

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29 March 2011 at 7.00 pm at the Council Chamber, Wayland Hall, and Watton

Councillors Present: B Anderson-Vice Chairman J P McCarthy
 P Cooper L McCarthy
 R Crabtree A Osborn
 K Gilbert J Rogers
 A Harvey M Wassell
 M Holmes B Wykes
 R Ivory- Chairman

Officers Present: J Seal - Town Clerk

Others Present: PC Stephen Oram - Norfolk Police, District Councillors Claire Bowes and Chris
- Youth Council

Members of the Public Present: One

120 APOLOGIES

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillor Rudling

121 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was agreed by Members that the Minutes be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

122 COMMUNITY REPORTS

122.1 Police

Crime figures were tabled.

P.C. Oram reported that there would be another re-organisation of the police in the near future.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team is working closely with Youth Projects but have no funding for future projects.

The next SNAP meeting would be held at the Fire Station on Wednesday 13 April 2011.

122.2 District Councillors

Councillor Gilbert was pleased that the Surge (Project Rainbow) had been chosen as the Community Group of the year at the Pride in Breckland Awards.

He had attended a meeting of the Development Control Committee which had discussed the balconies and hot tubs at Richmond Golf Club, and was looking at the future development of the former RAF camp and the effects it could have on the town.

Councillor Bowes reported that shared services were working well and that the senior officers were now in place.

She was also pleased that the Surge had won the Community Group Award. Councillor Anderson congratulated Councillor Bowes for nominating the Surge.

122.3 County Councillors

County Councillor Rogers informed Members that the Norwich road would be re-surfaced from the Breckland Industrial Estate to Akrotiri Square once the roundabout had been finished.

122.4 Youth Council

The Youth Council Representative introduced himself and stated that he had been a Member of the Youth Council for twelve months. He and one other Member would be taking part in a broadcast with Wayland Radio to discuss Youth issues.

He asked the Council if they would look at lighting between the alleyway from North Road to George Trollop Road. Councillors thanked him for his report.

123 MATTERS ARISING

Item 113 It was agreed that a reminder letter be sent to the Chamber of Commerce to clarify whether they wished to take back the Christmas Lights.

Item 119 A Member asked if there was any further news from Councillor Freeman. The Chairman stated that no reply had been forthcoming.

A Member also asked if any indication from the staff had been given as to whether further action would be taken. The Clerk stated that she could not speak on behalf of other Members of Staff, but in her own case she felt that it would be inappropriate for her to comment.

124 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

18 March Mayor of Attleborough Civic Reception
25 March Civic Reception

Members congratulated the Chairman on his Civic Reception and praised the performance that he had arranged.

125.1 VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

18 March Pride in Breckland Awards

Councillor Anderson stated that the event was magnificent and congratulated Breckland's Richard Wills. She felt it was sleek and very professional and a good reflection on the Youth of Watton.

It was agreed that a letter of congratulation be sent to Richard Wills.

126 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that the Bunting for the Royal Wedding had arrived.

127 PAYMENTS

It was agreed that payments for March be approved.

128 COMMITTEE REPORTS

128.1 Planning & Forward Development Committee

It was agreed that the minutes of Tuesday 1 and 22 March 2011 be adopted.

128.2 Recreation and Environment

It was agreed that the minutes of Tuesday 8 March 2011 be adopted.

128.3 Buildings and Assets

Item 32 It was agreed that payment to Elm be withheld until the outstanding work has been completed.

Councillor L McCarthy explained to Members the emergency work that was being carried out on the Clock Tower. The Clerk produced photographs of the damage.

It was agreed that the minutes of Tuesday 15 March 2011 be adopted.

128.4 Policy and Resources

Item 39, it was agreed that all Charity organisations where the Council had appointed Representatives be written to, explaining that legal clarification was needed before Representatives would attend any further meetings.

It was agreed that the minutes of Thursday 24 March 2011 be adopted

129 CORRESPONDENCE

129.1 Letter from the Colin McKenzie Charity thanking the Council for their grant.

129.2 Letter from George Freeman MP requesting that his contact details be put on the public notice boards in the town. The sheet would be apolitical and free of any party message or logo.

129.3 A letter of response had been received from St James Palace and had been published in the Wayland News. The original letter had been framed and displayed in the Council Office.

130 REPRESENTATIVE ORGANISATION REPORTS

Councillor Michael Wassell stated that the groups at the Participatory budget were the Surge, Youth & Community Centre, Colin McKenzie Centre, St John's Ambulance and the National Blind Association.

He was asked to chase the funding.

131 FLOWER FESTIVAL

The Methodist Church Flower Festival is to be held on 10th, 11th & 12 June 2011 celebrating arrangements to coincide with the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible. The Council's contribution will be a Pedestal 'The Artful Dodger'

It was agreed that the Council ask The Dutch Flower Parade to make the arrangement on behalf of the council to the value of £50.

132 WAYLAND AGRICULTURAL SHOW

An invitation had been received for the Mayor to attend the Wayland Show 2011 on Sunday 7 August.

It was proposed by Councillor Anderson and seconded by Councillor Wassell and

RESOLVED

That entrance and lunch be purchased for the Mayor and a guest.

133 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION MEETING

It was agreed that this had been covered by the Policy Committee meeting minutes

The Meeting ended 8.17pm

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