

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CROMER TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE PARK AT 7PM ON 30 JUNE 2015**

PRESENT

Mayor Cllr. T. Adams, Deputy Mayor Cllr. T. Bartlett,
Cllr. J. Bond, Cllr. D. Conisbee, Cllr. J. Frosdick, Cllr. J. Hamilton-Emery,
Cllr. D. Pritchard, Cllr. D. Russell, Cllr. G. Smith, Cllr. B. Stibbons, Cllr. A. Yiasimi

Mrs. J. Chance (Town Clerk), Mrs. J. Warner (Deputy Town Clerk)

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Leeds (work), Cllr. Plewman (family emergency), Cllr. Rattle (Prior engagement) and Cllr. Nolan (holiday).

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr. Yiasimi declared an interest in respect of being a member of NNDC.
All councillors present declared an interest in respect of being patients at Cromer Group Practice.

3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

4. **CABELL PARK**

The lifting of the open space restrictions specified in the 1922 trust deed were discussed and response **AGREED** as follows:

1. Cromer Town Council support the lifting of the open space restrictions in the trust deed for the provision of a replacement Doctors surgery needed by the town.
2. This Town council recognizes the need to conserve and protect public open space, sports and playing pitch facilities in the town.
3. New open space restrictions, protections and usage rights in the spirit and meaning of those intended by the bequest of Mrs Bond Cabbell in the 1922 Trust Deed should be placed upon:
 - a) The new sports facility recognizing the rights of use for Cromer Town FC alongside Cromer Towns Women's FC, Cromer Youth FC and other applicable sports teams and clubs to use the facility.
 - b) The retained sports facility at the rear of the existing Cabbell Park site recognizing Cromer Town FC's right to use the site until an agreed and accessible replacement facility is developed within the town.

4. This council recognizes the importance of Cromer Town FC to Cromer's heritage and the importance sport has to the future of Cromer's community. Therefore

a) The need and ability of Cromer Town FC to raise funds should be allowed and maintained throughout this process with Cromer Town FC able to hold events and sales at the grounds and have the provision of club house facilities needed.

b) Cromer Town FC should be allowed to meet current ground needs specified under the Football Association's National Ground Grading relevant to their current league, the Anglian Combination. All needs such as floodlighting, security of tenure, parking and club house facilities should be taken into account. Any deviation from this could result in relegation from their current league and damage to the club. Cromer Town FC should also be allowed scope to make improvements needed to the grounds, with relevant permissions, in the event of likely promotion to higher leagues.

5. Cabbell Park's status as a World War One war memorial needs to be retained, either at the current site or new facility.

Taking all opportunities to recognize the sacrifice of those lost from Cromer and including those not recognized on the war memorial outside St Peter & St Paul's Church in the town. All activities need to be carried out with the utmost sensitivity given the current centenary period of the First World War.

6. This Council recognizes the need for NNDC to advertise for 2 weeks, their intended disposal of the open space covenants in the Trust deed relevant to Cabbell Park and consider any objections received.

This is specified in section 122/123 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1972. However, in the advertisement distributed, no detailed mention is made of the restrictions in the 1922 Trust Deed.

We therefore instruct the Clerk to write to Steve Blatch (cc Sheila Oxtoby & Tom Fitzpatrick) pointing out we do not believe the correct procedure has been observed in this case and ask for an explanation and query the validity of this procedure.

5. **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:** 7pm, 06 July 2015

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting.

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Signed

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