

## NEW WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NEW WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2015 AT THE NEW WALTHAM VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Cllr G Williams (Chair)  
Councillors G Baker, R Barber, R Breed, D Croy, J Dolphin,  
J Matthews, C Mumby, J North, B Page, D Raper and P Simpson

**Officers:** L Dyas, Clerk to the Council

**Also present:** Councillors J Fenty and S Harness (Ward Councillors)  
2 members of the public

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15/032	<p><b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b> Apologies were received from Cllr Norton and PC D Copley</p>	
15/033	<p><b><u>Declarations of Interest under Code of Conduct 2012</u></b> (A) Cllr Baker declared a personal interest in agenda item 15/036 403 Louth Road and 15/039(h) (B) Cllr Mumby declared a personal interest in agenda item 15/036 Land off Ellen Way (C) Cllr North declared a personal interest in agenda item 15/039(f) (D) Cllr Matthews declared a personal interest in agenda item 15/036 Land at Louth Road</p> <p>There were no dispensations issued in respect of the business to be transacted.</p>	
15/034	<p><b><u>Minutes of meetings</u></b> (A) <b>Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015:</b> Cllr Williams had asked Cllr North to rescind the remark he had made under agenda item 15/024(C) regarding the Chair preventing the Clerk from issuing any pre-meeting information for the meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015. To date, Cllr North had not rescinded his remark. (B) Under agenda item 15/031(b), Cllr Raper had said that if any amendments were to be made to the NELC/Town &amp; Parish Charter, would councillors bring their copies in with amendments.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> That the minutes be accepted and agreed as a true record.</p>	
15/035	<p><b><u>Police &amp; Community Reports</u></b> (A) <b><u>Community Pride Team/YPSS</u></b> No reports were received from the Community Pride Team or YPSS (B) <b><u>Police Report</u></b> Reports were received from PC D Copley and NPT Support Officer A Wood. As from the 15<sup>th</sup> April, Immingham NPT will be covering the Grimsby Rural NPT which will include New Waltham. The Chair said he had e-mailed Inspector Neil Pattison inviting himself or his officers to future meetings; however, he was informed that no one would be able to attend future council meetings. Cllr Baker said he would have liked to see some consultation about the future intentions of the police rather than being presented with a fait accompli. The Chair will e-mail Inspector N Pattison's response so everyone has a copy of their e-mail addresses.</p>	

