

MINUTES OF DOCKING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on the 16th April 2015 in the Ripper Hall

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the final meeting of the current council. The chair said it would have been the final meeting for Mr Hine as he has not sought re-election. He will send a letter to Mr Hine thanking him for his service to the village over several years.

2. Present:-J. Wroth, R Gillett, Mrs Hack, R Todd, Mrs Playford, K Crompton, M Cooke, M Able, Mrs Edge, R Playford

Apologies: - D Hine

1 member of the public was present for the second half of the meeting.

3. **The March minutes** were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Mrs Edge Seconded Mr Gillett and carried.

4. **Matters arising** for information only.

None

5. **Declaration of interests on agenda items.**

Mrs Edge declared an interest in an item of correspondence.

6. **Correspondence.**

NALC election of executive members, Jacks Lane Solar Farm Public Consultation open meeting 21st April 2015 at Sculthorpe, PCSO request for allotment holder's names, it was agreed the clerk should be the contact for any issues with the allotments and he would contact the holders. Came and Co Council Matters, Norfolk RCC Signpost, CPRE light pollution survey results and conference. Letter from Mrs French re hedges, the chair and clerk will investigate and contact parishioners if necessary. Letter from Mr and Mrs Edge (Mrs Edge left the meeting for this item) asking if they could purchase a piece of the old playing field 3m wide. It was agreed the clerk will look into this and place item on the next agenda. The clerk has downloaded the new Transparency Code and the clerk will ensure Docking is compliant, new section 137 regulations for 2015/16 limit of spending increased to £7.36 per elector.

7. **Agenda Items for Council decision.**

Land for Children's Charity

The clerk has had no further communications with the Solicitors so will chase up prior to the next meeting. Mrs Daisley- Brown arrived at this point in the meeting and said things were progressing. There had been some concern from the school but children were now attending after school. The roadway needs some levelling and the chairs agreed to talk to Mr J Hare and carry out remedial work. This item needs to be on the next agenda.

Plaque

The clerk had now got a quote of £145 for a new sign to go near the walnut tree. Harry's of Kings Lynn will make the sign and the clerk will collect. It was agreed the clerk should place the order. Proposed Mr Gillett, seconded Mrs Playford and carried.

Standing Orders

The clerk had prepared a set of standing orders for the council. Mrs Hack agreed to take them away and read them through so they can be adopted at the next meeting. The clerk will put on the agenda of the Annual Parish Council meeting.

8. Financial Matters. Accounts approved for this month.

Name	Business	net	VAT	Gross	Non Reclaimable VAT
K and M	Lighting Maint	£35.46	£7.09	£42.55	None
BCKLWN	Refuse Bins	£193.00	£0.00	£193.00	None
NALC	Subs	£189.50	£0.00	£189.50	None
DD Eon	Electricity	£115.01	£23.00	£138.01	None

Income BCKLWN Precept £12,000.00

Proposed Mr Gillett and seconded by Mrs Edge and carried.

Financial Statement the clerk had issued a draft copy of the income and expenditure accounts for the year end prior to going to audit.

Allotment and Recreation Charity, the **trustees** agreed a grant of £300 to the Docking Scout Group towards their summer camp.

10. Planning Matters

Land South of Ferndale Wind turbine and photovoltaic panels. Approved

Land at Whin Close Poultry Farm withdrawn

1 Yeomen's Cottage, New Holiday property. Refused

Plans for Rural Workshops variation of condition 11 council approved.

Plans North Farm variation of condition 7 and 8 council approved

11. Any other business (for information only) and to consider any item for next month's meeting.

Mr Able updated the council on a meeting he had attended re the Jacks Lane Windfarm Community Fund. 11 villages are entitled to bid for a share of the £30,000 each year for the

next 25yrs. Groups in the village will be able to complete an online application that will be submitted to the Norfolk Community Foundation who will oversee the process. There will be a launch of the scheme on the 1st May 2015 with the first panel meeting to be held in mid-July. There will be press and poster coverage of the fund but interested groups can approach him or the council for details. This is a sizable amount of money and groups and organisations should be encouraged to apply

Mr Meek has been given a defibrillator for the sports field but is unsure as to where it should go and would like public input into its siting. The clerk will call Mr Meek to get more details and then draft an item for the village news and put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Mrs Hack reported some problems with the community bus service where drivers have not turned up and Parishioners were left at bus stops. She has spoken to Mrs Bridger re the new service linked to Massingham. She told Mrs Hack that things were still moving slowly but it was still anticipated that this service would be coming. The group are maintaining the pressure on Norfolk Green.

Councillors were appalled that the pot holes on the Bircham Road have been chipped over. The clerk will pass on to Highways.

Mr Crompton raised a concern about bonfires. Mrs Edge said she had approached Environmental Health about the same issue but there seems little that can be done. Mr Crompton will tell the parishioner to contact the Borough Council Environmental Health Department.

12. The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Date of the next meeting Thursday 21st May 2015 at 7pm. This will be the Annual Parish Council meeting of the new council and elections of officers will be the first agenda item.