

Wormegay Parish Council - Meeting Minutes

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The meeting of Wormegay Parish Council took place on 30th Oct 2018 in Tottenhill and Wormegay Village Hall at 8pm.

Present: *Chair:* Gwen Reddington, *Councillors:* Kevan Reddington, Mike Johnson, Peter Sneesby. *Borough Councillors* Mike Howland and Geoff Hipperson. *Clerk:* Julian Snape. Also present were 2 parishioners.

1. Apology for Absence

Councillor Jonathan Pearce

2. Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None

3. Minutes of Meeting Held on 25th Sep 2018 to be Approved and Signed

These were duly approved unanimously and signed. No matters were reported.

4. Chairman's, Borough Councillors and Clerks Reports

Borough Councillor:

Borough Councillor Mike Howland reported that the last full Borough Council meeting was cancelled due to the nearby fire at the Sue Ryder shop. Boundary changes to Wards have now occurred but this doesn't effect Wormegay. He has been appointed to the King's Lynn Conservancy Board and he will be attempting to win his seat back as an independent candidate at the next elections.

Chairman:

The purchase of a dog mess bag collection bin for the Village Green has been investigated and will cost £145.00 +VAT to purchase and £90.00 +VAT per year to have emptied on a weekly basis.

There was some uncertainty as to who actually owns Wormegay Village Green for permission to install, however Borough Councillor Hipperson suggested it could be done on an 'Acting in Lieu of Ownership' basis as it is with some other Parish Councils. As dog mess has been a complaint of Parishioners for some time it was put to a vote and the purchase and install of a bin was unanimously approved.

Flashing speed warning signs have been investigated and found to cost £3,700 from the Highways department (although there may be grants available to reduce the cost a little). If one is purchased a Councillor will need to be trained in their use and the sign moved at regular intervals.

As parishioners suggested at the last meeting there will be an 11th of November party starting at 18:30 hrs in the Village Hall to celebrate Armistice Day the end of the First World War which will include refreshments and music.

Clerk:

Norfolk Parish Training and Support subscription had been paid (£61.00) and their services are in the process of being used to develop a better website for Wormegay Parish Council at a cost of £120.00

5. Health and Safety

Nothing to report.

6. Financial Report for this Meeting and Approval of Cheques

Current balance	£13,402.98
Clerk Wages & expenses	£141.92 CHQ# 701
Closing balance	£13,261.06

7. Reports from Last Meeting & Parishioner Participation (Limited to 3 Minutes Each)

Lighting by the school junction was brought up by a Parishioner as it is increasingly hard to spot during autumn and winter months. It was suggested that the school be approached to see if it were possible to put either fluorescent paint or tape on the fencing by the junction to improve the situation.

Although it looks increasingly possible that Councillor Pearce may have a defibrillator at his factory that may be available for use in the village, a parishioner brought up the potential use of the old phone box in the village as a defibrillator station. The parishioner will look into adopting it as an individual and if that is not possible the Parish Council may consider doing so.

8. Planning

No new planning applications

9. Other village matters and items for future agendas

Co-option of a new Parish Councillor

This was discussed and Mr Daniel Redman duly nominated, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. He was given the Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms as required which were duly completed.

Playground equipment

It was decided by a unanimous vote of the Councillors that the Playing Equipment be disposed of to one of the number of interested parties. This process would need them to agree to bear the cost of removal and restitution of the playing field surface. Should there then be more than one party still interested in the equipment it would be decided by 'sealed bid donation' to the Parish Council.

The meeting finished at 20:45hrs

10. The date and time of the next Parish Council Meeting is Tuesday 27th November 2018 at 7pm in the Tottenhill and Wormegay Village Hall.