

HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

OCTOBER 2014 MEETING

Nine members of the public were welcomed, together with Borough Councillor Elizabeth Watson.

During the period set aside for public participation concerns were expressed regarding a Planning Application that had been submitted relating to a property on Thornham Road and Borough Councillor Elizabeth Watson gave information regarding the process adopted by the Planning committee when applications had been referred for a final decision.

Councillor Watson also reported that the Borough Council is on budget and is one of the top Borough Councils with regard to housekeeping. The Hunstanton cliffs have been named as number seven in the top ten geo sites in Britain which may make it easier to get funding for protection. Also, Hunstanton in Bloom has been put forward to Britain in Bloom. The new recycling system seems to be working fine and there have been no complaints.

The August and September Newsletter from the Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNAP) Reports had been received and there were no issues directly affecting Holme-next-the-Sea.

Various Planning Applications were considered including the removal of the BT payphone on Main Road by the sub-station, a minor internal alteration at The White Horse and alterations and extensions to the property on Thornham Road, to which an objection was raised.

Concerns regarding the project at Holme Dunes NWT Nature Reserve were discussed including the proposed fencing of land referred to as 'the paddocks' and correspondence with NWT continues.

The possibility of the Parish Council completing a Development Plan had been raised by a parishioner at the September meeting. It had been considered and rejected when first introduced as Holme-next-the-Sea is designated a small village or hamlet which automatically restricts development. The long process required to achieve a Development Plan was discussed but it was again decided not to start the process of application.

Various village matters were discussed including the Definitive Map of Public Footpaths and Byways, and the location of wheelie bins. A Rating Assessor had attended the Village Hall to review the Rateable Value and the application for Building Regulations for the Village Hall alterations had been submitted.

Under Finance, payments included the Clerk's salary and tax, grass cutting, street lighting maintenance and a donation to Magpas, the emergency medical charity.

At the end of the meeting Councillor Myles handed notices of resignation as Chairman to the Clerk and Councillors. His resignation as a Councillor will be given in writing to the Vice Chairman on his return from abroad. These resignations are as a result of him leaving the village.

An official vote of thanks from the Councillors was given in appreciation of all the work he had undertaken as both a Councillor and Chairman of the Parish Council. Councillor Watson endorsed this on behalf of the Borough Council and it was again endorsed by Mr. Foster on behalf of parishioners.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 11th November 2014** at 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall Meeting Room. Members of the public are welcome to attend and put their comments and questions to Councillors during 'Public Participation'.

Christina Jones

Clerk to Holme-next-the-Sea Parish Council