# **Norton Subcourse Parish Council**

# **Clerk: Christine Smith**

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## **MINUTES**

#### **of a Meeting of Norton Subcourse Parish Council**

#### **held at Norton Methodist Chapel**

#### **on Wednesday 20 September 2017**

**Present** – Cllrs Andrew Wright, Geoff Collen, Nigel White, Linda Edwards, Jim Rampling, Len Harper and Mike Hedley. Also present was Christine Smith (clerk), County Councillor Margaret Stone (until 8:15pm) and District Councillor William Kemp (until 8:35pm)

**37. Welcome** – the Chairman welcomed those present

**38. Apologies** – none

**39. Declarations of interest** – none

**40. Previous Minutes** – the minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday 19 July 2017 were circulated, APPROVED and signed.

**41. Planning Decisions** – none

**42.** **Planning Applications** – none received

**43. Planning Correspondence** – the following was considered:

a) Saffron Housing – affordable housing information – NOTED, no action required

*A change in agenda order was proposed and AGREED*

1. **District and County Councillors’ Reports** - County Councillor Margaret Stone reported that the Hales roundabout on the A146 will go ahead, with work due to start in the New Year. The roundabout planned for the junction of George Lane and the A146 in Loddon has been delayed, due to issues with a gas main being under the site, which should be sorted out next year. The County Council has agreed to the third river crossing in the Gorleston area. It had finally been agreed that the Long Stratton Bypass should go ahead: it would be formalized by planning committees in November. The Northern Distributor Road scheme continued to progress well. Norfolk County Council Children’s Services had received £12million to help improve services provided in the county by stopping problems at source. A new Norwich Eco Award had been established and nominations were invited. An ‘In Good Company’ award scheme had also been established. Councillor Stone added that all Councillors had been allocated a sum of money to help with schemes in their area, so any projects should be notified to the County Councillor via an application form by December 1st.

District Councillor William Kemp reported on the forthcoming review of the Broads Authority. A peer review, including South Norfolk Council, would be taking place and so District Councillor Kemp was keen to gather the views and opinions of parish councils in his area and felt it was important that the parish council’s views would be raised with the Broads Authority: the council offered their opinion on the Authority, which would be summarized by District Councillor Kemp and reported at the peer review. He added that the District Council was looking at working closer together with Broadland District Council in an effort to save money.

*The meeting returned to the agenda order*

1. **Finance** – the following items were considered:
   * + 1. Payment of the clerk’s salary for the 2nd quarter 2017/18 was NOTED
       2. Payment of the PAYE on item ‘a’ was NOTED
       3. Payment of the clerk’s expenses of £30 (Broadband provision for August and September 2017 at £15.00 per month) was APPROVED
       4. Payment of Audit Fee of £30 (£25 plus £5 VAT) to Mazars
       5. Confirmation of signing arrangements with Barclays Bank, resulting in signatories on the parish council accounts being Mr A Wright, Mr G Collen and Mrs L Edwards was NOTED
       6. The closure of the Loddon branch of Barclays Bank was NOTED: parish council accounts will be dealt with at all other branches of Barclays, the nearest being Beccles

**The adjournment for public participation was not required**

1. **Chairman’s Report** – Cllr Andrew Wright had nothing to report
2. **Parish Councillors’ Reports** – Cllr Geoffrey Collen reported that there was a bad pothole in New Road: the clerk would report it to the County Council.
3. **Correspondence** – correspondence was NOTED
4. **Next Meeting** – the next scheduled meeting would be held on Wednesday 15 November 2017
5. **Close** – the meeting closed at 9pm

Signed…………………………………

Date……………………………………