some of the distributors had not been able  
to deliver this month, but other people had come forward and now all

the Criers had gone out. AE wished for his thanks to all those who helped be minuted.

7.6 There had been an enquiry as to whether Green Lane could be a cycle track. The lanes are not really suitable to cycle down but are kept cut by Blackamore contractors.

7.7 The Christmas Tree in the Swingfield was still alive and had been decorated by some families for Christmas.

7.8 – deferred

7.9 WB said that DL had not replied to his email asking how and when DL had gone into the village hall and so was not going to comment further until this information had been received.

## 8. Planning:

HS asked if planning permission was needed if someone made their garage into another room in the house (remove garage door and replace with windows). RB stated that it would be needed if it was at the front or side of the property and if at the back it would be permitted.

Applications –

### 8.1

21/02242/F Alterations and extension to bungalow forming additional bedroom, garden room and attached garage, Fen Lodge, Chalk Road – Proposed by CB, seconded by AE and all were in favour.

21/02287/F 4 Lucky Lane – AB proposed, and AE seconded, and all were in favour.

8.2 - 21/00495 – Market Lane tearoom. CB confirmed that planning permission was not needed as it was a change of business and not change of use.

21/00377 Cley Cottage – still outstanding.

9.1 Payments and record receipt for November 21, proposed by AE and seconded by HS – All in favour.

9.2 Bank reconciliation – proposed by CB, Seconded by WB, and all in favour.

9.3 to approve payments for December – proposed by AE, Seconded by RB all in favour.

9.4 Budget and Precept. It was suggested that the precept be 3% for the forthcoming year, at present it is 2.5%. A discussion took place and then RB proposed that the budget be accepted, and that the precept be 3%, AB seconded, and all were in favour.

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Cllr Kirk arrived during the meeting and after the finance he was asked if he had anything to report. He was still waiting to hear from Terrington regarding if they wanted to contribute to the speed reduction on Market Lane. JK said he could put £2,000 out of his council money into the scheme, but we need to know if Terrington are contributing so Walpole and Cross Keys know how much they need to pay. RB to speak to Caroline.

JK raised the 'Thank You' plaque presentation to the residents of the village. Clerk to be asked for an update.

10 – Items for next Agenda:  
Neighbourhood Development Plan update  
Market Lane update

11 Date of Next Meeting Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 7.00pm in the Village Hall.  
RG sends his apologies for this meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm