

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CROMER TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE PARK ON 06 JULY 2015**

PRESENT

Mayor Cllr. T. Adams, Deputy Mayor Cllr. T. Bartlett,
Cllr. D. Conisbee, Cllr. J. Frosdick, Cllr. J. Hamilton-Emery,
Cllr. P. Harris (from item 4.2), Cllr. R. Leeds, Cllr. D. Pritchard, Cllr. J. Rattle,
Cllr. D. Russell, Cllr. G. Smith, Cllr. B. Stibbons, Cllr. A. Yiasimi

Mrs. J. Chance (Town Clerk), Mrs. J. Warner (Deputy Town Clerk)
County Cllr. H. Cox, Dist. Cllr. N. Pearce
P.C.S.O. Slade (to item 4 incl)
Ms. S. Oxtoby & Mr. T. Fitzpatrick, NNDC (to item 5 incl)
Mr. J. Begley (to item 6 incl)
Dr. G. Baker, Cromer Academy (to item 8 incl)
N N News reporter Sophie Biddle
3 members of the public

1. **MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 18 MAY 2015,
03 JUNE 2015, 22 JUNE 2015 & 30 JUNE 2015**

It was unanimously **AGREED** that the minutes of the Town Council meetings held on 18 May 2015, 03 June 2015, 22 June 2015 & 30 June 2015 be **APPROVED**. The minutes were signed by the Mayor.

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

Members declared interests as follows:

Cllr. Bartlett – Cromer Preservation Society

Cllr. Yiasimi – North Lodge Park

Cllr. Russell – East of England Ambulance Service

It was noted that declaration forms would be completed by all members declaring an interest.

3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were considered and accepted from Cllr Bond (illness), Cllr. Nolan (holiday) and Cllr. Plewman (family emergency).

*It was **AGREED** that the following item be brought forward on the agenda.*

4. **POLICE**

4.1 **Report from PCSO**

PCSO Slade presented the police report (refer attached).

PCSO Slade left the meeting.

5. **COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCIL**

5.1 **Update from Sheila Oxtoby and Tom Fitzpatrick, NNDC**

Updates were provided on the Skatepark, the WW1 Poppy Sculpture, Cabbell Park and the forthcoming review of the Local Development Framework. It was noted that the Town Council have committed to the transfer of North Lodge Park.

Members were advised that NNDC are looking at ways of providing one rapid charge point for electric cars in each main town in North Norfolk but that this needs to be cost neutral to the council tax payer.

Concern was raised in respect of the issue of the homeless sleeping rough in the area. Cllr. Cox advised that the Housing Dept. are very aware of this and are liaising very closely with the Police. Guidance is given to the homeless to provide them with information in respect of public conveniences, Salvation Army, Foodbank etc. It was agreed to arrange a meeting to discuss this issue further.

5.2 **Updates from County Councillor and District Councillors**

Cllr. Cox provided an update on NCC matters which included the NDR and Postwick Hub, Hazardous Waste Amnesty (Hempnell, 5 & 6 September), Marriotts Way trail, new Dementia Friends group, Library Challenge, Skatepark and updated factsheet re Safeguarding.

Cllr. Harris arrived at the meeting.

Cllr. Yiasimi provided an update in respect of the Skatepark.

Members raised concern at the lack of grass cutting in some of the parks in Cromer and Suffield Park. Cllr. Yiasimi will pursue this.

Concern was raised in respect of poor signage including the directional signs to Sheringham which conflict with the road markings on Loudon Road. Cllr. Cox advised that this is being addressed.

It was requested that NNDC continue with the cutting back of the foliage on the cliffs and not just stop at the White Steps.

Thanks were given to all involved in the Skatepark and a special mention given to Cllr. Catherine Plewman.

Ms. Oxtoby, Mr. Fitzpatrick and Cllr. Cox left the meeting

6. **COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS & COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATORS**

Mr. James Begley provided an update on the work of the Community First Responders and the need for Community Public Access Defibrillators (CPAD). He advised that ideally there should be 6 or 7 CPADs in Cromer.

7. **COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES**

It was **AGREED** to appoint Cllr. Rattle to the Works & General Purposes Committee.

