

Walsoken Parish Council Minutes
of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th November 2019
held in Walsoken Village Hall at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Councillors Fred Leach (Chair), John Woolley (Vice Chair), Clive Bettinson, Barry Sisson, Chris Luff, Allan Landall, Joanna Woolley, John Harwin and Andy Houghton (arrived 7.10pm).
 Borough Cllr Julian Kirk.

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116	<u>Public Participation</u> None present.
117	<u>Apologies</u> Cllr Jenny Snow – family commitment and County Cllr Sandra Squire – illness.
118	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> None.
119	<u>Urgent Matters</u> None reported.
120	<u>Approval of the Minutes</u> The Minutes of the meeting held 8 th October 2019 had been circulated and were approved as a true and accurate record, proposed by Cllr Joanna Woolley seconded Cllr Sisson signed by Cllr Fred Leach.
121	<u>Matters Arising</u> a) Council website Counter statistics – Clerk reported the user statistics as at 25 th November 2019 as 15 visitors that day, 22 previous day, 180 the last 7 days, 694 the last 30 days and 7,985 in the last year. b) Concerns in Burrett Road dwelling – Clerk had circulated emails from officers of Kings Lynn Borough Council namely two Community Safety and Neighbourhood Nuisance Officers, CSNN) Planning Enforcement Officer and Housing Standards Officer. All officers had visited the property and spoken to the residents and the landlord and could find no evidence of a House in Multiple Occupation but classed the property as a single family dwelling. A request was made to reduce the number of cars and a subsequent visit confirmed they had been. The tenant had advised them that he is employed full time locally and does car repairs as a hobby. Complainants were advised to fill in a diary sheet to submit the barking dog noise nuisance. The CSNN officer had no concerns about the condition of the garden (front and back) and confirmed the property is occupied by a family. It was decided that the Parish Council could do no more at the present time.
122	<u>Planning</u> a) The Planning Report – the Planning Report had been circulated to councillors, and was noted. b) Notification of new property address – it was noted that the change of address related to application 19/00963/F and one of the residents had advised a councillor that they had been asked to name the site.
123	<u>Church and War Memorial</u> a) Beech stump carving – Cllr Landall advised that the Parochial Church Council was willing to support any reasonable suggestions. None had been put forward to date. b) Churchyard maintenance – Cllr Landall felt the grass had been left too long over the winter and asked if the following points could be included in the 2020 contract - 1. A final grass cut at the end of October. 2. The moss on the paths is treated at the same time as spraying the weeds. Clerk to ask Idverde and ISS for quotes for 2020.
124	<u>Street Lighting</u> a) Sparrowgate Road – it was noted that the light on the wooden pole was being worked on today, which was reported as needing the original LED fitting replaced. b) Churchyard light – it was noted the replacement bulb is much brighter.
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c)	<p>Clr Sisson proposed the payments be accepted, seconded by Cllr Joanna Woolley, all in agreement. Draft Budget and Precept – the draft Budget figures and Precept for the year ending March 2021 had been circulated and were noted. A decision on the final figures will be made at the January meeting. Donation requests – requests from Norfolk Accident Rescue Service (NARS), Norfolk Citizens Advice and Norfolk Age UK were considered. Cllr Joanna Woolley proposed a donation of £100 is sent to NARS, seconded by Cllr Landall, unanimously agreed. Clerk to ask how NARS is contacted in the event of an emergency. The two requests from Norfolk Citizens Advice and Norfolk Age UK were declined.</p>																																																											
126	<p>Highways a) Monitoring Report– had been circulated and was noted. b) Pothole in Burrett Road – Clerk to report a large pothole in Burrett Road north of Blunts Tunnel.</p>																																																											
127	<p>2020 meeting dates The dates had been circulated and were agreed subject to the availability of the Village Hall.</p>																																																											
128	<p>Allotments Nothing to report.</p>																																																											
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131	<p>Agenda items for the next meeting The meeting was closed at 8pm. The next meeting is on Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 7pm at Walsoken Village Hall.</p>																																																											

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