

COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday, January 17th 2017 in the Pavilion, Walpole at 7-30pm.

Minutes:

Present:

Cllr. David Cask (Chairman); Cllr. A. Thomas (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. S. Moore (from 7-38pm); Cllr. David Whitwood and Cllr. J. Winter:

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk) and one member of the public (until 7-38pm):

1) Apologies:

Cllr. R. Chase; Cllr. N. Jarvis; Cllr. I. Newton; Cllr. Z. Mair; Cllr. M. Wenham and District & County Cllr. Stephen Burroughes:

2) To receive declarations of interest:

Cllr. A. Thomas – CEA and Cookpole:

3) Requests for dispensations:

There were no requests for dispensation.

4) Co-option of One Councillor:

a) To consider the applicant that has applied for the vacancy on the Council:

Susan Moore was co-opted on to the Council unanimously.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Seconded: Cllr. D. Whitwood:

b) To receive the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and to note any declarations of interest if co-opted:

Cllr. S. Moore signed the Declaration of Office.

5) To receive a report from the County and District Councillor:

As County and District Cllr. S. Burroughes had sent his apologies, his written reports were read by councillors. The Clerk said that County and District Cllr. S. Burroughes had asked if the Council would be happy to host a meeting regarding having a Vehicle Activation Sign for the parishes in his county ward. The Council agreed to host his meeting. Following a discussion on Flagship Housing, it was also agreed that Cllr. A. Thomas would contact officers at Suffolk Coastal District Council.

6) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

7) To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on November 22nd 2016:

The Minutes were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Second: Cllr. D. Whitwood:

To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on December 14th 2016:

The Minutes were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Second: Cllr. D. Whitwood:

8) Matters arising: To discuss issues in the Minutes but not on the Agenda.

Cllr. A. Thomas said that she was meeting the Community Payback Manager the next day regarding the Playing Field. Councillors were asked to think of any other initiatives that would benefit from Community Payback.

9) Initiatives to cut Speeding:

It was thought that this had been discussed in Agenda Item 5.

10) Defibrillator:

There was no report as Cllr. R. Chase was not at the meeting.

11) Planning Matters:

Rear single storey extension:

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The Clerk reported that these had been discussed and approved at the December 14th 2016 Planning Meeting.

12) Clerk's Report and Correspondence:

The Clerk said that he had received a card from Halesworth Town Council, a Desktop Calendar, a Community Payback letter requesting work, the 'Local Councillor' Newspaper and Sizewell C Consultation Information. The Clerk also said that he had letter from Barclays regarding the Council's complaint and had found that £245 has been paid to the Council's Bank Account. The Clerk said that he had also received an Electoral Register Request Form and the Cookley and Walpole PC Precept Letter which confirmed that no extra money was forthcoming in addition to the precept.

13) Financial Report:

a) Balances at the Bank on January 7th 2017:

Business Community Account	£5 350-41
Business Premium Account	£1 096-20

b) Cheques for payment: To review receipts and approve payments.

Chq. No. 100946	Walpole & Cookley Playing Field Trust	£126-00
Chq. No. 100947	Cllr. M. Porter	£30-00

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Seconder: Cllr. D. Winter:

c) Payments Received:

Funeral Directors – Burial	£120-00
Barclays Bank - Compensation	£245-00

14) To agree Council Risk Assessment Procedures:

The Council Risk Assessment Procedures were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Seconder: Cllr. D. Whitwood:

15) To agree Council Asset Register:

The Council Asset Register was agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Thomas: Seconder: Cllr. D. Winter:

16) To receive reports on the:

a) Village Green:

The Council noted and thanked Paul Grimwood for providing the electricity for the Christmas Lights on the Village Green.

b) Flagship Affordable Homes:

There was no report.

c) Highways:

There was no report as Cllr. Porter was not present. The Council though discussed the condition of the road at the corner near the bridge on the B1117. It was also noted that a water main had burst at Gillett's Lane.

d) Footpaths:

It was reported that a sign was broken at Cookley but a new sign was going up soon.

e) Trees:

There was no report.

f) Cemetery:

The Clerk reported that there had been one burial and one interment.

g) CEA & Allotments:

Cllr. Thomas said that she had nothing to report.

h) External Meetings & Training:

It was agreed that Cllr. Susan Moore was to have training in her new role.

The Meeting ended at 9pm: