

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE WENN EVANS CENTRE
ON MONDAY 4TH AUGUST 08 AT 7.30 P.M.**

1. Attendance

Lee Walker, Jane Archer, Thomas Love, Carol Palfrey, David Mole, Cubitt Siely, Vic Gardner, Glenn Berry, Peter Gore, David Pugh, Clive Stockton, Paul Morse, County Councillor, Nicky Wyatt (minute taker).

Apologies

Stuart Wyatt

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

3. Declaration of Interest

Thomas Love	-	Walcott Parish Council
Vic Gardner	-	Walcott Parish Council
David Pugh	-	Allotments
Lee Walker	-	Planning

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Sea Defences Update

Clive Stockton reported to those present that he had met with Phil Wallace. The Environment Agency are to carry out work on the Shoreline Management Plan, also will be investigating the end of Doggets Lane. It was stated that the Shoreline Management Plan must be revisited, but Mr Stockton is still awaiting written instructions.

Adaptation Project, meetings have been held and Phil Wallace has asked them to look in more detail re purchase and lease for properties that cannot be defended. This is a big step forward.

It was reported that the work carried out at Thurne Valley has been very worthwhile, and will defend for at least 50 years; this will be looked at again for the possibility of 100 years.

It has also been passed to have the rocks placed in front of the caravans.

It was brought to the meeting's notice concerns regarding the sea levels rising, as a 100 year plan would then be a waste of time if the waters rose up to a metre. It was stated that after 50 years, options would then be looked at again.

4.2 Parish Split

Tax Base	Happisburgh	57.3%
	Walcott	47.2%

It was agreed at the meeting that Walcott will receive from Happisburgh 47.2% of what is left in the current account and from reserves.

The meeting was asked if this was agreeable in principle

9 yes 2 abstained.

4.3 Speech Watch Scheme

3 members of the public have shown an interest in this scheme. The Police are not keen to have people in their own community carrying this out in view of potential problems

It was suggested a Gateway Treatment approach may be used, which would not spoil the surroundings and be less expensive than signs. Lee Walker to speak to Steve White regarding this.

4.4. Ministers Visit

Covered in 4.1.

5. Public Question Time

No members of public.

Paul Morse Update

Paul Morse reported to those present that Happisburgh Primary had recently been Ofsted inspected and received a 2, which is a very good achievement.

Local Government Review, it seems that a lot of people are not aware of this; the consultation period is until the end of September. Paul stated that people need to look at this in more detail.

Changes to Adult Social Services, a corporate assessment taken at the local County Council, results in end of September.

Clive Stockton brought to the attention Mr Morse, road closures from East Ruston on the main road to Stalham, for two weeks, no one had had any notification of this in Happisburgh. Paul said that he would look into this, but being that it is East Ruston Parish, they should have communicated with other Parishes.

It was also asked what the outcome was of the fence at Lighthouse Lane; Lee said that she would speak to Steve White at Highways regarding this.

Lee asked those present to let her know of any other concerns that she could take to Steve White.

Glenn Berry asked if she could mention the flooding at Grub Street.

6. **New Items**

Allotments – Lee Walker wrote to Mr Pratt, asking for acknowledgement of the outcome of the last meeting, no acknowledgement has been received. It was agreed that the Parish Council write to Mr Pratt again, to ask his confirmation and understanding of this, the letter should have a time limit for response.

7. **Correspondence**

Lee Walker has received another e-mail from Mr and Mrs Steward, she responded to this on 12th June quoting the dates and times of the Parish Council Meetings.

It was agreed that their grievances be adjourned until they attend a meeting, where these can be aired in front of the Council.

Glenn Berry stated that he had received correspondence regarding the Local Government Meeting at the Council Offices at Cromer on 7th August, if anyone would like to attend. Other meetings to do with this are on 13th August at Aylsham and 18th August at Acle. Glenn will attend the Acle one.

Correspondence re Broads Consultation.

Outcome of Jet Ski Meeting – Cubitt Siely and Lee Walker attended. It was noted that all access points to beaches in North Norfolk are historical and are public rights of way and that it is entirely legal to launch jet skis. All present agreed that it would be better if this was managed, Cart Gap would be a suitable site, which would also take the pressure off Sea Palling.

Correspondence also received to say that Planning and Site Meetings can be attended.

North East Norfolk have written to say that they will help to save Happisburgh, but as to date, nothing has been heard from them.

8. **Finance Report**

This was tabled.

It was agreed that Walcott would be removed from Standing Orders.

9. **Planning**

One planning application – all agreed.

10 **Any Other Business**

It was asked how the councillors would like members of public to contact them. All agreed that e-mail was perfectly fine. Lee Walker stated that due to no expenses being paid, councillors do not have to use their personal computers or telephones. Carol pointed out that contact details published do have personal e-mails and telephone numbers, and this should not be changed. Perhaps being changed to say that councillors can be contacted Monday to Friday until 7.30 p.m.

It has been agreed that the Parish Council Minutes will be published on the website.

Carol Palfrey asked if Lee Walker could chase up the signs to the Wenn Evans and Playing Fields.

David Mole attended the Wenn Evans Centre AGM Meeting.

David Pugh stated that he had spoken to all allotment tenants regarding the rabbit problem, they are all in agreement for someone to shoot them. David Pugh has arranged for someone to do this if consent from Parish Council. Parish Council agreed. David will send a letter to all allotment tenants to inform them of this.

Clive Stockton sent his apologies for the September meeting.

10. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Monday 29th September 2008