



MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Thursday 8 September 2022 at 1930

2022/10

Those Present: Polly Hanson-Smith, Jonathan Smith (Chairman), Kirsty Vaughan-Jones, & Steve Vickers.

Keith Leesmith (Clerk)

1) Apologies

Richard Kershaw (NNDC)

Michael Dalby (NCC) would try to attend but had another meeting to go to first.

2) Declarations of Interest

None

3) Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 21 July 2022 - Approved and signed

4) Reports

a) Norfolk County Council

Michael Dalby had sent a report, which was distributed to Councillors, is appended to these minutes, and appears on the website

b) North Norfolk District Council

Richard Kershaw had sent a report, which was distributed to Councillors, is appended to these minutes, and appears on the website.

c) Parish Clerk

KL had circulated a report to Councillors. This is attached to these minutes and appears on the website. Following the decision at the last meeting to close the children's playground, he had decided to leave it open during the school holidays but would now close it after the current grass cut had been made.

d) Homes for Wells/Flagship Housing – affordable housing site

After the resolution sent following the last meeting, there had been a certain amount of “behind the scenes” action. It appeared that the current delay was caused by the NNDC planning department. However, they had been in touch with Flagship between our meetings with their requirements, and Flagship had now submitted new designs to planners. We had been advised that we would be able to comment on these when they were formally considered. Graham Connolly and Richard Kershaw had both promised to “keep up the pressure” to ensure that the development is started and completed as soon as possible.

5) Planning Matters

There were no planning matters for discussion.

6) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

A bank reconciliation had been circulated to Councillors.

The following amounts had been paid since the last meeting:

a)	Ground's Maintenance July	55.00
b)	Annual Lighting Maintenance contract	128.52
c)	Ground's Maintenance August	55.00
d)	Clerk's 2 nd quarter salary and expenses contribution	513.96
e)	HMRC – PAYE on above	122.00

7) To discuss current position regarding Affordable Homes proposal

See 4d) above

8) Minor Matters

Two streetlights currently not working – KL to advise contractors.

We had still not received an electricity account since December 2021 and had no idea what current costs might be. KL had “chased” this but had received an unsatisfactory reply. He would do so again.

If costs have risen considerably, which seems likely, we might have to increase Council Tax to cover the cost. If this is the case, it would probably be expedient to ask Parishioners whether they would rather have no lights or an increase.

9) Date of next meeting

Because of a Councillor family commitment, the next meeting was moved from 17 November and will now take place on **Thursday 10 November 2022 at 7.30pm**

The meeting closed at 2012