

Marham Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held Wednesday, 13th March 2019 at 7.31pm in the Village Hall, Marham

Present:	Chairman	Cllr T Hawkins
	Vice Chairman	Cllr P Walsingham
	Councillors	Cllr I Barrett
		Cllr G Bucke
		Cllr C Child
		Cllr T Harrison
		Cllr D Hawkins
		Cllr C Heather
		Cllr J Hipperson
		Cllr D Paisley
		Cllr Rix-Clark
	Borough Councillors	Cllr G Hipperson
		Cllr M Howland
	RAF Representative	WO G Spark
	Parish Clerk	Mrs S Porter
	Member(s) of Public	12

37. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

38. Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation

There were no declarations of interest declared at this item and no requests for dispensation.

39. Approval of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting

Proposed – Cllr D Hawkins

Seconded – Cllr Harrison

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, 13th February 2019 (items 19-36) are approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

All in favour

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, duly signed and dated the minutes of the meeting.

40. Update on previous minutes (not listed elsewhere on the agenda and for information only)

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, adjourned the meeting at 7.33pm.

Reports

County Councillor

County Cllr Middleton was not present at the meeting and no prior written report had been received.

Borough Councillor

Borough Cllr Howland reported that the BCKL&WN had resolved to increase Council Tax by £4.50 per annum, based on a Band D property. This had been a named vote where eight Councillors had voted against. The Police & Crime Commissioner had increased Council Tax by £24.00 per annum per household and it would be interesting to see where the money will be spent.

A meeting was held on Wednesday, 6th March 2019 where Cllr Howland spoke to Mr Matthew Henry, Property Services Manager and Mr Alistair Beales, Portfolio Holder, regarding the parking problems at Hillside. Both confirmed they could not change the criteria for the 90% clawback but possible solutions of reaching a satisfactory agreement, for both the BCKL&WN and Marham, were deliberated.

On Tuesday, 12th March 2019, Cllr Howland attended a meeting of the Regeneration and Development Panel to consider the prospect of reopening the old King's Lynn to Hunstanton Railway Line. Currently, the twelve-mile journey could take 45 minutes by road, sometimes even longer when the A149 was gridlocked at Heacham. A further application for 600 houses at Knights Hill, currently in the pipeline, could potentially place another 2,500 cars on the A149. The cost to reopen the Railway Line would be in the region of £150M and sources of funding were considered (private enterprise, sponsorship, Government, shareholders, or a combination of all the above).

An article in The Guardian newspaper in December 2015 reported that thousands of footpaths and bridleways across the UK could face being lost forever within a decade under a clause in Right-to-Roam legislation, which will become effective in 2025. Any footpaths and bridleways in existence pre-1949, which do not appear on official maps, could disappear if they are not registered. People walking or riding that have used footpaths for many years may see them closed if farmers remove stiles and put up gates; these individuals will be looking at the legislation very closely. A Right-to-Roam legislation introduced by the Labour Government in 2000 stated that any pre-1949 paths must be recorded by 2026 to carry any rights. The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 contained a provision that will extinguish those rights if they have not been properly recorded. Cllr Rix-Clark was now working hard on this project on behalf of the village to ensure the footpaths were not lost. Further information on this matter can be found on the internet by searching 'Registration for Footpaths'.

Since January 2019, the BCKL&WN Print Room, which had maintenance issues and was in urgent need of repair, has been relocated into the West Anglia College. New premises were currently being sought where print machinery and upgraded technology could be introduced. Despite the disruptions, the staff had been working hard and maintaining customer demand.

Borough Cllr Hipperson reported that the Planning Committee had today unanimously rejected the proposal for a development of 600 houses between Grimston Road and the A149 Knights Hill roundabout. The Planning Committee had carried out site visits and were fully aware of the area and the impact this development could have. It was rejected mainly on the grounds of traffic increase and lack of infrastructure. It was anticipated that the developers would be appealing the decision either in its current form or by means of an amended application.

The newly built King's Lynn Innovation Centre (KLIC) building, a business start-up hub built by Norfolk & Waveney Enterprise Services (NWES), was due to be reclaimed by the BCKL&WN because an outstanding loan of £2.75M to finance it had not been repaid by NWES. The building was currently over 90% occupied and future rents would be paid to the BCKL&WN. Discussions by the BCKL&WN were ongoing.

RAF Marham

WO Spark reported that a final farewell to the iconic Tornado aircraft would be taking place on Thursday, 14th March 2019. A formal dinner was being held to commemorate its departure and a fly-past would be taking place, weather dependent.

