# **Norton Subcourse Parish Council**

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## **MINUTES**

#### **of a Meeting**

#### **of Norton Subcourse Parish Council**

#### **on Wednesday 17th November 2021 at 7:45pm**

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

**Present** – Cllrs Andrew Wright, Mike Hedley, Geoff Collen, Vic Jenkins and Nigel White. Also present were Christine Smith (clerk) and County Councillor Barry Stone (until 8pm), plus one member of the public (until 8:12pm)

1. **Welcome** – the Chairman welcomed those who were attending

**It was AGREED that there be a change in the order of the agenda**

1. **District and County Councillors Reports** - District Councillor Jeremy Rowe and County Councillor Barry Stone’s reports and updates had been circulated via email to all councillors.

Cllr Stone added that there was still time to make an application for free trees to be planted in the parish and stated that Norfolk County Council’s budget was still under consultation**.** Highways Rangers would soon be visiting local parishes to carry out minor repair work. He added that government funds would be available to part fund the installation of charging points in public areas for electric vehicles. Cllr Stone would also make enquiries as to the possible future loss of the ‘Our Bus’ service which visits Norton and other rural villages and would inform the clerk of his findings

**The meeting returned to the agenda order**

1. **Apologies** – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Len Harper. Cllr Damian Hagarty was absent
2. **Declarations of interest** – Cllr Andrew Wright declared non-pecuniary interests in the grant application from Norton Subcourse Baby and Toddler Group (finance item ‘c’) and CIL Projects
3. **Previous Minutes** – the minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday 15th September 2021 were circulated, APPROVED and signed.
4. **Planning Decisions** – none
5. **Planning Applications** – the council considered the following:
6. 2021/2219 – Mr Neil Russell, 1 Ivy Cottages, The Street, Norton Subcourse - proposed change of use of existing annexe accommodation for use as a holiday let – following discussion it was agreed to recommend APPROVAL
7. **Planning Correspondence** – none
8. **Finance** – the following items were considered:
9. Payment of the clerk’s salary for the third quarter 2021/22 was NOTED
10. Clerk’s expenses of £30.00 (Broadband provision for October and November 2021) was APPROVED
11. A grant of £100 was AGREED for the Norton Subcourse Baby and Toddler Group. It was also agreed that the Group be added to the list of organisations to be considered for annual grants from the council
12. It was NOTED that the Good Neighbour Scheme would continue to

operate and that the grant issued by the council in July 2021 would be used

1. The council’s budget to date was reviewed and AGREED
2. **Projects to be Funded by CIL Receipts** – the council considered possible future projects which could be funded by the Community Infrastructure Levy received by the parish council following development in the parish. It was suggested that an Enviropol post might be used to replace the post on the village sign. It was AGREED that quotes be obtained for supply and installation of an Enviropol post for the village sign to be considered at the next meeting

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

1. **Review of Start Time of Parish Council Meetings** – a discussion took place on whether the parish council meetings should start earlier than the current 7:45pm. It was raised that the earlier start may be more attractive to prospective councillors with young children. It was AGREED on a majority vote that the start time remain unchanged
2. **Chairman’s Report** – Cllr Andrew Wright reported that a recent high tide resulted in the River Yare overtopping at Reedham Ferry. More serious flooding could take place if winds and high tides coincided.
3. **Parish Councillors’ Reports** –no reports
4. **Correspondence** – correspondence was NOTED. An email regarding establishing a local committee to arrange celebrations for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee in June 2022 was considered. Cllr Vic Jenkins said that she would be interested in attending
5. **Next Meeting** – the next scheduled meeting would be held on Wednesday 19th January 2022
6. **Close** – the meeting closed at 9:20pm

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Date………………………………...