

# **HOCKWOLD-CUM-WILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, Main Street, Hockwold  
on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7.30pm

Councillors of Hockwold cum Wilton Parish Council

Present: Cllr Randall, Cllr Royal, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Williams, Cllr Sismey, Cllr Newman

Hilary R Cox, Clerk

Martin Storey, Borough and NCC Councils

Squadron Leader Geary

Two members of the public

## **15 minute open forum**

No requests to speak.

*Members of the Press and Public are invited to voice their comments and concerns in the Open Forum. However, the law does not permit members of the public and press to take part in the debates. Hilary R Cox, Parish Clerk & RFO*

**276. To receive and approve apologies for absence.** Apologies from Cllr Green, Cllr Sullivan and Cllr Johns

**277. To receive any declarations of interest from Members & consider requests for dispensation**  
NONE

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Hockwold cum Wilton Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

**278. To approve minutes of the Council meeting held 12th September 2023** Proposed to approve minutes by Cllr Royal. Seconded by Cllr Morgan. RESOLVED.

### **a. To approve minutes of the EXORD Council meeting held 26th September 2023**

Minutes so be corrected and put forward in November's agenda for approval.

**290. To consider the co-option of Parish Councillor** - On the Chairman's authority this item was moved forward and handled first. Mrs Newman's letter of intent was distributed. The council had an opportunity to ask Mrs Newman questions about her interest in serving on the council. The chairman took a vote to co-opt Mrs Newman as a Parish Councillor for Hockwold cum Wilton Parish Council. The vote was unanimous in favour. Mrs Newman was welcomed to the PC. The clerk had her sign the necessary paperwork, and welcomed her to participate in the meeting as a councillor.

### **279. Reports from:**

**a. RAF Lakenheath** "RAF Lakenheath conducting a competency and currency training sorties from RAF Lakenheath, which included two weeks of night flying at the start of the month. The 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing hosted some Norwegian F35s aircraft for two weeks whilst they participated in Exercise COBRA WARRIOR. On 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023, the 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing conducted a 9/11 remembrance ceremony. In addition, members of the wing attended a plethora of Battle of Britain events around Suffolk and Norfolk. Mrs Vikki Quamina has joined the 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing as the new Community Relations Advisor. Looking forward, planning continues for the Aircraft Crash Exercise that will be conducted at the RAF Honington on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Additionally, we are currently finalising the plans for 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing representation at Remembrance events in November. "

**b. Norfolk County Council & Borough WNKL Council, Cllr Martin Storey** – Norfolk Fire and Rescue has educated over 80,000 children over the past 20 years. They will deliver six events cost free across the county. There is a Healthy Eating Program that started on the 18<sup>th</sup> September and will last for 12 weeks. Travel Car volunteer drivers are needed. This program serves people who have challenges in transportation. For more information look on the NCC website or contact NCC Storey directly. <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/> OR [martin.storey@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:martin.storey@norfolk.gov.uk)

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- c. **HRAC** – Cllr Randall informed the PC members that the clerk's appraisal will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> November.
- d. **Chairman** – None as all is covered in other items.
- e. **Clerk (APL)** The Action Point Log was distributed and discussed. All questions answered.

### **280. Matters arising (for information only)**

#### **a. To report progress on matters arising from previous minutes (not elsewhere on agenda)**

**281. To confirm receipt of NALC, CAN, POLICE and other correspondence** - All Councillors present received their updates and correspondence. No queries.

#### **282. Planning Matters**

**a. To receive results & updates of outstanding applications** - All decisions have been read out.

i. 23/01340/LDP Hockwold cum Wilton, Annexe At White Dyke Farm Black Dyke Road  
Hockwold cum Wilton Norfolk - Lawful Development Certificate: Single storey rear extension  
Was-Would be Lawful- 19 September 2023 - Delegated Decision

**b. To receive new planning applications relevant to the village and make comment**

i. 23/01168/F | Two storey rear extension and front porch | 8 Pearces Close Hockwold cum  
Wilton Norfolk IP26 4LU

The PC discussed the application and had no comment.

**283. Home Improvement Scheme Speaker Jacob Medlock of WNKL Housing Standards Office**  
Clerk informed the PC that Mr Medlock gave his apologies, as he had to cancel his attendance. No further date was set.

**284. To discuss possible participation in the D-Day 80 celebrations** – Cllr Randall reported that both FOHSA and WI were interested in being involved and she was awaiting responses from other organisations. This item to be included in November's agenda.

**285. To hear an update and discuss the location for the commemorative bench** -Clerk had distributed a report and update previously. The CCT has approved the proposal. The clerk was given permission to move forward with purchase of the bench within the financial budget of £1500.00 and fitting the approved bench type. Clerk to contact contractor to install the bench and report back to the PC at November's meeting. Clerk to add this to the APL.

**286. To discuss the possibility of an additional litter bin in the village** – The details of bins costs and collections were discussed. The possible siting of a bin was considered. Clerk to contact the VH about the relocation of the bin and report back to the PC at November's Meeting.

**287. To discuss the council notice board** - To be carried forward to a future meeting once the 3 required quotes for notice boards have been received.

**288. To hear an update on the locations and use of Hockwold village bus stops and discuss findings** – report was heard from the clerk. The clerk is investigating who is responsible for the bus stop signs and the costs. Clerk to report back to the council when more information is available.

#### **289. Blank Item**

#### **291. Finance**

**a. To agree payment of October's invoices** - Proposed to approve BOA by Cllr Williams. Seconded by Cllr Randall. Agreed by all.

#### **292. Items for the next agenda**

- D-Day Celebrations
- Bus Stop Signs

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- Community Orchard
- HRAC Report
- Bin for VH

**293. To confirm date and times of the Parish Council Meeting on 14th November 2023 starting at 7.30. Meetings takes place in Hockwold Village Hall, Main Street IP264LW.**

Distribution:

One copy to each Councillor. Copies to Mr M Storey Norfolk County Councillor, & Cllr Lawrence District Councillors, Squadron Leader Geary RAF Lakenheath and one copy for the web-site.