

**MINUTES OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 2ND JUNE 2015 AT 7.15 P.M.
AT NORTH WOOTTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

Present: Councillors Pulsford-Harris (Chair), Border, Edwards, Duval, Cox, Merry, Kilham, Crome
In attendance: Mrs R Curtis (Clerk)

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chairman

Chair - Dorothy Pulsford-Harris, proposed by Will Border and seconded by Sarah Crome. There being no other nominations, Councillor Pulsford-Harris was elected as Chair.

Vice Chair - John Marshall-Grint, proposed by Sarah Crome, seconded by Malcolm Edwards. There being no other nominations, Councillor Marshall-Grint was elected as vice-chair.

2. Declaration of Acceptance of Office

All those Councillors present signed the declaration of acceptance of office, witnessed by the Clerk.

3. Apologies – Councillors Marshall-Grint, Malik, Nurse

4. Declaration of interest

None

5. Minutes of last meeting

It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 5th May 2015 be signed as a true record of the meeting.

6. Matters Arising

i) Clerk has requested paint from BT to re-paint the telephone box on the Green.

ii) The area of grass where Mrs Worledge fell belongs to Taylor Woodrow, Clerk has passed this information on to her.

iii) Clerk has written to the Rugby Club re the Autoglass vans using a container on their land, no response as yet.

7. Law and Order

Clerk had contacted the Police following up the issue with the management of parking for a previous football event at Wootton Park. The Police did not have problems with this, Clerk has requested for any advice on controlling parking for future events.

The meeting was closed for Open Forum.

8. Open Forum

i) A resident from Stock Lea Road reported a large tree overhanging in his garden, causing concern in the recent winds. He has contacted SWPC to seek permission to have the tree looked at by a tree surgeon, Clerk to contact SWPC also.

ii) The same resident also thanked the Parish Council for the updates on the work being done to resolve the situation of flooding on Prior Lane in bad weather. He also informed the Council he is in contact with Highways, for extra drainage in Stock Lea Road.

The meeting was re-opened.

9. Correspondence

BCKLWN	Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Pre-Submission Document (January 2015) has been submitted for independent examination to the Secretary of State. Examination hearings will commence at 10.00am on Tuesday 7 th July at the Wembley Room, Lynnsport. These sessions will run for a total of 10 days between 7 th and 29 th July.
Norfolk County Council	Norfolk Minerals Site Specific Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD). The next stage of the process is the "call for sites", when potential specific site allocations for silica sand extraction in the period up to 2026, can be proposed to Norfolk County Council. The deadline for landowners, mineral operators and their agents to submit sites to Norfolk County Council is 30 th June 2015.
Marie Curie	A fundraising event called 'Walk to Remember' is being held at Sandringham Estate on 15 th August. They are looking for volunteers to help man stations along the route and help with registrations. Rotary Clubs in East Anglia are raising funds for smoke alarms for the elderly and vulnerable groups, due to cuts in funding to the Fire Service. Volunteers from Parish Councils help to put up alarms and monitor them.

10. Finance

Bal. b/fwd. £61,682.00

Less:

DD – EON	664.73
Chq 001448 – CGM - Wootton Park - April	406.70
Chq 001449 – CGM – Greens - April	121.16
Chq 001450 – MC Nurse – Notice Board Repair	108.00
Chq 001451 – Westcotec – Maintenance – May	250.48
Chq 001452 – BCKLWN – Newsletter – June	31.90
Chq 001453 – R Curtis - Expenses	17.97
Chq 001454 – R Curtis Clerk Salary, (Dated 30 th June)	429.00

TOTAL 2,029.94

Add:

HMRC – VAT **750.22**

Made up as follows

Saffron Building Society	13,863.00 (maturity date 7.11.15.)
Lloyds Gold deposit a/c (Easy saver)	45,859.51
Lloyds current a/c	679.77
	60,402.28

The above expenditure was approved for payment.

11. Highways

Rangers visit the week commencing 6th July, Clerk to report that area in front of the bus stop has a dip and needs attention as it fills with rainwater.

The recent problem of flooding on Priory Lane was discussed, Clerk to chase Highways and ask when jetting work will be done to the drain.

12. Wootton Park

i) Cllr Border reported that the tree stumps have been ground out, making the park area look tidier when mown.

ii) Cllr Pulsford-Harris will give her apologies for the next meeting on 22nd September.

13. Street lighting

The 3 year maintenance contract with Westcotec in coming to an end, following correspondence from the company the Council decided to request a survey of the streelights with a view to changing heads to LED lamps. Westcotec advised there would be an initial outlay of costs for the work to be done, but the benefits in decreased energy costs would soon outweigh these. Clerk to follow up.

14. Planning

No applications received.

Clerk to ask Freebridge Housing for an update on the proposed development at Priory Road.

15. Village Hall

Councillor Kilham had nothing new to report.

16. The Village

i) The Council are unhappy with the cutting of the Greens carried out by CGM, in particular the clumps of grass left and frequency of cutting. Clerk to contact Ian Burton.

ii) There is a lot of tree debris in the dykes on Wootton Park, Clerk to ask SWPC if Ryan can clear them out.

iii) Cllr Pulsford-Harris suggested that a walk around the Village in August when there is no Parish Council meeting to look at areas that could be improved, in particular with bulb planting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.00pm

..... Chairman Date