	<p>There were 23 reported crimes for March with a significant increase in anti-social behaviour incidents (21) – mostly around Greenlands, Farmhouse Mews and Drury Lane. The Chair and the Ward Councillors have also been involved in this. A covert CCTV was set up in Greenlands.</p> <p><b><u>Public Consultation</u></b>  The Chair opened the public consultation session at 7.15pm  The Chair introduced Nick Shaw, from the Alberty Way Neighbourhood Watch. Mr Shaw said the same names seemed to be cropping up with regard to ASB incidents. The Police have spoken to the youths concerned, but nothing formal has happened. Information regarding ASB incidents is only put on the New Waltham Community FB page after the Police have been informed. Mr Goring said he would like to thank the Parish Council, the Ward Councillors and the Police for all the work they have carried out regarding the article in the Grimsby Evening Telegraph about the people who were wrongly accused. The Chair said they were pleased a statement had been issued by the G.E.T. and as far as New Waltham Parish Council was concerned, they had now moved on. The Chair thanked Mr Goring for his comments and all the support received from residents in the village.  Public consultation closed at 7.22pm</p> <p>The Chair said we needed to encourage the community to report incidents to the Police first before reporting it on Facebook, rather than the other way round.</p> <p>The Chair opened the public consultation session again at 7.25pm  Mr Shaw said that people are reporting incidents to 101 but as no one answered, they took to Facebook to warn people.  Public consultation closed at 7.30pm  Cllr Baker reported an incident whereby he rang 999 but was told to ring 101. However, after 11 minutes of waiting, he rang 999 again.  The Chair said the Police were patrolling the village tonight.</p>	
15/036	<p><b><u>Planning Matters</u></b></p> <p><b><u>DM/0175/15/FUL – 83 Peaks Lane, New Waltham</u></b>  Demolish existing sun room and erect single storey extension to rear with alterations  <b>Resolved:</b> That the application is supported</p> <p><b><u>DM/0167/15/FUL – 380 Louth Road, New Waltham</u></b>  Two storey detached property with attached garage and driveway  <b>Resolved:</b> That the application is supported</p> <p><b><u>DM/0118/15/OUT – Land at Louth Road, New Waltham</u></b>  Outline application with access to be considered for residential development of up to 384 dwellings, a public house (use class A4) local shops and services (use class A1-A5 inclusive of D1) and the provision of open space and associated infrastructure  A communication had been received from Waltham Parish Council regarding comments they had made to NELC; the Council agreed with the comments made by WPC. The Chair said it was the wrong development in the wrong area and requested the Clerk to make the following comments to Planning</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Waltham Parish Council supports the comments made by Waltham Parish Council.</li> <li>- Concerns were raised over road safety and future congestion at the Station Road and Louth Road roundabout.</li> <li>- The development is also too close to the A16.</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved:</b> The Council does not support the application  <b>DM/0171/15/FUL – Land off Ellen Way, New Waltham</b>  Erection of 5 detached houses with three detached garages and extension to the existing highway to form a turning area with associated landscaping, materials and fencing  <b>Resolved:</b> That the application is supported  <b>DM/0190/15/FUL – 43 Louth Road, New Waltham</b>  Erect single storey extension to rear  <b>Resolved:</b> That the application is supported  <b>DM/0186/15/OUT – Land at 239 Station Road, New Waltham</b>  Outline application to erect two dwellings with layout and access to be considered  <b>Resolved:</b> That the application is supported  <b>Other Planning Matters:</b>  <b>DM/0107/14/FUL</b> - The Chair reported that an application for 50 houses at Altyre Way had been passed by the Planning Committee and the development will now go ahead.</p>	
15/037 (A)  (B)  (C)	<p><b>Future Dates</b>  The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 - this will also include the AGM. The Returning Officer has until the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 to let the Clerk know who has been elected and with the required 3 days' notice to issue the agenda, the 20<sup>th</sup> May is the earliest date when the meeting can be convened.</p> <p>(B) The next Village Day meeting will be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at St Matthews' Church</p> <p>(C) A meeting of the Pavilion Management Group will be held on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2015 at the Pavilion.</p>	
15/038 (A)  (B)  (C)  (D)	<p><b>Reports</b>  <b>Village Hall Committee Meeting</b> – Cllr Mumby said there was no meeting in March and the next meeting will be held in July.</p> <p>(B) <b>The Town &amp; Parish Council Liaison Committee</b> – This will be held on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 p.m. in the Grimsby Town Hall. Cllr Raper will not be attending but Cllr Breed will be present.</p> <p>(C) <b>Pavilion Management Group Meeting</b> – The Chair went through the make-up of the committee and all the issues raised. An inventory of the Pavilion has been carried out.</p> <p>(D) <b>Grant Thorold Bowls Club Meeting</b> – The Clerk attended this meeting when it was decided to disband the club due to a declining membership. Some keys to the Pavilion have been returned. However, the New Waltham Bowls Club still want to continue using the bowling green and would like to work with NWPC.</p>	
15/039 (A)	<p><b>Parish Council Matters</b>  <b>To consider how NWPC will administer the Young People's Drop In</b> – This agenda item was brought forward. The Chair said that at the last meeting, a proposal was put forward on how to run the Young People's Drop In centre with a qualified youth worker and 2 volunteers, from 6-9pm on a Thursday. Cllr Baker had taken away the proposal and was now in full agreement.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p>	