500 native British trees had been planted on the Base on a site known as Lady Wood, which would form a nature reserve when the trees were established. The trees were open to adoption by anyone interested in doing so.

The bench at the end of Villebois Road would be in situ soon.

The RAF was getting involved in the Great British Spring Clean (Friday, 22nd March 2019 to Tuesday, 23rd April 2019). As the Parish Council was also taking part in this, a joint venture could be held. This was noted.

Public Participation

One member of public raised concern about a fly infestation in the Sports Pavilion.

The Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham, confirmed that the problem stemmed from the loft and would be remedied shortly with pest control products. It was noted that visitors could use the disabled toilet on the side of the building in the interim.

A further member of public enquired whether residents were entitled to submit editorials for inclusion in the P&S magazine.

Cllr Child reported that important village information had to take priority, but providing there was space in the magazine, residents' comments regarding any village matters could be printed. The December publication had focused on the village Christmas activities and the recent edition had included a full page editorial on details of the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review which had meant extra articles could not be published. The next edition would be providing details of the Local Plan Consultation but if there was room available, extra articles could be published.

Another member of public raised concern about the parking in Squires Hill which obscured the view of oncoming traffic at the bend. It was also noted that a large bush on the Millennium Green was impairing vision. The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, reported that the parking issues in this road were regularly reported, and had again been put to Norfolk County Council Highways and Elizabeth Truss MP very recently. However, suggested parking restrictions were dismissed by Highways with the view that the on-street parking would then shift to The Street, causing even greater problems for road users.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, agreed to forward the gentleman's concerns to County Cllr Middleton for his consideration of this matter.

Cllr Harrison confirmed that the bush on the Millennium Green belonged to the Parish Council and this would be investigated.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, resumed the meeting at 7.56pm.

41. Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review

41.1. Report from the Campaigners Against Two Silica Sites (CATSS) group

Cllr Child reported that the CATSS group had sold most of the clothing and had no intention of purchasing further clothing at this time. There was nothing further to report to this meeting.

41.1.1. To receive requests for expenditure and approve the disbursement(s)

There had been no requests for expenditure received from the CATSS group prior to the meeting.

41.1.2. To receive, consider and agree actions to be taken forward

There were no actions for consideration.

42. Finance

42.1. Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk had circulated the bank reconciliation, period ending February 2019, with the agenda. The bank balances were as follows:

February 2019

Bank Reconciliation	Community Account (£)	Business Account (£)
Bank Statement Start Balances	5,144.93	67,103.87
Total Opening Bank Balances		72,248.80
Unpresented Cheques B/F	- 126.10	-
Unpresented Receipts B/F	-	-
Council Opening Balances	5,018.83	67,103.87
Council Total Opening Balances		72,122.70
Receipts	1,933.35	-
Payments	- 2,040.34	-
Bank Statement Close Balances	5,037.94	67,103.87
Total Closing Bank Balances		72,141.81
Unpresented Cheques	-	-
Unpresented Receipts	-	-
Council Closing Balances	5,037.94	67,103.87
Council Total Closing Balances		72,141.81

Earmarked Funds	
Operating Costs (6 Months)	20,000.00
Pensions Contribution	1,000.00
Village Hall Alterations	14,000.00
Elections (5 Year to £1000) Year 4	1,000.00
Parish Plan Review	1,000.00
Emergency Plan (5 Year to £2000) Year 4	2,000.00
Electrical Check Village Hall (3 Year to £450)	450.00
Electrical Check Pavilion (3 Year to £750)	750.00
Tree Safety Maintenance	5,000.00
Churchyard Wall Maintenance & Restoration	7,916.00
Allotment Deposits Held	450.00
Allotment Fencing (5 Year to £1000) Year 1	400.00
Street Lighting	1,500.00
Village Hall Fencing	2,000.00
Village Hall Disabled Toilet Fundraising	3,336.29
Events Goods and Equipment	654.79
Norfolk Waste & Minerals Review (CATSS)	712.65
CIL Payments	84.60
Total Earmarked Reserves	62,254.33

Reconciliation Community Account (£)	
Bank Statement 01.02.2019	5,144.93
Receipts	1,933.35
Payments Cleared	- 2,040.34
Bank Statement 28.02.2019	5,037.94
Unpresented Cheques	-
Unpresented Receipts	-
Council Closing Balance	5,037.94

