

**MINUTES OF THE SEDGEFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE 19th
MARCH 2014 AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

WELCOME Mrs Dawson welcomed all in attendance to the meeting

APOLOGIES Councillors Crump, Christopher and Wright

PRESENT Mrs Dawson, Mr Clark, Mr Frost, Mr Head, Mrs Hipkin, Mr Curry,
County Councillor Michael of Chenery.

PUBLIC – none in attendance

OPEN MEETING 7pm to 7.15pm – with no public attending the business meeting started.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS. None declared for this agenda.

MATTERS ARISING

a) Highways matters. Sally Bettinson had replied to the clerks email. The footpath sign at the top of Trenoworths Lane will be replaced. The sign on the Peddars way will be repositioned and the short post will not be touched at this time.

b) Broadband. The clerk had received a reply from Henry Bellingham MP with a response from NCC. This confirmed what the council already knows that the cabinet is going in and the village should expect broadband by December. The letter did say that some areas of the village may not get the service. Mr Clark took the details to find out which properties could be affected.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- Police Matters – The clerk had attended the last SNAP meeting at Hunstanton. The current priorities are around parking and cars in the area of the sorting office in Hunstanton, dog fouling and the continued monitoring of the Spinney in Hunstanton.
- Meetings attended – Mrs Hipkin and Mr Clark had attended the Development Plan meeting in King's Lynn. It is expected that the draft plan will be available in July with the full plan approved by the end of the year.
- Village Hall matters. Mr Curry reported that the screen for films has now been sorted and film nights will now be planned. Question Time is now all sorted for the 28th March. This has involved a huge amount of work for Mike Wade to get this event up and running. April 26th St George's Dinner. Bingo May 10th. Fete July 12th joint event with the school. The hall needs more lettings so please spread the word to any groups and organisations we know.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION LATER IN THE MEETING:-

- Future Housing
- Lych-gate
- Cheque
- Future Parish Precept.

PLANNING MATTER

Plans for the new Village Hall. It was agreed to declare an interest in these plans and return the form with this indicated.

Plans for 1 Goodmins, this was approved.

Plans for 4A west hall barns, approved.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR BUSINESS

The Councillor informed the meeting there will be another vote on the incinerator on the 7th April 2014. The fire service are again promoting smoke alarms and an event is being held at Heacham Fire Station on the 27th March 10-12noon. There are possibly going to be changes to the opening hours of the Heacham recycling site, this could also see a charge brought in to deposit items.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR BUSINESS

None present.

FINANCE	CGM grounds	£249.54
	K and M lighting	£35.16
	Village hall committee	£192.50
	DD Eon October	£40.39

Proposed Mr Clark Seconded Mr Frost and carried.

Balances before tonight's meeting. C.A £2451.71 Business £10024.96

Paddock Rent. The two residents had agreed to rent the paddock for the coming 11 months. The clerk had prepared the documents and these were signed and witnessed. These will go to the residents when there copy is returned to the clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE

Borough - Village games application form.

NCC – Highways Rangers visit week commencing 28th April.

OTHERS - Norfolk RCC wireless internet project. Norfolk Link. Poster re recycling Clothes. Brancaster Neighbourhood Plan taken by Mrs Dawson. Zurich insurance form for quote, clerk to complete. Information about a new Streetlife website project, council had no interest.

OTHER MATTERS

Future Housing. Following the discussion in the closed meeting it was proposed by Mr Head and seconded by Mrs Hipkin that the Parish ask Hastoe Housing to complete a survey of need for future housing in the village. This was carried. Clerk will ask Hastoe to put things in motion.

Lych-gate. Mr Clark reported that the timbers are deteriorating and action will need to be taken in the future. He agreed to put some mastic in the cracks after a dry period. Mrs Dawson thanked him for replacing the cross.

Cheque. Mr Clark asked who a cheque should be made out to for the plants he had from the hedging stock purchased by the Parish Council. It was agreed that the £40 cheque be made payable to the Parish as they had paid the bill.

Future Parish Precept. Mr Head said that he is concerned what responsibilities will be passed down to Parishes by the County and Borough Councils in the future. He would like to suggest that the Borough Council could host a meeting for all parish councils to discuss what changes could be on the way to effect Parish precepts. It was suggested that the clerk contacts David Thomason as the chief Financial Officer copying in the Borough Councillors to see if the Borough will facilitate such a meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 16th April 2014 starting at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.15