

HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

OCTOBER 2015 MEETING

The October Parish Council meeting started at the new time of 7 pm and the Chairman welcomed three members of the public, Andrew Murray the Mayor of Hunstanton, Stuart Ashworth the Planning Control Manager from the Borough Council, and Andrew Brand who, together with Gareth Edwards, represented the developer Ocean Breaks.

Information was provided regarding items from the Borough Council's September meeting Minutes, maintenance work on Number 4 Drain, the Coasthopper winter service and the County Council's Older People's Strategic Partnership.

In the Public Participation part of the meeting, Andrew Murray confirmed that a new Lynx bus would also be operating between Hunstanton and Cromer. The Borough Councillor, Carol Bower, was unable to attend but had sent a report containing information relating to the re-commencement of the Examination of the Borough Council's Site Allocations and Development Management Plan (SADMP), the County Council's Recycling Proposals and a future devolution proposal leading to more co-operation between Norfolk and Suffolk.

Following that, the representatives of Ocean Breaks (part of The Abbey Group Cambridgeshire Ltd.) gave an informal presentation on a proposal for six mobile homes on land opposite Sunnymead Caravan Site which would be for weekly or bi-weekly rentals. Ocean Breaks owns more of the surrounding land and no formal application has yet been made. Councillors raised various concerns but full consideration will be given to the proposal once an application is made.

By agreement, the Public Participation part of the meeting was then extended and Stuart Ashworth dealt with some submitted questions regarding the SADMP Examination, caravan and camping sites, Neighbourhood Development Plans, planning objections and breaches of planning conditions. Specific issues were raised by parishioners present regarding a property in Broadwater Road.

Councillor Young thanked everyone for their time and attendance at the meeting.

Under Planning an application had been received to fell trees at a property in Westgate, and for the construction of a dry goods store at Whitehall Farm. No objections were raised. The application relating to a property in Peddars Way considered at the September meeting had been granted. No objections had been raised.

Various suggestions made by parishioners at, or following, the Cheese and Wine in September were considered. An issue regarding signposting to Holme is to be followed up with Highways, as is the enforcement of the 30 mph restriction throughout the village. Information will be obtained regarding the possibility of adult exercise equipment at Park Piece but it was considered that additional 'tourist' signs were not currently required. Cleaning the pond area poses problems as it is under joint ownership and any waste disposal would be costly as it would be classed as contaminated waste.

Potential funding for Highways related projects during the year 2016/17 was considered and serious concerns were raised regarding the Recycling Centre proposals being put forward by the County Council - Docking to be closed and Heacham hours to be reduced - and will be registered appropriately.

It has not yet been possible to arrange a meeting with the NWT regarding issues at Holme Dunes.

Under finance the external auditors report for 2014/15 was received. There were no issues raised and it would be posted on the Notice Board. Financial Regulations, Internal Financial Controls and the Council Financial and Management Risk Assessment had been reviewed and were adopted. Approved payments included the September Clerk's salary, re-imbursments and PAYE, grass cutting costs, street lighting maintenance, external auditor's fee, valuation fee, donations and training costs.

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 10th November 2015** at the new time of 7 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