Reconciliation Business Account (£)	
Bank Statement 01.02.2019	67,103.87
Receipts	-
Payments Cleared	-
Bank Statement 28.02.2019	67,103.87
Unpresented Cheques	-
Unpresented Receipts	-
Council Closing Balance	67,103.87
Council Total Closing Balances	72,141.81

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Council Total Earmarked Reserves	62,254.33		

Chairman Signed Dated

42.2. Pre-authorised payments, receipts and pending disbursements

The Clerk had circulated the payments and receipts made since the last meeting and presented the late bills to the meeting:

Date	Payee	Description	Transaction	Net Payment £	VAT Amount £	Gross Payment £	Receipt £
14.02.2019	Village Hall / Sports Pavilion	Lettings Jan-Feb 19	200074	0.00	0.00	0.00	308.50
14.02.2019	Race Night Event	Proceeds	200075	0.00	0.00	0.00	1285.00
15.02.2019	OVO Energy	Electric Village Hall Jan 2019	DD	339.05	16.95	356.00	0.00
26.02.2019	Bestus Bus Solutions Ltd (Ebay)	Bingo Event raffle books	Debit Card	10.82	2.17	12.99	0.00
26.02.2019	Gartree Press Limited (Ebay)	Bingo Event bingo tickets	Debit Card	12.50	2.50	15.00	0.00
27.02.2019	A F Holman & Son	Cemetery Fees	100511	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
28.02.2019	E-On	Electric Sports Pavilion	DD	73.85	3.69	77.54	0.00
28.02.2019	Ashill Fire Protection Ltd	Annual Extinguisher Service VH	BACS	57.00	11.40	68.40	0.00
28.02.2019	Cllr T Hawkins	Chair's Allowance Feb 2019	BACS	15.30	0.00	15.30	0.00
28.02.2019	Bookings & Caretaking Officer	Contract February 2019	BACS	243.45	0.00	243.45	0.00
28.02.2019	Clerk	Salary February 2019	BACS	671.06	0.00	671.06	0.00
28.02.2019	Clerk	Expenses February 2019	BACS	18.10	0.00	18.10	0.00
28.02.2019	HMRC	Employer PAYE/NI Feby 2019	BACS	179.99	0.00	179.99	0.00
02.03.2019	Bowls Club	Water Charges Nov 18 - Feb 19	100460	0.00	0.00	0.00	71.94
04.03.2019	Barclays Bank Plc	Bank Interest	BACS	0.00	0.00	0.00	33.46
04.03.2019	The Norfolk Hospice	Race Night Donation	103500	310.00	0.00	310.00	0.00
04.03.2019	Swaffham & Litcham Hospice	Race Night Donation	103501	310.00	0.00	310.00	0.00
04.03.2019	Cancer Care & Treatment Fund	Race Night Donation	103502	310.00	0.00	310.00	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Womersley's)	3 Bags Mortar Churchyard Wall	103503	66.12	0.00	66.12	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Harrys Garden)	50 x Privet Churchyard Wall	103504	50.99	0.00	50.99	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Barriers Direct)	Post Coronation Playing Field	103504	39.44	7.89	47.33	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Fred Williamson)	Paint Coronation Playing Field	103504	6.62	1.33	7.95	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Berlin Tools)	Padlocks Coronation Play Field	103504	8.28	1.66	9.94	0.00
06.03.2019	Cllr T Harrison (Ironmongerydirect)	Bolt Lock Coronation Play Field	103504	13.76	0.00	13.76	0.00
08.03.2019	Wave (Anglian Water)	Bowls/Pav Water Nov-Feb 19	DD	209.76	0.00	209.76	0.00
08.03.2019	Wave (Anglian Water)	Village Hall	DD	26.99	0.00	26.99	0.00
08.03.2019	Wave (Anglian Water)	Cemetery	DD	10.75	0.00	10.75	0.00
08.03.2019	BCKL&WN	Dog Waste Feb 18 - Feb 19	BACS	697.45	139.49	836.94	0.00
08.03.2019	Veolia	Waste Collect Cemetery Feb 19	BACS	31.40	6.28	37.68	0.00
Late Bills / Receipts (Received after Agenda advertised)							
11.03.2019	E-On	Street Lighting Feb 2019	DD	66.18	3.31	69.49	0.00
Totals				3778.86	196.67	3975.53	1738.90

Cllr Harrison raised concern about the Anglian Water invoice for the Bowls Club and Sports Pavilion. The Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham, agreed to investigate the meters and report back to the Clerk in order that actual readings could be submitted to Wave.

