

# COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

## **A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday, June 19th 2018 in the Pavilion, Walpole at 7-30pm.**

### **Minutes:**

#### **Present:**

Cllr. Z. Mair (Chairman); Cllr. R. Chase; Cllr. N. Jarvis; Cllr. S. Moore; Cllr. M. Porter; Cllr. D. Whitwood and Cllr. J. Winter:

#### **Also Present:**

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

#### **1) Apologies:**

Cllr. D. Cask; Cllr. I. Newton; Cllr. A. Thomas (Vice-Chairman) and Cllr. M. Wenham:

District and County Cllr. S. Burroughes

#### **2) To receive declarations of interest:**

Cllr. S. Moore declared interests in Cookpole.

Cllr. Z. Mair and Cllr. M. Porter declared interests in CEA and Cookpole.

#### **3) Requests for dispensations:**

There were no requests for dispensation.

#### **4) To receive a report from the County and District Councillor:**

Cllr. S. Burroughes was not at the meeting but the written reports from the County and District Councils were circulated and to be emailed to councillors the next day.

#### **5) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.**

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

#### **6) To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2018 and to review the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on May 15th 2018:**

The Annual Parish Council was agreed with the Minute of Agenda Item No. 25 being moved to Agenda Item No. 22. The Annual Parish Meeting Minutes were also reviewed.

Proposer: Cllr. M. Porter:

Seconder: Cllr. J. Winter:





**16) Clerk's Contract and Pay for 2018/2019 – To review Clerk's Contract and Pay for 2018/2019.**

It was agreed to raise the Clerk's hours from 208 a year to 240 hours a year in response to all the added duties Clerks have to meet currently. As the Clerk is top of the scale, it was agreed for the clerk to remain on Point 22 and for the contribution to the Clerk's Administrative Costs also remaining at £150 per year.

Proposer: Cllr. M. Porter:

Seconder: Cllr. N. Jarvis:

**17) To receive reports on the:**

**Village Green:**

There was some discussion on being able to get from the Walpole Village Green to the river and on a sign indicating the River Blyth running through the Village.

**Flagship Affordable Homes:**

There was no report as Cllr. A. Thomas was not at the meeting.

**Highways:**

There was much discussion regarding potholes in the road.

**Footpaths:**

Cllr. M. Porter reported that the bridge over the Cricketers Meadow is to be replaced by Suffolk County Council Highways. Cllr. J. Winter said that new signs were up.

**Trees:**

It was noted that traffic road signs are being covered by hedges and trees. It was agreed to contact the Suffolk Association of Local Councils (SALC) to ask what legislation the Parish Council can use to get landowners to cut back overhanging and overgrown hedges/trees.

**Cemetery:**

A plot has recently been reserved. It was agreed that the fee would be on the old rates.

**CEA & Allotments:**

It was reported that there had been no meeting recently. However repairs are being made on the shed.

**External Meetings & Training:**

There were no External Meetings & Training reported.

**18) To receive agenda items for the Parish Council Meeting to be held on July 17th 2018:**

It was agreed for Church issues and Fly-Tipping to be on the agenda in July.