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**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Hellesdon Parish Council
 Held on Tuesday 14th September 2021
 At The Parish Office, Council Chambers, Diamond Jubilee Lodge**

PRESENT:

Cllr D King, Chair	
Cllr W Johnson, Vice Chair (Left at Agenda item 6)	
Cllr S Gurney	Cllr L Douglass
Cllr D Fahy	Cllr K Avenell
Cllr R Sear	Cllr R Forder
Cllr S Bush-Trivett	

In attendance: Mrs N Carver, Clerk
 Mr D Thrower CEO Wensum Trust
 District Cllr S Prutton
 2 Members of the public

WELCOME –The Chairman welcomed Councillors, Mr. Thrower from Wensum Trust and members of the public.

1. Apologies and acceptance for absence

Apologies of absence were received from Cllr Britton, Cllr Diffey, Cllr Franklin, Cllr Fulcher and Cllr Potter, these were **ACCEPTED**.

Cllr Johnson Noted he would need to leave the meeting at 8pm.

To note apologies received from Cllr Britcher on Voicemail picked up after the meeting

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

No further declarations or dispensations were received.

3. Minutes from Full Council meeting held 10th August 2021

The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 10th August 2021 were circulated, they were accepted by all those present at the meeting as a true record, it was

RESOLVED TO ACCEPT

4. Wensum Trust

Mr. Thrower CEO of Wensum Trust attended the meeting and gave a verbal update on the Trust. He updated on how they as a Trust had delt and continue to deal with Covid. Since he took on the position of CEO the Trust has become financially stronger over the 3 years despite Covid. One of the key areas the Trust is working on is the mental health of its students – and Investing time in this. Working with students on direction in a career path, by working alongside outside companies, like the Royal Shakespeare Company, in tern making the curriculum rich and exciting.

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Engaging with the children to have a career path that may not always be academic but looking at the apprenticeships that are on offer. The Trust have the support and are working with Norman Lamb.

The Arden Grove development has had a delay but are hoping to open in early November.

Mr. Thrower spoke with regards to working in partnership with the Parish Council, in the future and would like to look to come back and have wider discussions on how they could do this.

Questions from the Councillors were then verbally presented to Mr. Thrower -

Cllr Gurney asked for an update regards to the plans for a possible new school at Firside. Mr. Thrower updated that Firside had been elected as part redevelopment program for either a refurbishment or new build following a meeting with DFE. This is still at early stages but it will enable Firside to be equipped in suitable buildings to further educate the children.

Cllr Gurney asked about the career path into nursing/social care had been looked at for the High School career development , Mr. Thrower responded that they are now trying to pursue this going forward.

Cllr king spoke with regards to a possible future Youth Council, the Parish Council had already worked with the High School recently consulting with the children on equipment in the Yard and would like to continue the democratic processes followed. He said that the Parish Council would like to continue to work with the School/Trust working on future projects with a possible focus group. Mr Thrower would be happy to look at this and continue to work with the Parish Council. Cllr Douglass asked for the school to participate at the Diamond Jubilee Fair next May 2022 with performances from the school’s students, Mr. Thrower said that the school would be happy to participate, Cllr Douglass to follow up on this.

5. Public Participation

A member of the public asked the council for an update on the 20mph speed limit for Meadow Way.

Cllr Gurney responded as the County Councillor. The change in speed limit has a number of legal processes to go through before it can be imposed. Cllr Gurney will speak with the Highways Officer for an update on this matter.

The question was then asked as to why all the other schools in Hellesdon already had a speed limit of 20mph in place, but not Meadow Way. Cllr Gurney explained that this goes back to when the limits were put in place the rear gate of Firside was not operational and meant there was no prevision at the time to put a restriction on speed. The speed limit reduction for Meadow Way has been lambasted by local residents and other political groups, however the Clerk will contact the school and ask if another trial period, closing the rear gates could be carried out.

The resident then asked about why the new Zebra crossing outside Firside School was put in place as there is now a lollypop person. Cllr Gurney responded that the Zebra crossing was placed there as an accident prevention along with the wooden bollards, as there was no lollypop person in place at the time. Cllr Gurney will look into why there is now a lollypop person on this section of road as she had not been made aware of this by the County Council .

6. Reports from

a) Parish Clerk

The Parish Clerk’s report was previously circulated.

RESOLVED TO ACCEPT THE REPORT

Correspondence from Norfolk County Council had been previously circulated to all Councillors and **NOTED**

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Correspondence on the Parish Partnership 2022/2023 funding had been circulated to all Councillors. The Clerk had requested for Councillors to consider options for Parish Partnership funding 2022/2023. Cllr King suggested looking at additional and possible replacement SAM 2 speed monitoring Units for the Parish, no further suggestions were made. Item to be included on the Agenda at the October Meeting of the Full Council.

b) Updates from County and District Councillors

Verbal reports were given by the following County and District Councillors.

- District Cllr Prutton updated the Parish that the £500 grant funding she received from Broadland District Council today, had been approved to be used to help fund a defibrillator at the Apple Green Station on Cromer Road, along with funds raised by Bodyworks and Apple Green themselves. This will be another defibrillator in the Parish that can be accessed 24h a day. County and District Cllr Gurney gave a verbal update. Herself and Cllr King had met with Parish Hall on the Low Road and discussed having a defibrillator located there using their District Councillor Grant Funding. On a District level the homelessness in the Parish from private rentals has recently increased and she is working to see if the empty properties in the Parish can be used to accommodate these families.