Proposed – Cllr Heather

Seconded – Cllr D Hawkins

That the payment of bills are approved in accordance with the schedule.

All in favour

43. Updates and actions regarding ongoing matters

43.1. Allotments

Cllr Barrett declared a pecuniary interest in this item as she was a current tenant on the allotment site.

Cllr Barrett reported that two plots were still vacant.

Chairman Signed Dated

43.2. Churchyard

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

43.3. Cemetery

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

43.4. Village Hall

Cllr Harrison reported that he had seen defibrillators which had a copy of the actual keypad next to the unit so that people using the device in the dark could identify which numbers related to each key. The Clerk would contact the manufacturer to investigate whether a copy keypad could be obtained.

43.5. Sports Pavilion, Playground and Playing Field

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

43.6. Community Speed Watch

Cllr Paisley reported that 37 vehicles had been monitored travelling at 35mph and above.

43.7. SAM2

The Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham had circulated the SAM2 graphs for February 2019 prior to the meeting. The Clerk had forwarded the information to the Norfolk Safety Camera Partnership. 17,374 vehicles had registered on the camera of which 2,926 (16.8%) had been travelling at 35mph and above. This was a reduction of 2.2% compared with the February 2018 statistics.

43.8. General Grounds Maintenance

Cllr Heather reported that he had contacted Norse Commercial Services to query their final invoice. Norse had subsequently responded to confirm that the invoice would stand and that a further payment for works carried out in August 2018 was also overdue. The Clerk and Cllr Harrison had looked into this and confirmed that no schedule of works and/or invoice had been received in August 2018 and it was suspicious that this had only now arisen.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, adjourned the meeting at 8.16pm in order to allow a member of public to speak.

The member of public advised that she had taken photographs of the Coronation Playing Field last year following every contracted cut and had forwarded the photographs to Cllr Harrison each time. Because of the extreme hot weather last year, she did not recall any grounds maintenance being carried out in August 2018. Cllr Harrison confirmed his agreement to this. The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, thanked the member of public for her participation in this discussion.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, resumed the meeting at 8.18pm.

Cllr Heather agreed to follow this matter up with Norse Commercial Services.

Cllr Harrison reported that the Marham Poors Trust was holding a meeting on Tuesday, 19th March 2019 at which he would inform them that they could apply for 420 free trees from the Woodland Trust. The trees, if approved, would provide an excellent screen on their land. It was noted that the trees were very small when received and a huge community planting event could be carried out by children and other interested volunteers.

43.9. Street Lights

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

43.10. Proposed and Seconded

The March edition of the P&S had recently been delivered by Councillors to all properties in the village. Cllr Child confirmed that the next edition of the P&S magazine would be issued in June 2019.

Further details of the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Consultation dates would be included and information regarding the Local Plan Consultation.

43.11. Village Events

43.11.1. Report and recommendations from the Events Working Group

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, reported on the events as follows:

43.11.1.1. Charity Race Night (Saturday, 9th February 2019) - Debrief

A cheque presentation to each of Mrs Pam Weal's chosen charities had taken place on Monday, 11th March 2019. The Lynn News had been present and an article with photographs would be published soon.

43.11.1.2. Charity Bingo Night (Friday, 22nd March 2019)

Adrian Flux had kindly donated £50.00 in High Street vouchers for this event and 57 tickets had been sold.

43.11.1.3. Easter Eggstravaganza – Sunday, 7th April 2019

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

43.11.1.4. Yard Sale & Charity Book Sale – Sunday, 19th May 2019

The Hilgay Bi-Annual Charity Book Sale and Yard Sale would be commencing one hour after Marham's start time. Leaflets would be handed to visitors to promote each other's events.

43.11.1.5. Fun Day – Sunday, 9th June 2019

Over 30 stalls had booked and 20 classic cars had confirmed their attendance. Cllr Rix-Clark had written to various supermarkets asking for donations and responses were awaited.

43.12. Community Payback

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, reported that she would be meeting Mr Bryan Foster on Tuesday, 19th March 2019, to have jobs risk assessed. Including the tasks already on the list, it was suggested that the end section of the bush on the Millennium Green be removed by them. The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, would include this.

It was noted that the RAF would be clearing Dobbins Lane and they were thanked for this.