8. **YOUTH**

8.1 **Cromer Academy Student Council**

Dr. Geoff Baker provided an update in respect of Cromer Academy including the news that they are to receive £800,000 funding, £500,000 of which is to be spent on a new roof. The Academy is looking into building a new swimming pool which would also be open to the community and they hope that the Town Council will support this. Members were also asked for their support for a new crossing outside the school. This will be discussed at the next Planning, Transportation and Environment Committee meeting. It was noted that the school is growing and is hoped that it will be running at 120 students per year group within the next 5 years.

Dr. Baker left the meeting.

8.2 **Other Youth Matters**

There were no other youth matters.

9. It was **resolved** that the meeting be closed for public participation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A request was made that the Town Council consider erecting plaques in North Lodge Park for two volunteers from the VEO and Christmas Lights who recently passed away.

The meeting was reconvened.

10. **PLANNING TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

10.1 **Minutes of the meetings of the Planning Transportation & Environment Committee held on 21 May 2015 & 18 June 2015**

Cllr. Adams presented the minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2015 and 18 June 2015 which were **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.

11. **PROMOTIONS & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

11.1 **Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions & Development Committee held on 09 June 2015**

Cllr. Hamilton-Emery presented the minutes of the meeting held on 09 June 2015 which were **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.

12. **POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

12.1 **Minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 16 June 2015**

Cllr. Bartlett presented the minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2015, which were **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.

13. **WORKS & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

13.1 **Minutes of the meetings of the Works & General Purposes Committee held on 26 May 2015 & 30 June 2015**

Cllr. Pritchard presented the minutes of the meetings held on 26 May 2015 and 30 June 2015 which were **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.

Cllr. Pritchard thanked everyone who has helped at various events and in particular John Frosdick for all his help on Armed Forces Day.

14. **NORTH LODGE PARK COMMITTEE**

Members considered the questions raised by the Friends of North Lodge Park at the last meeting and it was **AGREED** that the Clerk and Cllr. Harris will draft a reply.

15. **MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR**

15.1 **Mayor's Report** - The Mayor presented his report (refer attached).

15.2 **Deputy Mayor's Report** – The Deputy Mayor advised that he had attended most of the events listed in the Mayor's report and had noticed that people do appreciate their attendance. Particularly of note was the High Sheriff of Norfolk's Reception.

16. **REPORTS FROM MEMBERS ON OTHER COMMITTEES**

Bittern Line – Concern was raised that the new ticket machine is often not working. Cllr. Bartlett will raise this issue with the Bittern Line.

17. **CORRESPONDENCE**

17.1 **Correspondence as detailed below**

The correspondence listed was noted or action agreed as detailed.

Norfolk ALC

Weekly updates

Community Action Norfolk

Newsletter

Bittern Line

Agenda and minutes of meeting

RVS

Home and Well Norfolk project

NCC

Healthy Communities Project evaluation

CPRE

Light Pollution Conference

Cromer Preservation Society

Newsletter

NN Fisheries

Newsletter

R G Carter

Newsletter

Bruno Peek

Merchant Navy Day 03/09/15

It was **AGREED** to participate and set a maximum budget of £30.

18. **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:** 7pm, 07 September 2015

19. **RESOLUTION UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT 1960) TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

The press and public left the meeting

20. **NORTH LODGE PARK**

The Clerk and Cllr. Harris provided an update on the remaining six legal issues to be resolved. Written confirmation from NCC in respect of the issue concerning Seaview Playgroup is still awaited before proceeding. A recorded vote was requested (refer below) and it was **AGREED** to pay a £45 one-off payment for £1m indemnity on hidden covenants and **AGREED** to accept the exception to the overage.

Members voted as follows:

For: Cllr. Adams
Cllr. Bartlett
Cllr. Conisbee
Cllr. Hamilton-Emery
Cllr. Harris
Cllr. Leeds
Cllr. Rattle
Cllr. Russell
Cllr. Stibbons
Cllr. Yiasimi

Against: Cllr. Frostdick
Cllr. Pritchard
Cllr. Smith

It was also **AGREED** to continue to press NNDC to pay the full legal fees.

It was noted that a special meeting will be called once all the paperwork has been received.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting at 9.40pm.

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Dated