

NORTHLEACH WITH EASTINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD

ON Wednesday 20th January 2016

PRESENT: **Cllr Blades (Chair), Cllr Hewer (Vice Chair), Cllr Wellman, Cllr Colton, Cllr Hulcup, Cllr Rayner, Cllr Fletcher, Cllr Davies, Mrs C Crompton (Clerk) and 2 members of the public,**

103.	Cllr Mills and Cllr Rigby were unavailable
104.	No interests were declared
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
105.	Mr Andrew Wellman addressed the council in regards the councillor vacancy - see 12.
106.	County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson was unavailable and sent a report
106.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking proposals for West End have gone through to Bob Skillern; the laying out of spaces in the Market Place will also be actioned in the next couple of months. Both have been funded by Paul's Highways pot.
106.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The A429 Task Group has started meeting and are taking evidence from road safety experts and Highways technicians. There will be a meeting of the Task Group open to parishes and towns along the A429 in late Feb or early March. The objective of that meeting is for you to feedback issues and ideas to the Task Group. Then the Task Group will come up with recommendations for the road in the late Spring.
107.	District Councillor Chris Hancock gave a report
107.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree work on All Alone is imminent
107.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old A40 work is a major engineering work and waiting to hear from Highways, there is a road traffic order on it which means they can wait for 18 months before taking action
107.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades explained that initial estimates for the repair are in excess of £100K, Highways are considering closing it permanently except for access. There may be some advantages to walkers, cyclists etc.
107.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NDP – the final site analysis work has been done. Richard Wills is happy with the analysis on his land. This could mean facilities for games, parking provision and an extension for the school.
107.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationship between the 2 other sites at West End need to be discussed further and CDC has suggested more work needed on this
107.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaising with Cllr Rigby on design statement, Cllr Mills and Cllr Colton on newsletter and once these are ready, could go to an open day, public consultation and then referendum.
107.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades asked about timescales
107.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Hancock hopes to do the open day or weekend within next 2 months, then there are set statutory timescales on the other elements
107.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavily involved on 20/20 savings programme which will involve millions of £'s worth of savings
108.	PC Page attended.
108.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community officer and also covering the response cars so will not be unable to attend all meetings,
108.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCSO Mike will be able to attend occasionally in the future,
108.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime figures from 1st September to 1st December have decreased though theft from motor vehicles is up. There were more thefts this week though vehicles were left unlocked with items on view. A burglary took place at the school where a car was left unlocked and unattended and an opportunist struck
MATTERS FOR DECISION	
109.	Councillors confirmed the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 th November 2015 to be a true and accurate reflection of the meeting
Resolution Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk asked to amend 88.6 to read "killing animals" rather than "disturbing animals" and amend 87.5 to read NDP
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amended minutes to be signed at February meeting
110.	The Action Point Update from November 25 th meeting was discussed
110.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades updated the meeting on the work Councillors requested for West End, there will be a consultation for residents
110.2	
110.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Hulcup asked that we inform The Wheatsheaf in advance and request that their staff park elsewhere
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades to draw up a letter and circulate to members
110.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Jarratt expects to purchase plants from Batsford in March,
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades to ask John Mustoe if he can help remove the top soil and some of the councillors will assist
111.	Financial Matters
111.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors reviewed the Financial Statement and bank balances
111.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors reviewed the bills presented below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Glos. LGPS payments £55.33 and £252.14 for both November and December ○ Gary Evans, window cleaning, Inv. 009, £20 ○ Viking Direct, office supplies, Inv. 589873, £100.73 ○ Viking Direct, office supplies, Inv. 491619, £14.28 ○ Bibury Landscaping, Inv. 5417 for November, £1730.47 ○ Bibury Landscaping, Inv. 5449 for December, £1730.47 ○ Mainstream, phone line, Inv. 721229, £4.05 ○ Brian Hulcup, December Hours, £55.25 ○ Catriona Crompton for bill from Eden Flowers for Mrs Harris' retiral, £40