43.13. Consultation work of PRoW's

Cllr Rix-Clark reported that she had been investigating five Public Rights of Way (PRoW) footpaths in Marham, some information of which dated back to 1797. Sadly, route no 5 had a Stopping Up Order served 18th October 1963 by the Secretary of State and the RAF base had since been built over part of this path. A letter had also been found in the archives stating that Marham Parish Council had considered it to be a waste of time and money. This route could therefore not be reinstated on the Definitive Map.

Norfolk County Council had been very helpful with investigations; information from them was ongoing. Cllr Rix-Clark intended to visit the Norfolk Record Office in Norwich prior to the next meeting. It was also noted that Cllr Rix-Clark had purchased a book to help with her investigations.

The Clerk confirmed that any out of pocket expenses for materials, travel and stationery must be reclaimed. Cllr Rix-Clark would forward the Clerk an expenses claim and this would be added to the next agenda for formal approval.

One member of public left the Council Chamber at 8.45pm.

44. Planning

44.1. Planning applications

No planning applications had been received from the BCKL&WN.

44.2. Planning decisions

No planning decisions had been received from the BCKL&WN.

44.3. Late planning applications and decisions

No late planning applications or decisions had been received from the BCKL&WN.

45. General correspondence

45.1. For action/information

45.1.1. Local Plan Review [Core Strategy (CS) adopted in 2011 and Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Plan (SADMP) adopted in 2016 combined draft document setting out a strategy and detail for delivering growth in the Borough, identifying where development should be located and how it should be delivered up to 2036] – Consultation Draft (4th March 2019 – 15th April 2019)

The Clerk had circulated the Local Plan Review to Councillors prior to the agenda. A long discussion took place and it was agreed to object on the following grounds:

11.1 – Marham – Growth Key Rural Service Centres

The statement in 11.1.1. regarding village services and amenities is factually incorrect. The RAF facilities located on the Base are not available for all residents to use. The outlets located outside the camp gate (Post Office store, library, cafe and hairdresser) are the only RAF amenities available to civilians. This statement must therefore be removed from the Local Plan or amended accordingly.

MAR1 – Land off School Lane Policy

1. During the last consultation review, the Parish Council opposed 25 dwellings on this site and remains opposed, particularly when the number could now be potentially higher. The document refers to the number of dwellings as being, 'at least', and therefore gives no prediction of the actual number of dwellings that could be developed on this site. There is an expectation that Local Councils are expected to be as transparent and open as possible; transparency and openness are fundamental principles behind everything Local Councils do. The words, 'at least', completely contradict this ideology and the statement is therefore ambiguous. The words 'at least' must be removed completely or replaced with the actual maximum number of dwellings that could be built on this site.
2. During the last consultation, this site was discarded from the Local Plan due to drainage and access issues, so the Council is astonished to see that it is now being considered again.
3. It is considered that 25 dwellings would create a cramped form of development and represent an over-intensive use of the site and would be unsympathetic to, and out of character with, the existing adjacent developments.
4. The proposal still does not provide safe vehicular access to or from the surrounding public highway network. The highway infrastructure on Church View, School Lane, Mill Lane and Church Lane is very poor with no footpaths for pedestrians who walk along these roads.
5. Under the National Planning Policy Framework all developments should be undertaken in a sustainable manner and under the National Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems (December 2011). Marham is not connected to a mains drainage system so a further large development in this area could potentially lead to flooding and/or other associated problems for neighbouring properties, in particular for those located in School Lane.
6. The proposed development would create an adverse impact upon the residential amenities of neighbouring properties by virtue of the physical relationship between buildings and is considered to be contrary to advice contained within the National Planning Policy Framework for Delivering Sustainable Development.

G56.1 – Land at The Street Policy

1. The Parish Council does not object to 50 dwellings on this site, providing only that this is the maximum permitted. If the number were to be higher, the Parish Council would strongly oppose this. The document refers to the number of dwellings as being, 'at least', and therefore gives no prediction of the actual number of dwellings that could be developed on this site.

There is an expectation that Local Councils are expected to be as transparent and open as possible; transparency and openness are fundamental principles behind everything Local Councils do. The words, 'at least', completely contradict this ideology and the statement is therefore ambiguous. The words 'at least' must be removed completely or replaced with the actual maximum number of dwellings that could be built on this site.

The Clerk would submit the objections to the BCKL&WN.

45.1.2. Pledge to support CPRE Norfolk in its campaign aimed at ensuring that no new sites are allocated for house building in revised local plans to 2029 or 2036 until existing allocations in current core strategies have been developed

The Clerk had circulated the CPRE Pledge to Councillors prior to the agenda. A short discussion took place.