The Contract for waste collection service has been allocated and information related to this will be given to the District Councillors at the end of the month, the Parish Council will be updated at next Full Council meeting in October.

Cllr Gurney updated on County matters. At the last meeting of Norfolk County Council Transforming Cities, it was agreed that they will not be removing the crossing on the Boundary Road, this was a result in cross party working with herself and the County Councillor in Mile Cross. This is now not been removed from the plans, though there will be a public consultation taking place looking at a cycle way going through Vera road/Overbury Road, this possibly making Vera Road one way. The aim is to encourage cyclists through the Parish into the city.

- c) A verbal update from the Chairman was given. He attended a Norfolk Police Priority Setting meeting along with District Councillor Prutton. Items for Hellesdon that were discussed at the meeting were Anti Social Behavior and Speeding, as a priority. He updated the Councillors that the winter Covid strategy was being discussed today at Westminster, more information to follow.

- d) The Police Report for August 2021 was **NOTED**

7. Financial Matters

It was RESOLVED TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS

- a) Bank Reconciliation – August 2021
The document was previously circulated, it was **RESOLVED TO ACCEPT**
- b) Earmarked reserves summary.
The document was previously circulated, it was **RESOLVED TO ACCEPT**
- c) Approval of Payments – August 2021
The document was previously circulated, it was **RESOLVED TO ACCEPT**

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- d) Approval of Receipts – August 2021
The document was previously circulated, it was
RESOLVED TO ACCEPT
- e) Detailed Income and Expenditure 1st April 2021 – 31st August 2021
The document was previously circulated, it was
RESOLVED TO ACCEPT

8. Broadland District Council Matters

- a) The current consultation for Broadland District Council Licensing Review was previously circulated to all Councillors. Cllr King as Chair of Licensing Committee at Broadland, gave a verbal update on the changes being put forward the main Key change is that it will look to include a formal test. Cllr Gurney said she was pleased with the changes that were being put forward including item 5. No further comments. Cllr King asked that if people wished they can respond directly.
- b) It was discussed at the Full Council meeting in July and a response was sent to the leader of Broadland and South Norfolk regarding the correspondence on the Broadland and South Norfolk Accommodation consultation.
The Parish Council discussed that what they feel was most relevant about the review is how we as a Council and how the parishioners are able to engage with Broadland and speak/meet with the relevant officers, especially with relation to planning and housing matters.
Cllr Gurney spoke with regards to the community bus which used to service the residents in the parish and that this is no longer running. Residents do expect some service provision, and the possibility of community hubs has been discussed at Broadland. There were no further comments or responses to be sent.

9. Armed Forces Covenant

- a) Information relating to the Armed Forces Covenant was previously circulated. This was discussed by and it was Proposed from Chair, seconded by Cllr Avenell to adopt the Covenant. It was
RESOLVED TO AGREE BY ALL
- b) It was discussed to appoint an Armed Forces Champion representative. Cllr Potter had shown interest in taking on this role, it was has proposed from the Chair, seconded by Cllr Bush-Trivett to appoint Cllr Potter. It was agreed by all and
RESOLVED TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM THE CHAIR

10. Norfolk County Council Consultation

The Transport for Norwich Strategy Consultation letter was previously circulated to all councillors. The information on the proposal was discussed and it was agreed for the Clerk to send a response on behalf of the council.

11. Events Working Group

The minutes from the recent Events meeting held on Tuesday 7th September 2021 were previously circulated and it was
RESOLVED TO NOTE THE MINUTES. IT WAS AGREED FOR THE DECISIONS MADE TO BE DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 16

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12. Planning

The minutes and decisions made from the Planning Committee meeting held on 10th August 2021 were previously circulated it was

RESOLVED TO NOTE THE MINUTES AND THE DECISIONS MADE

13. Playing Fields, Allotments and Amenities

a) Cllr King gave a verbal update to the Council from the Committee meeting held on 7th September 2021. The Committee had agreed to support the Tiny Forests Project being led by both the County and District Council and had allocated an area on the Recreation Ground near to the Wildlife area. The Committee had, in line with the allotment rules, agreed to increase the rental fees to £45 for the allotment year 2022/2023 given all allotment holders a year’s notice.

14. Property, Policy and Resources

A verbal update was given by Cllr Gurney Chair of PP&R Committee, regarding the re-roofing of the Community Centre. She informed the Council, following a meeting with the Project Leader and the Main Contractor there is a delay to re roofing of the Community Center, of Approx. 6 weeks, this delay is from issues relating to Covid including isolation of the on site workforce.

15. Community Centre Committee

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 9th August were previously circulated to all Councillors, at the Full Council meeting in July these were verbally given by Cllr Johnson. It was **RESOLVED FOR THE MINUTES TO BE NOTED**

16. To consider a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the press and public for the duration of the following items in view of the confidential and personal nature of the business to be transacted. If resolved, such items to be dealt after the item that confirms details of the next meeting. Proposed by Chair, Agreed by all.

Agenda items 17 and 18 to be discussed after agenda item 19.

19. Time and Venue of next Council meeting.

The next scheduled meeting of the Full Council will be on 12th October 2021 at 7pm in the Council Chambers.

The following items were discussed following the resolution passed in agenda item 16.

11. Events Working Group

17. Staffing Update

Cllr Gurney gave an update to the Council on the current staffing matters. We have a 2 staff currently off on sickness related matters. The Clerk will keep the Chair of the Staffing Committee updated.

18. Exchange of information only.

Vacancies on Committees and Working Groups will be added to the next agenda of the Full Council.

The meeting closed at 10:25

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