

WALPOLE HIGHWAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Time & Date of Meeting: 1930 Tuesday 25 February 2025

Location of Meeting: Walpole Highway Village Hall

Subject: Ordinary Meeting

Attendees: Parish Councillors – Sheila Hillier (SMH), Simon Huggins(SH)

Andrew Clifton (AC) Helen Waters (HW), Elizabeth Jackson (EJ)

Clerk – Gillian Barnes (GB)

County & Borough Councillor Julian Kirk

One local government elector

Apologies: Councillors Andrew Melton, Richard Housden

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16/25 Vice Chairman Sheila Hillier chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chairman AM

17/25 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Andrew Melton and Richard Housden.

18/25 Declaration of Interest regarding agenda items. None

19/25 Minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2025 were approved as a true record.

20/25 Matters arising from the minutes. None

21/25 Planning Application received for information

25/00193/F Eilan, Mill Road, first floor rear extension to existing dwelling.

Agreed to support application.

24/02104/F Land & Buildings West Drove (S) at E550861 N312461, application for new walls (retrospective). Agreed no additional comment

25/00219/F Ivy House West Drove (S) Demolition of existing garage & erection of new (householder retrospective). Agreed no additional comment

25/00220/F Ivy House Wes Drove (S) Erection of new garden wall (householder retrospective). Agreed no additional comment

Planning update. Councillors noted that the publication of the Inspectors report on the King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan 2021-2040 had found the plan to be sound. The plan is due to be formally adopted at the full council meeting on 27th March 2025.

22/25 Government proposal on the proposed devolution for Norfolk & Suffolk. Councillors noted the commencement of public consultation. Clerk to forward further information to Councillors regarding meetings as received

23/25 Playing Field Maintenance. Councillors satisfied with standard of grass cutting. Clerk to continue to remind contractors that they should also be strimming areas to entrances and around play equipment where the tractor cutter cannot reach.

24/25 SAM 2 Camera. Total cost £4084.00 (net) The council will have to pay the invoice and then claim the Parish Partnership (£1777.50) and LMF Funding (£2000.00) from NCC. The additional cost of £306.50 for upgrade to dual coloured display will be met by the parish council.

25/25 Great British Spring Clean. Agreed to register Walpole Highway's participation in the event.

26/25 Splitting of Precept payment. Clerk has been advised by KL&WN BC that from 1st April 2025 that the precept requested will be paid in two installments instead of an annual payment.

27/25 Tapping House Hospice 40 Year Anniversary. Agreed to donate £40.00.

28/25 Accounts approved for payment by internet banking

Supplier	Invoice details	Total £	Value £	VAT £	PAYE
WH Hall	Jan mtg	20.00	20.00	Nil	
Nurture	Inv 1 Mid 358861 EX cut	128.40	107.00	21.40	
Nurture	Inv 1 Mid 358586 Jan	181.92	151.60	30.32	
KL&WNBC	Dog waste collection	978.43	815.36	163.07	

30/25 Correspondence received for information

- A47 Road works information including speed reductions Peterborough/Kings Lynn & urgent repairs Great Ouse Bridge Kings Lynn.
- NCC Confirmation of Smeeth Bank modification order 2022

31/25 Public Participation - meeting suspended (8.40pm) to allow public participation and comment

- County Councillor Julian Kirk updated on devolution proposals. He expressed his concern that the MAY 2025 County Council elections had been postponed for 12 months because of it.
- Borough Councillor JULIAN he wished to inform the Parish Council that following a complaint made by a Walpole Highway resident he had now been reported to the Monitoring Officer.
- A resident attended the meeting regarding speeding traffic particularly along Lynn Road and outside the school. He had already emailed the council (circulated to members) and referred to a petition submitted to the council by another resident. He was shown the petition which had been signed by residents concerned about heavy traffic vibrating properties. He was advised that the council were adopting all measures available to them to raise speed awareness.

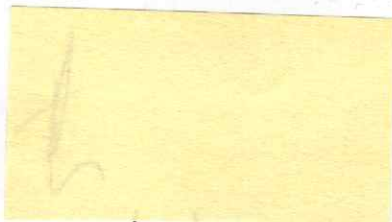
Other matters raised

- Cornsea footpath cutting back of ivy in base of hedge
- Moles at playing field. Contact pest control
- Report pothole opposite Bush Cottage, Mill Bank
- Recorded evidence of dog fouling at Hall Road – to be submitted to Borough Council
- Public footpath FP7 tree now totalling blocking path

Meeting resumed 8.50pm

32/25 Date of next meeting. 25 March 2025

Signed:



Date:

25/03/25