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Minutes of a **Full Blakeney Parish Council Meeting** which was held on **Tuesday 6th May 2014** at 7.00pm.

Present:- Tony Faulkner (Chairman), Jenny Girling (Vice-Chairman), Alban Donohoe, Roger Hall, Mary James, Ann Wootten & Leanne Welch.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield.

Public:- 2.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Were received & ***accepted*** from Glenn Aikens (*away*), Margaret Benson (*away*), Barry Girling (*away*) & Louise Leonard (*work*). Also from PC Jason Pegden and County Cllr Dr. Marie Strong, who is attending a meeting in King's Lynn.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST from members – There were none.

3. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that the **MINUTES** of the FULL COUNCIL dated Tuesday 1st April 2014 are signed as a true record.

4. GUESTS –

4.1. **Wells Police (Safer Neighbourhood Team)** - A move around in the force, means that our PCSO Keith Clarke has been seconded to Holt and we await details of our newly appointed PCSO. PC Jason Pegden sent in the following report; Since the last meeting there have been 7 calls to the Police, 2 of the calls related to a road traffic collision on the New Road. Others were 1 x criminal damage, 1 x assault on the Police & 1 x domestic incident.

4.2. **The Rectory Site** - Michael Marshall, (Diocesan Surveyor) explained that due to the real problem surrounding fuel poverty, the diocese are looking at properties across their area. Hence he outlined the proposals to build a new smaller Rectory in the grounds of the current six bedroom Rectory which is in a poor condition and of the desire to sell the current Rectory to the Parish Council and or local Housing Provider who in turn could look to turn the property into affordable housing for local people, if this could come out as a cost neutral exercise to the diocese. The current Rectory however, is outside of the development boundary and would need NNDC to give approval to this being classed as an 'exceptions site', hence the affordable housing for local people scheme.

It was ***proposed & agreed*** that "we support this scheme as outline and would back any outline planning application."

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS – There were none.

6. PLANNING – *A meeting of the Planning Committee follows after this Full Council Meeting.*

6.1. It was ***proposed & agreed*** to site the youth shelter more in line with the basket swing, thus leaving more room for the exercise equipment

and to then submit a planning application for the proposed new **Recreation Project**.

7. COUNCILLOR REPORTS –

7.1. **District Councillor** - Lindsay Brettle reported on general NNDC matters.

7.2. **County Councillor** - Dr. Marie Strong. Marie's report went into depth about the soon to be implemented Committee decision making which will replace the Cabinet system at which all major decisions have been made. This will come into effect at the end of May 2014.

*Adjourned at 8.05pm for the **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION** and reconvened at 8.08pm.*

8. FINANCE.

8.1. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that **Accounts** totalling £18,407.43 are paid.

8.2. **Clerk/RFO Report** – The Clerk reported on the balances to date and informed members that the Standards Engagement Event would be held ahead of the July Full Council meeting, commencing promptly at 6.15pm. Information had also been sought from the Co-operative Bank and it was ascertained that Blakeney Parish Council would be eligible and entitled to claim up to £85k if the bank was unable to meet its financial obligations, hence it was ***proposed & agreed*** that we keep our banking arrangements as they are.

8.3. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that we can promote the **Smartwater Packs**; A deterrent in marine related thefts to the public and that they can they purchase them direct should they so wish.

8.4. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that the tariff needs to reflect that it will be a 24 hour Pay & Display system at **Coronation Car Park**.

8.5. The Housing & Communities Agency are inviting bids to fund **Affordable Housing Schemes** and it was ***proposed & agreed*** that the Clerk makes enquiries with regard possible future schemes in the parish, including the one at The Rectory and the Memorial Cottages site.

9. TRANSPORT ITEMS & REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

9.1. One **Workers Permit** application for Coronation Car Park was received on behalf of a shop worker. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that this application is declined as there are a number of other options available.

9.2. Members noted the minutes of the **Blakeney Village Hall Trust** meeting which was held on 11th February 2014. The Clerk had today attended a meeting of the BVHT on behalf of Margaret Benson. It is

pleasing to report that the committee have managed to find new members to take on various officer roles, and it sounds as though there will be exciting times ahead for the village hall and a wealth of different ideas.

9.3. Members noted the minutes of the **NNDC Coastal Forum** meeting which was held on Tuesday 4th February 2014.

9.4. *To receive & consider* report via Tony from the meeting he and Margaret Benson attended with the **Environment Agency** and others on 22nd April which discussed the impact and recovery challenges following the tidal surge on 5th December 2013. Norman Lamb MP has asked the Environment Agency to check, whether in fact that Defra is obliged to reinstate the protection afforded by the bank, hence we await the outcome of this.

9.5. Members noted the minutes of the **Blakeney Harbour Boatman's Association** meeting which was held on 28th March 2014. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that we allocate a sum of around £1k to pay for the difference in cost between the posts they had planned to install along Blakeney Quay, and those that BPC has suggested, ie. 5" x 5" which may then include a number of brackets.

10. **COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS** – There were none.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

11.1. It was ***proposed & agreed*** to permit the following to advertise via our **Website** i) www.ellaroseestateagent.com ii) www.therapy-directory.org.uk as per the points agreed at our last meeting.

11.2. **Victory Housing** shared their planned actions for the two garage blocks in Queen's Close following the resident's consultation regarding the future of victory owned garage sites. Block 1; Located opposite no. 27 Queens Close, ie. the block nearer to the Glaven Care Centre, the plan is to convert the garage site into car parking and for Block 2; Entrance located between no. 15 & no. 17 Queens Close, the plan is to explore the options for selling the garage site.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Chairman _____