

HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS OF DECEMBER 2011 AND JANUARY 2012

Following the visit to the November meeting by Amanda Jermy, a Waste Reduction Officer from Norfolk County Council, copies of 'Waste Buster Packs' and 'Know Before You Throw' leaflets had been received and are available in the village hall for anyone interested in looking at various ways of recycling, some of which can be done on individual basis. Others are schemes that would need to be set up and may be considered in the future by the Council. Cllr. Burton reported having planted twenty fruit trees of various varieties on Park Piece Land and Cllr. Cheadle advised that work would be commencing in the near future on the southern end of the field where the first stages of the planned work will be the ditch, bridge, pond scraping and landscaping. Consideration was also given to planting an Oak tree sapling to commemorate the Golden Jubilee and adding name plates to the recently planted fruit trees. These matters will be discussed at the next meeting when more information is available.

The Council also received the news that Park Piece Land has been accepted into the Queen Elizabeth 11 Fields Challenge and the documents are currently being drawn up by the Fields In Trust organisation.

The forthcoming Diamond Jubilee Celebrations were discussed further but it was agreed that the Parish Council require information on any events being planned in the village with a view to linking up with any such ideas. The Council would be pleased to hear from residents of any Jubilee Celebrations being arranged. Another matter being considered for the Jubilee is a granite obelisk on Park Piece Land carrying a plaque to commemorate the Jubilee and which would also carry the plaque for the land being a Field In Trust.

Cleaning of the Milestone in the village was considered and two Councillors kindly offered to do the cleaning and repainting as necessary.

Finances included payment of village gardening expenses and salary for the Clerk. Accounts to the 30th December 2011 were approved and the Parish Council agreed, again this year, that they would not request any precept funding from the Borough Council.

A number of applications had been received for the position of Clerk to the Council and two applicants were chosen for interviews.

Planning applications included a re-application for 33 Main Road for which the Council recommended refusal and a replacement dwelling at Little Wilbur where the Council are putting queries to the Planning Department concerning Borough Council guidelines on rebuilding. The application for the installation of three wind generators near Drove Bungalow had been forwarded to Thornham PC rather than Holme PC and had, therefore, been granted without Holme consultation. The Borough Council was to be advised of the error.

The next meeting of Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 14th February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and put their comments and questions to the Councillors during 'public participation'.

Glynis Allen, Clerk to Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council

