

Minutes of the meeting of WATTON TOWN COUNCIL held on

Tuesday September 10th 2019 at 7.00pm

at Wayland Hall, Middle Street, Watton, Norfolk IP25 6AG in the Council Chamber

Councillors Present: Pat Warwick - Chairman, Peter Bishop, Beryl Bunning, John Chocqueel-Mangan, Jane Fountain, Keith Gilbert, Keith Prince, Don Saunders, Kathryn Stallard, Les Waller, Tina Kiddell, Stan Hebborn, Sue Hebborn

Officers Present: Michelle Thompson – Deputy Clerk

Also present: 8 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE RECEIVED FROM:

Tina Cruz

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS MADE;

John Chocqueel - Mangan declared an interest in item 9.1 as a resident of Mallard Road.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES 13.08.19

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on August 27th 2019 were agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

3.2 Update on matters from the previous meeting:

- Item 3.2 - Remedial electrical work at Wayland Hall has been booked for Monday 30th September and Tuesday 1st October.
- Item 3.2 – Correspondence has been received from the Diocese regarding the Faculty application. The objections raised have been reviewed and that the determination of the matter be deferred until the outcome of the meeting with Revd Gerry Foster on August 30th is known.
- Item 9.2 (ii) - Initial approach has been made to solicitors re: Parking at Bridle Road
- Carnival approached re: gazebos – to be re-visited next year as committee already has plans for this year.
- Item 9.2 (IV) - Tree risk assessment booked for Thursday 12th September. Tree Surveyor will be starting at the Thetford Road allotments at 10:30 on the day, if anyone wishes to meet him and ask any questions.
- Wayland Hall Listed building consent granted, will now proceed with works for new boiler once deposit is paid. Work commencing Monday 16th September.
- Item 7 - 1 quote received for revamp of Bridle Roads small children's play area, awaiting quotes from Proludic and Kompan.
- An Anglia IT engineer is attending the office to undertake an audit of all IT equipment on Thursday 5th September.
- On Tuesday 10th September an engineer from Anglia IT is attending the office to see if Live streaming can be undertaken through You Tube and through the Town Councils Website.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Chairman's Report

Verbal report given:

Since the last full Council meeting, I have attended the following events:

- 29th August – Remembrance Parade meeting with Sue Dent and Pat Murphy
- 29th August – Loch Neaton Trustee Meeting
- 30th August – Watton Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
- 30th August – Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- 1st September – Mayor of Diss Civic Service
- 4th September – SNAP Meeting
- 4th September – Benjamin Foundation meeting where the Chairman took the signed Statement of Intent
- 4th September – Watton Methodist Church Service for new minister
- 8th September – Watton Town Mayors Civic Service at St Mary's Church
- 9th September – Twinning Association Meeting.

4.2 Vice-Chairman's Report

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4.3 Deputy Clerk's Report.

Written report submitted in agenda pack.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was proposed to remit the Public Participation item to after the planning section of the agenda, to allow Members of the public present to speak on the planning applications listed.

6. DEPOSIT FOR NEW BOILER AND FLUE WORKS AT WAYLAND HALL

It was resolved that the payment of 25% deposit of £3456.68 be paid by BAC's to British Gas towards the new boiler and flue works at Wayland Hall.

7. WAYLAND SHOW 2020

It was proposed to defer this item to the next Town Council meeting once more information has been obtained from the second meeting held with the Wayland Show Trustees.

8. LIVE STREAMING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

It was resolved that In order to ensure that live streaming of Council meetings are available to the maximum number of residents, Watton Town Council resolves that all official live streaming will be hosted via the Council's own website. This will ensure that a permanent record of streaming is available and all official processes connected with streaming are under WTC control. Further the Clerk be instructed to draw up a policy on streaming and retention of recordings of Council meetings.

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9. PLANNING: To consider consultation response to planning applications received since the last Full Council meeting

9.1 3PL/2019/0991/D - Reserved matters application for residential development of 177 dwellings following outline permission 3PL/2015/0254/O - Development Site Mallard Road Watton IP25 6TT

Members of the public present at the meeting expressed their concerns regarding this reserved matters planning application.

