



## **MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Thursday 20 July 2023 at 1930**

2023/08

**Those Present:** Polly Hanson-Smith, Jonathan Smith (Chairman), Kirsty Vaughan-Jones, Steve Vickers  
Keith Leesmith (Clerk)

**1) Apologies** Sarah Butikofer (NNDC)

**2) Declarations of Interest** None

**3) Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 18 May 2023** - Approved and signed

### **4) Reports**

#### **a) Norfolk County Council**

Michael Dalby had intended to attend the meeting but did not arrive before it was finished. He had sent a report which was circulated to Councillors, is appended to these minutes, and appears on the website.

#### **b) North Norfolk District Council**

Sarah Butikofer was attending a meeting elsewhere but sent a written report. This was circulated 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. In addition, he had received a letter from our electricity suppliers on the day of the meeting stating that the cost of running the street lights would increase from 33.8p per unit to 50.188 per unit from 1 September. KL would try to find an alternative supplier but did not hold out much hope as the small size of our account made it unattractive. With regard to Councillor Register of Interest Forms, there seems to be a problem with these because almost all are showing sections with missing answers. At the request of NNDC, Councillors have repeated the exercise.

#### **d) Homes for Wells/ Flagship Housing re affordable Housing Site.**

A report had been received from Flagship which was circulated to Councillors, is appended to these minutes, and appears on the website. The plans appear to be moving on, but very slowly (as previously).

### **5) Planning Matters**

There were no planning matters for discussion.

**6) Financial Report and 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 May	165.00
b)	Npower May	38.93
c)	Bank Charges	18.00
d)	Ground's Maintenance June	55.00
e)	Npower June	35.70

**7) To discuss Councillor Vacancy**

We currently have one vacancy following the election. We also have another potential vacancy, in that PH-S would like to retire when possible. We have one interested person, and it was decided to offer him the post immediately. PH-S was prepared to stay until the end of the year, which would give us time to find a second candidate.

**8) Minor Matters**

None

**9) Date of next meeting**

Confirmed as 21 September 2023

This date may, however, have to be moved if it clashes with the Bakewell Sheep Sales which JS has to attend.

**The meeting closed at 2017**