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<p>Resolution</p> <p>Action</p> <p>111.3</p> <p>Resolution</p> <p>111.4</p> <p>Action</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Blades proposed and Cllr Hulcup seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to pay all the bills presented • Clerk to pay all the bills • Accept the Precept figure to be requested from CDC as recommended by Finance Committee • Cllr Wellman proposed and Cllr Hewer seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to request a 1.99% increase in the Precept from CDC • Clerk to fill in the paperwork and send off by 28th January
<p>112.</p> <p>112.1</p> <p>112.2</p> <p>Action</p> <p>112.3</p> <p>112.4</p> <p>Resolution</p> <p>Action</p> <p>112.5</p> <p>112.6</p> <p>Action</p>	<p>Planning and Tree works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no urgent planning issues • Councillors discussed the latest information from Highways in regards roadworks, gullies and access • Clerk to inform Walker's Gardens residents about what Highways have fed back • The next steps in regards to Market Place planting and proposed works were discussed • Councillors discussed CPRE membership in regards development opportunities • Cllr Hewer proposed, Cllr Wellman seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to join • Clerk to get in touch with CPRE and ask for membership • Councillors discussed menu of work to be quoted by Ubico in regards Ward Councillors funding • Councillors discussed the Town's requirements and agreed the following were priorities: clean street signs, clear gravel at traffic lights, clear path up to Burford end, path from Old Prison up to Hampnett turn • Clerk to send request to Cllr Hancock so Ubico can price the request
<p>113.</p> <p>113.1</p> <p>Action</p> <p>Action</p>	<p>Councillors considered adopting revised Standing Orders drawn up by Cllr Colton based on a well-known model, some are statutory and some are recommended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Wellman had not received the Standing Orders and so it was agreed that the Council would complete this at the next meeting and the councillors discussed some points • Cllr Colton to update the areas discussed and circulate • Councillors to feed any more updates to Cllr Colton
<p>114.</p> <p>114.1</p> <p>114.2</p> <p>Resolution</p> <p>114.3</p>	<p>Councillors heard from Mr Andrew Wellman who is interested in the current Council vacancy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Wellman introduced himself, has lived in Northleach all his life, brought up a family here, works as a business analyst for a local insurance company, plays a lot of sport for Northleach clubs and is already involved with the KGV through the Pavilion, • Cllr Colton worked with him on KGV Management Group and believes he wants the best for Northleach, • Cllr Colton proposed, Cllr Hulcup seconded and Councillors unanimously RESOLVED to invite Andrew Wellman to join the council • Cllr Wellman stated that since 1940 there has been a Wellman on the Council
<p>115.</p> <p>115.1</p> <p>115.2</p> <p>Action</p>	<p>Councillors discussed the schedule of meetings for 2016-2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Hewer would like to see more PPMC meetings • Clerk explained that there is only so many meetings that can be fitted in however as Finance meetings are being rearranged from 6 to 4 a year this will give some flexibility • Clerk to add on to PPMC meeting agenda for a new date
MATTERS FOR INFORMATION	
116.	Councillors received an update on Charter Market signs and cones Ian Hanks is currently putting out the cones and collecting the monies, to be reviewed in 3 months
117.	Councillors received an update and draft minutes from Finance meeting on 12 th January 2016
118.	Councillors were asked to review the online survey about Transport Strategy consultation
119.	Councillors received draft minutes from KGV Meeting on 25 th November
<p>120.</p> <p>120.1</p> <p>120.2</p> <p>Action</p> <p>120.3</p>	<p>Cllr Blades read out 2 letters of correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jackson Stopps have been instructed to sell Dover House and this was welcomed by the Council • Resident's letter about Market Place beds, weeds in the cemetery and conservation area was discussed. These will be addressed at the relevant committees • Cllr Blades to feed back to resident • Post Office has not yet been resolved
121.	Future Agenda Items: Queen's 90 Celebrations – 21 st April Northleach Trail – invite Richard Owen and Rachel Cawte to see what suggestions they have
122.	Next Meeting – Town Council Meeting on Wednesday 24th February at 7pm at the Westwoods

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9 pm