

Weybourne Parish Council

DRAFT MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday 2nd January 2019, 7.30pm at the village hall.

Present:

Pat Floyd (Chair), Walter Wood, Janice Rose, Robin Woodhouse, Andy Crawford, Lyndon Swift, Ruth Gallally, Peter Gallally, Catherine Fletcher (Clerk)

Also present: District Councillor David Young, County Councillor Sarah Butikofer and six members of the public.

1. (a) To receive and consider apologies

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr. Taylor.

(b) To receive Declarations of Interest on Agenda items

None declared.

2. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6th December 2018

The minutes for the meeting of 6th December 2018 had been circulated and were agreed as a true record.

3. (a) Public Participation (requests to speak on agenda items)

No requests.

(b) To receive reports from County & District Councillors

District Councillor David Young spoke to the meeting. He reported:

- In December there had been the first full council meeting under the new administration with the cross-party cabinet.
- Following a question regarding homelessness and the Armed Forces, it had been reported that there are currently 6 rough sleepers in North Norfolk. Five have refused the offer of accommodation and the sixth has recently been contacted. None are known to have been in the Armed Services. NNDC have, however, now established links with Armed Forces charities.
- Following the success of the Community Fridge project in Fakenham, it was agreed for all towns and large parishes in North Norfolk to have a Community Fridge subject to a suitable venue being found, volunteers available to run the fridge and local businesses that are happy to contribute.
- The National Financial Settlement had given North Norfolk an additional £90,000 Rural Services Delivery Grant and the whole of Norfolk is to take part in a 75% Business Rates retention scheme.

County Councillor Sarah Butikofer spoke to meeting. She reported:

- The Fire Service is to be retained within County Hall.
- The Police and Crime Commissioner had proposed a large increase in the precept in order to increase police numbers and administrative staff. The consultation for this opened on 2nd January 2019. C.Cllr. Butikofer raised concerns that there had been a promise of increased police numbers last year that had not subsequently occurred.
- The County Council budget consultation is still open.

(c) To receive Police Report

The Police report had been previously circulated to Councillors.

4. Finance:

(a) The following accounts were prepared for payment:

i.	C Fletcher	Salary for December	£319.50
ii.	C Fletcher	Expenses and stamps (12x2nd)	£26.96

(b) One additional invoice had been received since the publication of the agenda:

i.	E.ON	Electricity for street lighting	£58.40
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All invoices were approved for payment.

5. Planning:

(a) To note information/decisions received from NNDC since last meeting

- i. PF/18/1869, Single Story front and rear extension at Watermill House, Beach Lane, Weybourne: **Approved**

(b) To consider planning applications received since 27th December 2018

None received.

(c) To receive update re Hornsea Windfarm.

No updates received.

(d) To consider the proposal for Affordable Housing in Weybourne

It was agreed that the council was in principle supportive of a Rural Exception scheme to address local housing need in the village. The council would, however, like more information about the proposed development and the holding of a public meeting or consultation for the wider village.

6. Highways & Footpath matters:

(a) To receive update re the restoration of the pond in Beach Lane

No updates received.

(b) To receive update re the state of the beach

C. Cllr Sarah Butikofer will arrange a meeting at the beach with Cllr. Swift, the Chair and Cllr. Ruth Gallally.

It was reported that the boat on the car park has been moved.

(c) To receive update re road signs in the village

The council supported the sign by the cemetery proposed by NCC Highways. It was noted that to be seen by cars approaching from Sheringham the sign would need to be on both sides of the road, due to the bend on the approach to the village.

Cllr. Swift reported that the 'Pedestrian' sign on Holt Road was on the floor.

C.Cllr. Butikofer enquired about the new footpath round the corner on Holt Road that she had funded last year. It was reported that the footpath had not been built.

(d) To receive updates re the cuts on winter bus timetables

C.Cllr. Butikofer reported she was still waiting for a meeting with Mr Sanders regarding the Winter bus timetable.

Cllr. Swift reported that the bus timetable was not on display for buses heading towards Sheringham.

(e) To receive updates re proposed bollards on verge nr Jericho House, Station Road

It was reported the owner had put up a sign requesting no parking.

7. Meetings & Conferences (to receive reports and announcements)

None to report.

8. Allotments:

- (a) To receive report re allotments

Cllr. Woodhouse stepped down as Allotment Co-ordinator.

It was agreed Cllr. Crawford will be the new Allotment Co-ordinator.

Cllr. Crawford reported top soil for the raised beds will be delivered in January.

- (b) To receive any updates re school's allotment

It was reported that the school would like to take up an allotment on the 18th March 2019.

Cllr. Swift reported a local resident would like to donate £100 to cover the school's allotment fees for 5 years. As the Council will not be charging the school, it was agreed this money could be donated to the school to help set up the allotment or buy equipment.

It was agreed to request a 6 monthly report/update from the school regarding their work on the allotment.

9. Village Hall:

- (a) To receive report re Village Hall.

The report had been received and circulated to councillors.

- (b) To receive updates re the replacement of the removed tree

The Village Hall Management Committee have decided not to replace the tree that has been removed. They may consider planting shrubs in the future.

10. Cemetery & Churchyard:

- (a) To receive update re path through the Churchyard to the east gate.

No updates received.

11. Harry Dawson Playing Field: To receive report re HDPF.

No updates received.

12. Weybourne Community Fund: To receive report re WCF.

Cllr. Woodhouse reported the Children's Party had been a success. 38 children had attended the party and been spellbound by the "Mad Scientist" entertainment.

The Older People's Dinner will take place on the 13th January, numbers to be confirmed.

There will be entertainment from a well regarded singer.

The Community Field has been well used over the last few weeks for rounders and football.

13. Governance:

- (a) To consider changes to the website

It was agreed for councillors to view the website and feedback any suggestions and thoughts to the Clerk.

- (b) To receive any updates regarding the repair/replacement of the notice board

It was reported a number of quotes for replacing the notice board had been obtained. They were in the region of £1000 - £2000 for either a painted aluminium notice board, or a smaller wooden notice board. The Clerk was still awaiting quotes for refurbishing the notice board. It was agreed to request quotes including the addition of signage to the top of the board.

- (c) To consider the purchase of a laptop

It was agreed to purchase a laptop for the council. A budget of up to £400 was agreed.

- (d) To consider how member's contact details are shared

It was agreed for the names of councillors to be publicly shared, but all contact to be directed through the Clerk.

14. To receive update re installations for Deep History Coast

No updates received.

15. To receive General Correspondence (not included on agenda)

- Email from NNC Local Access Forum, regarding recruitment to the forum. This has been added to the website.
- Email from North Norfolk Open Space, Sport and Recreational Study, regarding an upcoming survey of open spaces in the parish.
- Comment from C.Cllr. Sarah Butikofer, regarding a request for people to identify a priority for the new administration at NNDC.

16. Public Participation (comments/other matters)

A member of the public reported that the “No Cycling” sign on Beach Road has collapsed. It was agreed to report this to NCC Highways.

Cllr. Swift reported he will bring his projector to the next meeting to see if it will work with the light conditions in the Village Hall.

17. The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 6th February 2019

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8:30pm.