

# North Lopham Parish Council

Draft minutes of meeting held at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2011**,  
in the Methodist Schoolroom, North Lopham

1. **Attendance and Apologies:** Present were Lindsey Westbrook-Lay (Chair), Val Garnham, Mick McManus, John Barwick, Heather Potter, Mike Cox (Clerk) and Robert McCaw (SLPC). Four members of the public also in attendance. Apologies William Nunn and Jan Tate.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Minutes of last meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> November 2010:** Minutes approved, proposed Mick McManus, seconded Val Garnham.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - Cemetery - The Clerk reported that repair of the Cemetery/Church wall was complete. Cost to the Parish Council £954.00. Paul Wright, builder, invoiced only for 6 days labour instead of 6 ½ days and did not charge for materials.
  - The Clerk had been notified of three interments at St Nicholas Church - Nellie Bush, Wilfred Emms and Terry Gooch.
5. **Financial Report and Accounts for Payment:** Current A/C £1709.39 Dep. A/C £2658.74
  - Hire of Methodist Schoolroom - £20
  - Repair of Cemetery/Church wall - £954.00
  - Clerk's fees - £252.80 *Accounts verified; proposed Mick McManus, seconded Heather Potter.*
6. **Planning Applications:**

3PL/2010/0954/F – Whitebread's Farm, High Common Rd - approved.  
3PL/2010/0955/F – Dairy Farm, Ling Road - approved.  
3PL/2010/1154/F – plot at Meadow Farm - pending.  
3PL/2011/0017/F - Grange Farm, erection of wind turbine - pending. Declaration of Interest declared by John Barwick.
7. **Footpaths, Footways and Roads:**
  - Barhale update - The Chair reported that she has notified Barhale of the problem with road sinkage etc after the recent sewerage installation. They have requested a site meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2011 and Chair and Mick McManus to meet with Andrew Pearce.
  - Church Road, North Lopham - drainage. Norfolk County Council had cleared the drain on border of North and South Lopham, but it had since blocked again. Clerk to contact.
  - Jan Tate had notified Highways of a hole in the road between NL sign and water tower.
  - Ongoing problem in Tanns Lane with a burst water main. Anglian Water have identified a leak under the road surface and hope to repair this soon. There is a possibility of a road closure which would delay matters. Clerk to monitor the situation.
8. **Community matters:**
  - Vandalism in village - in November/December there was a one night spate of vandalism in Tanns Lane, The Street and Church Road. The matter was reported to Police. Over the Christmas period a house sign for 'Pond House' was unscrewed and removed from front fence. This has also been reported to Police.
  - The meeting was asked to renew Walter Vernon's position on the Village Charities (4 years) - proposed Lindsey Westbrook-Lay, seconded Heather Potter.
9. **Correspondence:** The Clerk announced a request from Lopham Links who are currently looking at play facilities at the village hall. The group are at the stage of applying for planning permission having received quotes and have a bank account. No funds currently - a donation of £250 was requested; proposed Mick McManus, seconded John Barwick.
10. **South Lopham PC meeting report:** Robert McCaw reported on SLPC meeting held in November 2010.
11. **Items for next Agenda:** None.
12. Date and time of next meeting **Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup> 2011**