	<p>However, the transfer of assets from NELC continued to be a stumbling block. The Chair had discussed the issue with the Leader and the Chief Executive and a Tenancy of Will from 6-9pm on a Thursday night was suggested. Hopefully the handover will formally take place this week. The Chair said the qualified youth worker can now be approached and they were looking at opening the drop in centre on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2015</p> <p><b>(B) Application to Tesco for grant funding to supply exercise equipment for older residents</b> – Jenny Fallon, the Community Champion for Tesco, said there was a fund open for £500-£2000.00 for projects within the community. The village is lacking in exercise equipment for older residents and the equipment is available as part of the Olympic legacy. It can go on the village green and the Chair would like to see support from the council. There is also funding from Jewson’s or Sport England. 7 items can be purchased for £2500.00 and then apply to Jewson’s for other equipment.</p> <p><b>(C) Resolved:</b> To make an application to Tesco’s for funding</p> <p><b>Transfer of Assets from NELC – Update</b> – A positive meeting was held with the Assets Team. An Officer Decision Record will be completed and will then go to the Portfolio Holder, Leader and Chief Executive for approval. However, still awaiting approval. Cllr Fenty asked if the Chair would like him to assist the process; the Chair replied yes and thanked Cllr Fenty for his support.</p> <p><b>(D) New Waltham Village Hall – assistance for purchase of a lid for the rubbish store</b> - The Chair said the rubbish store was not suitable and the NWVH should explore the possibility of a wheelie bin. The rubbish was now stored in a bin at the allotments. Mr Goring said they had received a price of £180.00 for the replacement metal lid. Cllr Baker asked that as the Chair worked in the waste industry, whether there was an alternative for the rubbish store. The Chair said that as NWVH was a commercial site, there should be an agreement in place with a commercial waste provider. Mr Goring said 20 bags of rubbish/week were taken away by NELC. The Chair requested this was rolled over to the next agenda and proposed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Contact NELC to site another bin at the allotments</li> <li>- Talk to M Matthews and Gary at NWVH and see what they need from the council to make it safe.</li> </ul> <p><b>(E) Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p> <p><b>Expressions of Interest for procurement of maintenance of conservation area (Priors Green)</b> – The Clerk said that no expressions of interest had been received. It was proposed that the Clerk should carry out more research and roll this over to the next agenda.</p> <p><b>(F) Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p> <p><b>Decision on the future of the litter picker</b> – Advice has been taken from ERNLLCA and it was stated that Shaw Trust was responsible for redundancy costs. However, NWPC signed the agreement 20 years ago and it has not been updated since. The question was do the council want to continue with the services of the litter picker? Cllr North said that about 3-4 months ago, the council voted on the future of the litter picker, with which the Chair agreed. However, Shaw Trust intend to make him redundant as they will no longer receive the funding from October 2015, and NWPC will have to pay a 100% redundancy payment. The council has 2 choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pay redundancy costs with 20 years’ service</li> <li>- Employ the litter picker with 20 years’ service under TUPE arrangements</li> </ul>	
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	<p>The Chair asked whether NWPC wish to continue with the employment of the litter picker.  <b>Resolved:</b> The proposal was supported  The Chair said we should write to Shaw Trust and advise them that we shall employ the litter picker with immediate effect  <b>Resolved:</b> The council supported this proposal  The Clerk to organise a meeting with Shaw Trust to discuss G Major's future.</p> <p><b>(G) Format of newsletter</b> - The Chair proposed this was rolled over until after the election  <b>Resolved:</b> The proposal was supported</p> <p><b>(H) Notice of appointment of date of Exercise of Electors' rights – location to be considered</b> - It was suggested the Pavilion be used for this purpose  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p> <p><b>(I) Appointment of auditor for annual return 2014/15</b> – The Chair said the auditor carried out a good job last year and recommended he should be appointed for the 2014/15 internal audit.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal  Cllr Breed disagreed with some of the comments the auditor had put in his report. The Chair said this was due to incomplete documentation which was handed over. Cllr Baker did not agree with Cllr Breed. The Clerk was asked to contact Richard Dixon.</p> <p><b>(J) Quotation for purchase of flag on village green</b> – The Clerk had circulated a quote from the company who had previously supplied the flag at a cost of £58.95 (inc delivery). The Chair had obtained another quote which was £57.00 + delivery, therefore it was proposed to purchase the flag from Harrison External Display Systems.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p> <p><b>(K) Commissioner's Crime Reduction Fund Application</b> - NELC have given a cost of £12,650.00 for the supply and installation of CCTV at Greenlands shops and the Pavilion. The Clerk has completed the application and the Chair proposed the form should be sent  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal  (There was one absent voter – Cllr J North)</p> <p><b>(L) To receive the resignation of Mrs L Dyas as Parish Clerk</b> – The Clerk has given one month's notice and offered to stay on until the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015. Cllr Baker proposed the resignation was accepted and said the Clerk had done a sterling job. The Chair thanked the Clerk for her hard work.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p> <p><b>(M) To agree a format and timescale to recruit a new Parish Clerk</b> – The Chair volunteered for this Committee along with Cllrs Breed, Baker and Page. There would be a committee of 3 with 1 reserve. The Chair suggested the committee has full delegated powers to take it as far as the final stage.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal  An advert required inserting in the Cleethorpes Chronicle, G.E.T, and the Parish Council website with a closing date of the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2015. The Committee will then come up with a shortlist of candidates.  <b>Resolved:</b> The Council supported the proposal</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p><b>15/040 (a)</b></p>	<p><b>Finance</b>  The payment of £1.00 to NELC was queried. The Chair said this was a peppercorn rent for the allotments  <b>Resolved:</b> To agree the list of cheques as per the statement</p>	

15/041	<b><u>Any Other Business</u></b>	
(a)	The Chair thanked everyone for contributing to the community clear up on the 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2015. The village looks a lot tidier but there is still a lot of work to do.	
(b)	When the Chair, Clerk and Cllr Page went to the election briefing, one of the items discussed by S McGrath, supported by Rob Walsh, was no comments to be posted on social media as this could potentially be a police matter.	
(c)	Cllr Raper said the plastic posts near Toll Bar Academy have been taken. The Chair will investigate this.	Chair
(d)	Cllr Simpson has offered to do the raffle on Village Day for children. The Chair will bring this up at the next Village Day meeting.	Chair
(e)	Cllr Baker said that a task force for Healthy Lives for Healthy Futures would be targeting New Waltham and Humberston and asked for this to go on the next agenda.	
(f)	Cllr Mumby asked if the litter picker's schedule could be amended to include Louth Road as the westerly winds blows the rubbish down there. The Chair said the schedule could be revised.	
	The meeting closed at 8.58pm	
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