

WALCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Walcott Parish Council held on Monday 16th May 2016 in the Village Hall, Walcott

Present: J East, G French, J Husselbee, C King, P McCarthy, K Porter, P Porter (Chairman), J Ransom, T Love; in attendance: Cllrs E Seward (NCC) [p-time], and 1 member of the public.

1. The Chairman welcomed all those present. Apologies were received from L Walker (NNDC).

2. Procedural items:

2.1 Election of Chairman- Following a proposal by TL, seconded by JH, Mrs P Porter was re-elected Chairman, nemcon.

2.2 Declaration of Acceptance by Chairman; P Porter signed her Declarations of Acceptance.

2.3 Election of vice-Chairman - following a proposal by PP, TL was elected vice-Chairman nemcon.

2.4 Representatives were agreed for: Allotments: JH Village Hall Cttee: JE
Gas Site Liaison Cttee: PP 'Overstrand group': PP, CK Management audit: JH, KP

3. Declarations of interest - none

4. Finance

4.1 Accounts for 2015-2016 – these had been circulated to members and following explanation were agreed nemcon, proposer GF, then signed.

4.2 To receive the report of the Internal Auditor and approve Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Return 2016 - the Clerk had arranged the audit and the report would be placed on circulation; Section 4 of the Annual Return had been signed off, so the Council approved Section 1 of the Annual Return, proposer JE; then, the Council approved Section 2 of the Annual Return, proposer PMcC, both nemcon.

4.3 To review and approve the Budget for 2016-2017 - this had been circulated to members and following explanation was agreed nemcon, proposer TL.

4.4 Internal Auditor – the Council agreed to re-appoint Mrs R Calvert as Internal auditor for 2016-17, proposer JH, agreed nemcon.

4.5 Responsible Financial Officer - the Council agreed to re-appoint the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer for 2016-17, proposer TL, agreed nemcon.

4.6 The following payments due were approved by the Council, proposer JE with all in favour:

- NALC subscription	£151.21	(cheque 0138)
- Ms R Calvert, internal audit fee	£35.00	(0139)
- Bacton Parish Council, multisports	£50.00	(0140)

The cheques were signed

5. The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21st March 2016 were approved, and signed, proposer PP, all in favour.

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6. Matters arising

6.1 NCC; highways matters – nil further but the Clerk had been in contact with NCC about the re-instatement of the yellow lines along the coast road, which will be completed in due course; a resident's letter and concern re yellow lines would be followed up by JH.

The meeting was adjourned briefly to hear from Cllr ES who set out the costs associated with changing 'yellow lines' most of which was absorbed by the long consultation procedure. The meeting resumed.

6.2 NCC; footpaths – nil further

6.3 Village sign restoration – no response to the notice for a volunteer had been received; JE undertook to look at an alternative reproduction of the sign and report back.

6.4 Community Resilience generator project – nil further from the APM.

7. Planning

7.1 D & J Love, variation of condition at Walcott Hall for 15/0386 (16/0210) - the Council had no objection.

7.2 Mr Mrs A Robinson, replacement with park home, The Glen, Helena Road (16/0277) - - the Council had no objection.

7.3 Any other planning business – NNDC, NCC change in consultation procedure; Cllr LW had been able to secure an assurance from NNDC that paper plans will be available for the foreseeable future. The Clerk advised that the matter was now being considered by the NNDC Scrutiny committee.

8. Reports

8.1 Clerk's report – the Clerk read the brief update from Shell about the gas site and he relayed a request from the Marine Conservation Society requesting support for their beach clearance work by volunteers. He would indicate support to the value of £50 (nett).

8.2 Member's reports (inc recommendations for village developments/projects)

JR asked about the legality of a road sign on private land.

TL asked the Clerk to alert NCC to the road works between the Village Hall and the shop where there was no activity.

CK asked that there should be a Saturday bus service – the Clerk would write to NCC.

The meeting closed at 21.07.

Signed: Chairman

Date: July 2016