

## HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

### NOVEMBER 2015 MEETING

Information was provided regarding the following items:

- Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk (BCKLWN) October meeting Minutes which stated that objections would be raised to the Norfolk County Council (NCC) Recycling Centre proposals.
- Norfolk Association of Local Councils (NALC) Annual General Meeting to be held in January 2016.
- NALC Newsletter for October which gave advice regarding Public Participation at Parish Council meetings.
- Norfolk Coast Partnership (NCP) Community Representatives Election details of which had been put on the three Notice Boards and the Village Website.
- Norfolk Minerals Site Specific Allocations Development Plan consultation.

A report was also given on a recent meeting of the European Marine Sites (EMS) to which all interested parties are invited including Natural England (NE), Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB), Norfolk Wildlife Trust (NWT) and the Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (IFCA). The meeting was to address proposals for the future and the following issues were raised:

- The Marine Reference Area first proposed several years ago and later discarded is now back on the Agenda and will be proposed again next year. It will be an area of the beach starting just below the high water mark to below the low water, in which there can be no fishing, tethering of boats, horse riding or dog walking. Questions were asked of NE regarding policing, demarcation, etc. to which no definitive answers were available which reflected the situation at the public meeting in Holme with NE when this suggestion was broached previously.
- RSPB reported on visitor numbers.
- NWT sent apologies and confirmed that the new fenced area was not locked.
- Funding was available if sections of the Coastal Path needed repair and attention.

There were no members of the public present and therefore no Public Participation session. Arrangements were made for Tim Venes, the North Coast Partnership Manager, to attend and give a presentation prior to the December Parish Council meeting.

Planning Applications submitted were for the erection of a dry goods store at Whitehall Farm, Kirkgate and a tree removal in the Conservation Area on Main Road. No objections were raised. The Application for tree removal in Westgate had been granted. No objections had been raised.

There was discussion regarding the damaged Willow trees at the end of Beach Road when it was decided to leave them until the spring to judge any potential growth, some trees on the boundary with Park Piece that were on private property, and a damaged light on Main Road that required repair.

There was further discussion regarding the proposed application for shared funding with NCC during the year 2016/17 for a Bus Shelter on Main Road opposite the one already in place when it was agreed more information was required.

Under Finance the second quarter audited accounts and budget monitoring were presented and were approved. It may be that a replacement internal auditor will be required if the present parishioner undertaking this work leaves the village. Approved payments included the October Clerk's PAYE, salary and re-imbursments, donations to the East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH) and the East Anglia Air Ambulance, and the final payment for village grass cutting for 2016.

Magazines for October and November had been circulated from Clerks and Councils Direct together with Flood Warning information from BCKLWN.

The Rent Review for the Caravan Park was discussed under Confidential Minutes.

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 8th December 2015** at approximately 7.30 pm in the Village Hall Meeting Room following a presentation by Mr. Tim Venes, Norfolk Coast Partnership (NCP) Manager and Estelle Hook, also of NCP, at 7 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend and put their comments and questions to Councillors during 'Public Participation'.

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