Warham Parish Council



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## MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Thursday 18 March 2021 at 1930

2021/03

### Because of Coronavirus this was a "Zoom" meeting

**Those Present:** Jon Smith (Chairman), Kirsty Vaughan-Jones (via FaceTime), Steve Vickers Keith Leesmith (Clerk), Marie Strong (NCC), Richard Kershaw (NNDC) Jane Berwick (Homes for Wells), Mark Burghall (Flagship Housing)

1) Apologies

David Fennell (Homes for Wells)

#### 4b) North Norfolk District Council Report

RK reported on the current Covid vaccination programme:

54% of adults in Norfolk and Waveney had received their first dose, compared to 45% of adults in England. This puts us fifth out of the 42 health and care systems in England.

480,582 doses of vaccine had been given in Norfolk and Waveney since the start of the programme. In the week to last Sunday (13.03.21), 43,948 doses of vaccine were given in Norfolk and Waveney up from 38,608 the previous week (37,561 were first doses and 6,387 were second doses)

99% of over 70's in Norfolk and Waveney had received their first dose of vaccine, along with 91% of 65-69 year olds, 86% of 60-64 year olds and 52% of 55-59 year olds.

# 6) To discuss outstanding matters regarding the affordable housing site Flagship Housing

MB said that it was expected that contracts would be exchanged next month between Homes for Wells and Flagship. It was then hoped that a start would be made on the project in September. While the groundworks were being undertaken the homes would be constructed in the factory so that they could be delivered on site and finished fairly quickly. It was hoped that they would be ready by this time next year. Flagship and Victory are now a single group, and whilst Flagship would build the houses, Victory would manage the completed site. We would be in contact with Kai Gibbon during the construction period and as he would be in charge of construction, he would be able to assist with any local problems. Flagship have it mind that they have to construct a footpath (as in the original S106 agreement) and also to provide the Parish Council with the land to build a new children's playground for the village.

#### **Homes for Wells**

JB said that she would be in charge of allocations when the site was completed. HfW had plenty of applicants on their waiting list, and there would be no problem filling the new homes quickly with suitable tenants.

#### JB, MB, & RK left the meeting at this point

#### 2) Declarations of Interest None

#### 3) Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 21 January 2021 - Approved and signed

#### 4) Reports

#### a) Norfolk County Council

Marie Strong had circulated a report which is appended to these minutes and appears on the website.

#### c) Parish Clerk

Keith Leesmith had circulated a report which is appended to these minutes and appears on the website.

#### 5) Planning – any matters to hand

There were no planning matters for discussion.

#### 7) To discuss appeals from local organisations

It was decided to delay this item until May, when it was hoped that we would be meeting face-to-face.

#### 8) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

A bank reconciliation had been circulated to Councillors.

The following accounts had been paid since the last meeting:

E-on	February electricity for street lights	28.48
E-on	March electricity for street lights	25.73
Zurich Municipal	Annual Insurance Policy	439.98
Norfolk ALC	annual subscription	129.17
Unity Trust Bank (31/3/21)	Bank Charges	18.00

#### 9) Minor Matters

Following the re-surfacing of the road (some time ago) there was a lot of gravel on the footpath. Although the path had been swept by highways, there was still a lot that needed removing. It was agreed that we would advise the highway rangers the next time that they are visiting. There was a road sign demolished near the west-end of the village. This is probably the 30mph speed limit sign. KL will advise highways.

#### 10) Date of Next Meeting

Confirmed as 20 May 2021 at 1930

#### The meeting closed at 2015