

Holkham Parish Council

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Minutes of meeting held at Heritage House, Wells Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 1830

NB: This meeting was postponed from 12 March as several Councillors could not make that date.

Present Harvey Gunhouse, Clary Harvey, Elaine Hendry, Emma Sargent

Keith Leesmith (Clerk), Michael Dalby (NCC), Peter Fisher (NNDC)

Laura Bailey, Mark Morrell (prospective Councillors)

1) Apologies Daisy Hone

1b) Election of Chairman Emma Sargent was

elected as temporary Chairman for the meeting.

2) **Declarations of Interest** None

3) Minutes of the Meeting held 9 January 2024 Agreed and signed

4) Reports

a) Norfolk County Council

Michael Dalby had sent a report which was distributed to Councillors. This is appended to these minutes and appears on the website. With regard to the hoped-for reduced speed limit, he had spoken to Andrew Jameson who was happy to proceed with the idea, but Highways were "unable to find" the original money pot. With the County Council being so hard-up at present, it looks as if we will have to think again on this.

Michael Dalby left to attend meetings elsewhere.

b) North Norfolk District Council

Peter Fisher had sent a report which had been distributed to Councillors. This is appended to these Minutes and appears on the website. As well as the advertised changes to bin collections from 8 April, there will also be changes before that due to the Easter bank holidays.

c) Parish Clerk

KL had provided a report to Councillors which is attached to these minutes and appears on the website. After distributing his report, he had received a "special offer" of a radar sign (which tells drivers if they are exceeding the speed limit). However, this was £4000 which is currently more than our total precept.

5) To discuss any Planning Matters to hand Nothing to hand.

6) To discuss financial appeals from local organisations.

We had received appeals during the last year from Priscilla Bacon Lodge in Norwich – which we believed was already built, and from Heritage House. It was resolved to donate the whole budget (£200) to Heritage House.

7) Financial Report and Accounts for Settlement

A bank reconciliation had been circulated to Councillors.

No payments had been made since the last meeting.

A form was signed by signatories to enable CH to become a bank account signatory.

8) To discuss search for additional Councillors

Laura Bailey and Mark Morell had attended the meeting to see if they would like to become Councillors. At this point they were asked if they would like to proceed, and since they would it was decided to coopt them with immediate effect. KL took their contact details and got them to sign Declarations of Acceptance of Office, and also provided them with the website link for the register of interests form.

9) To discuss possibility of improving "community spirit" in the village

Nothing to report at this time.

10) Minor Matters

EH was unhappy about the number of potholes on the track behind the Ancient House and also near to the Adnams shop. KL would ask the Estate to attend to them.

11) To confirm date of next meeting

ES was unable to attend a meeting on the planned date of 14 May. It was therefore resolved to move the meeting to one week earlier:

Next Meeting Tuesday 7 May at 1830 at Heritage House.

The meeting closed at 1925.