

# North Lopham Parish Council

Draft minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012,  
in the Methodist Schoolroom, North Lopham

1. **Attendance and Apologies:** Present were Val Garnham, Lesley Bird, Jan Tate, Mick McManus, Dawn Eagle, Heather Potter, Robert Carley and Mike Cox (Clerk). Also present Robert McCaw (SLPC) and three members of the public. At this point the Clerk took the chair, announcing the resignation of Dawn Eagle as Chair. A nomination was called for and Robert Carley was elected unanimously.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Minutes of last meeting 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2011:** Minutes of last meeting read, approved and signed.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - Sec 53 Countryside and Wildlife Act 1981 - Clerk pointed out that he had made an error at the previous meeting, current adoption of six specified routes should be finalised during early part of 2012 and not 2023 as previously stated.
  - Power lines - Clerk had spoken to Andrew Hilder ref this who can see no immediate problem although Mick McManus reported that there were issues on Harling Road.
  - Grit bins - one has been placed in King's Head Lane and used already. A second outside The Mess (adjacent to School), also a waste bin.
5. **Parish Newsletter:** See finance report.
6. **Finance report and accounts for payment:** Current A/C £362.88 (includes vat re-claim) Deposit A/C £2665.80
  - Hire of Methodist Schoolroom - £20.00
  - Parish Newsletter - £25.50. Approved for payment.
7. **Planning Applications:**
  - 3PL/2011/0770 /CA - 40 The Street - approved.
  - 3PL/2011/0769F - 40 The Street - approved.
  - 3PL/2011/1186/F - Octavia House - approved.
  - 3PL/2011/1096/F - 23 Kings Head Lane - approved.
  - 3PL/2011/1245/F - Ferndale House - approved.
  - 3PL/2011/1400/F - Fysons Farm - installation of wind turbines - pending.
  - 3PL/2011/1425/F - Meadow Farm; conversion of single storey building - pending.
8. **Footways, Footpaths and Roads:**
  - Road signs - Jan Tate reported on state of road signs and highway matters, including drains close to the village hall. Highways intend to pressure wash the problem drain.
9. **Community matters:**
  - Village car scheme - Jennie Vere provided documentation and gave a report on the Kenninghall scheme. The scheme had been funded by Breckland but Kenninghall have adapted their scheme and have no funding from BDC as the requirements made by them make the working prohibitive.
  - Jan Tate referred to the Jubilee celebrations on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2012 - she suggested placing a seat at the improved site of the village memorial; Jan would fund the seat and dedicate in memory of her late husband David. Clerk to contact John Bush re memorial site.
  - Heather Potter indicated that recent winds have left a large tree hanging precariously on Primrose Lane. Clerk to contact Highways or John Rednall.
10. **Correspondence:** Letter received from Victim Support Scheme requesting donation. Meeting elected to defer to next meeting when more funds would be available.
11. **South Lopham Parish Council:** Robert McCaw reported that Steve Reynolds has taken up position of Clerk for limited period.
12. **Items for next agenda:** Car Scheme and Memorial seat.
13. **Date and time of next meeting:** Weds 14<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 7.30pm in the Methodist Schoolroom.