It was resolved that a meeting be arrange with the Case Officer and relevant town councillors with the intention that a public meeting be called in the near future inviting residents and other applicable partners.

It was resolved that the Town Council approach other developers to negotiate a better outcome for the town than Tesni has offered.

9.2 3PL/2019/1007/HOU - Front extension to existing garage and convert part of rear of garage to form dressing area and ensuite - WATTON: 30 Charles Avenue Watton

No objections raised

9.3 3PL/2019/0522/F - Erection of two storey dwelling - Land adjacent 1 East Road Watton IP25 6AY - Refusal (**Appealed**)

The Town Council had previously submitted a no objection comment to this application but has since agreed to withdraw that comment and object on the following grounds that the access to the property is too close to the junction therefore causing a danger to traffic.

10. Resolution passed to exclude the press and public to update on confidential matters relating to the Cemetery

12.1 To consider request for addition to headstone.
This item was deferred as no information was received.

Benwick
24.9.19

Item 4.3

Deputy Clerks Report

Correspondence forwarded by e-mail: from August 27th

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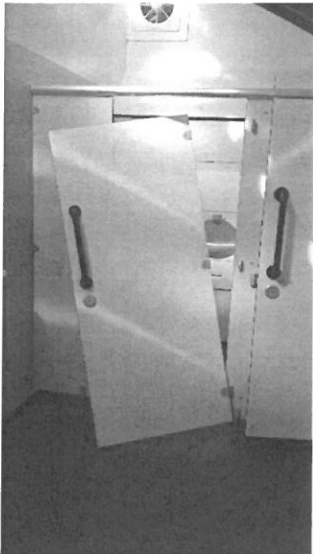
1. Police Connect – 02.09.19
2. Open house coffee and cake drop in – Watton Children's Centre
3. Watton, Saffron Close - Proposed 20mph Speed Limit Order
4. CAN's Sector Newsletter

Cemetery

Adornment removal notices have been placed in the Cemetery with the contractor to remove adornments felt to be outside the Cemetery rules at the end of September.

Public Toilets

The Cleaning Contractor has reported vandalism to the toilets – 02.09.19



As Alex the Town Operative is away, I have asked the contractor who cleans the toilets to take a look. Contractor attended site on 4th Sept – repairs have been done and the toilets are in full working order.

Wayland Hall Boiler

On June 26th the TC resolved to accept the quote from British gas to replace the boiler and reposition the flue at the cost of £13,826.74. Now the listed building consent has been approved British Gas will be commencing the works on Monday 16th September, the work should last roughly 6 days.

Clerks Network Morning

I will be attending the Clerks Network Morning run by Norfolk TPS in Necton on the morning of Wednesday 11th September. It good to meet local Clerks and keep updated.

Trees at Shire Horse Way

Update from Abels re: tree replacement

Email from Paul LeGrice - Managing Director

"We will be happy to replace the two additional trees which have previously being removed in accordance with the original specification. This will be carried out at the same time as replacing the other trees."

Abels have already agreed to replace other trees.

Breckland District Council had confirmed that it was planning for an Officer to attend the Town Council meeting on Sept, 24th to explain Watton special expenses charge but unfortunately they can no longer attend on that date. I'm still awaiting a reply with another meeting date.

As far as I am aware Jon Berry, Head of Development Management, Breckland Council has agreed to attend the Town Council meeting on October 22nd to inform the Council of s106 contributions.

Dates to note:

Date	
11 th Sept	Deputy Clerk to attend Clerks Network Morning – Jane Lambert to cover office
13 th Sept	Finance Meeting 11am
15 th Sept	Watton Carnival
19 th Sept	Clerk's Quarterly Meeting with Rob Walker BDC
20 th Sept	Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
24 th Sept	TC meeting
25 th Sept	Clerk attending planning update session
26 th Sept	Clerk meeting with Swaffham TC Clerk
29 th Sept	2pm – Town Crier Heritage Walk (advance booking needed via the Town Crier's website)
1 st Oct	HR Meeting 2pm
3 rd Oct	CHT Meeting 2pm