It was agreed for the Clerk to sign the CPRE Pledge on behalf of the Council.

45.2. Late correspondence

No late correspondence had been received.

46. BCKL&WN issues

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

47. Highway matters

There was nothing to report to this meeting.

48. Norfolk County Council issues

48.1. Parish Partnership Scheme 2019/2020

Details of the bids submitted to Norfolk County would be announced shortly.

49. Matters to report to the Clerk

There were no matters to report to the Clerk.

50. Items for the next agenda

There were no matters to report to the Clerk.

51. To record the date and time of the next Full Council meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday, 17th April 2019 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

The remaining members of public left the Council Chamber at 9.01pm.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, adjourned the meeting at 9.01pm for an interim break and resumed the meeting at 9.13pm.

Borough Cllr Hipperson and Borough Cllr Howland left the Council Chamber at 9.13pm.

52. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 S1)

Proposed – Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins

Seconded – Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 Section 1, the press and public be excluded from the meeting in order to allow confidential items to be discussed.

All in favour

52.1. Council laptop for Events and SAM2 data (deferred from previous meeting)

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, and Cllr D Hawkins declared a pecuniary interest in this item as the Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, owned the laptop being offered for sale to the Council.

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Cllr Heather

Seconded – Cllr Child

That the Council purchases a used Acer laptop with an i3 processor, 8gb RAM, 1TB HDD, Windows 10 from Cllr T Hawkins at a cost of £100.00.

For – 9

Against – 0

Abstentions – 2 (Declared Interests)

52.2. Sports Pavilion, Playground and Playing Field

52.2.1. Sports Pavilion floors (deferred from previous meeting)

See Confidential Report.

52.2.2. Under 7's Shouldham Football Team

52.2.2.1. Hire Charges for team

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham

Seconded – Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins

That the Council leases the Coronation Playing Field football pitch and Sports Pavilion to the Under 7's Shouldham Football Team at a cost of £7.50 per week.

For – 10

Against – 0

Abstentions – 1

Cllr Barrett left the meeting at 9.28pm.

52.2.2.2. Floodlights for training and games

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham

Seconded – Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins

That the Council purchases 3 x Home Black PIR and Floodlights from Argos at a cost of £10.83 per light (£32.49 for 3) + £2.17 per light (£6.51 for 3) VAT = £39.00 and 50m of 2.5mm twin and earth cable from Wickes at a cost of £26.67 + £5.33 VAT = £32.00 for installation on the Sports Pavilion at the Coronation Playing Field.

All in favour

52.2.3. Bowls Club changing facilities for matches

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Vice Chairman, Cllr Walsingham

Seconded – Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins

That permission is given to the Bowls Club to use the Sports Pavilion as changing facilities for its bowls matches on Friday evenings between the months of mid April to end August at a cost of £5.00 per session.

All in favour

52.3. Village Hall Planning Application 18/01721/F

52.3.1. Sale of land and current offer price

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Cllr Heather

Seconded – Cllr Bucke

That the Council approves the offer price currently provided to Revells Estate Agent Ltd for the sale of land adjacent to the Village Hall.

All in favour

Proposed – Cllr Heather

Seconded – Cllr Bucke

That the Council agrees to pay a percentage of the cost of the skip hire for the removal of the asbestos incurred by the builder as this clearance includes part of the Village Hall land.

All in favour

Proposed – Cllr D Hawkins

Seconded – Cllr Paisley

That the Council gives permission for the builder to place a septic tank on the Village Hall land or feed it into the existing Village Hall septic tank subject to a legal agreement that the maintenance costs of the system will be shared 50/50.

For – 8

Against – 2

Abstentions – 0

52.3.2. Voluntary litter picking day

See Confidential Report.

52.4. Churchyard

52.4.1. Condition of Boundary Wall

See Confidential Report.

52.4.2. Privet hedge trimming

See Confidential Report.

Proposed – Cllr Bucke

Seconded – Cllr Harrison

That the Council contracts J T Caley Forestry & Arboriculture to trim the privet hedge on the boundary of the Churchyard and Belmont House at a cost of £175.00, as detailed in the quotation received.

All in favour

The Clerk advised that in view of J T Caley Forestry & Arboriculture continually submitting the cheapest quotation for ad hoc grounds maintenance works and providing an excellent service, that this be placed on the next agenda for consideration by the Council that future ad hoc grounds maintenance works be contracted to them.

The Chairman, Cllr T Hawkins, closed confidentiality and resumed the meeting at 10.07pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 10.07pm.