



# WALPOLE CROSS KEYS PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Nick Dyble

Clerk: Caroline Boyden

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## MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF WALPOLE CROSS KEYS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 20TH OF JULY 2022 FROM 7.00PM AT JEPHSON HALL

**PRESENT:** Cllr Nick Dyble (ND) Chair), Cllr T Roberts (TR), Cllr G. Coates (GC),  
Cllr G Roberts (GR), Cllr H Dobson (HD), Cllr R. Dyble (RD), Cllr R White (RW).  
Cllrs Squire and Kirk. Clerk.

Two members of the public were in attendance.

Open Session for Parishioners Questions – When will the 40mph on Market Lane be introduced – Cllr Kirk advised asap, just awaiting the signage to go up.

1. **WELCOME** – a formal welcome was given by the Chair, Cllr N Dyble.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
None

3. **COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – none**

4. **MINUTES**  
To approve the meeting minutes from the 21st of June 2022, proposed TR, seconded RD and unanimously accepted by all present.

5. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- a. Waste Disposal and Fly Tipping, Station Road North – ND has chased the Enforcement Team at Borough and they will follow up with the developer.
- b. Neighbourhood Plan(NP) review – Clerk advised that the application has been sent to Borough and to Locality for the funding.
- c. Owl Boxes – TR has made contact with Julian who will visit and make recommendations for locations.
- d. Railway Garden Renovations – ND advised that the sign has been restored and should be delivered within the next 2 weeks. Chris to be asked to look at the shrubs. ACTION ND/RD

6. **PLANNING MATTERS:**

- a. New applications:
  - 22/00994/F** – Proposed Farm Shed and change of use of land for the keeping of horses at Highfields – support proposed GR, seconded ND and all in favour.
  - 22/01067/F** – Proposed wildlife pond for stewardship scheme on land north of Old Farm, Market Lane – support proposed TR, seconded RD and all in favour.
- b. Decisions – None
- c. ND advised that the builder on the Bimbo's Ark site had gone through the drainage pipe and it had been filled in – ND to check and planning to be advised.

**7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

- a. June bank statements, payments, and bank reconciliation- acceptance proposed by TR, seconded by ND, and unanimously accepted. £42,208.55 as at the 30.6.22
- b. Payments for July - proposed for payment GR, seconded RD, and unanimously accepted.
- c. Review the Qtr. 1 Financial report. Due to the CIL money, we are in a good position, but it was stressed by GC that we need to keep within the precept going forward. Acceptance proposed by GC, seconded HD and all in favour.

**8. COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

**Cllr Kirk** advised that there were serious issues with the overgrown grass verges and had been advised that only one cut a year was now in place. However, few cuts had been made and the contractors had made a poor job with damaging signage. He was chasing Highways for an update. Suggested the PC consider additional SAM posts when the Market Lane speed limit is enforced. Not sure how the levelling up will be affected by a new PM and there was no hospital update.

**Cllr Squire** thanked the fire crews for their work yesterday dealing with multiple fires. A full council meeting has been held and 4 motions proposed by Cllr Squire had been passed including a tourist levy and long stay car parks to be opened to overnight stays by camper vans. The multiuser hub was going ahead at the former Argos site in King's Lynn and there were still concerns as to the future use of the Carnegie Building. The Oasis centre in Hunstanton is to be rebuilt. Beach cleans had taken place at 4 locations.

**Cllr Kunes** - No report

**9. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Giant Hogweed issues – RW advised that seeding had started, and he has reported the issue to the environmental health department. Land ownership to be advised.
- b. 50:50 partnership – white gates have been ordered. The next scheme is available now and the damaged bus shelter was mentioned but it was thought these could be repaired and ND to check with local metal worker re mesh ends. To consider white gates on Market Lane.
- c. The information sent out re Jubilee Orchards is to be passed onto Jeff via ND.

**10. SAM UPDATES** – ND advised that 1 unit was not working correctly with only 50% of the data downloadable. Will check and advise Westcotec as the battery is okay.

**11. CRIME & POLICE** –doorbell video footage as on Facebook.

**12. HIGHWAYS** – No action has taken place on the potholes and clerk to contact Jason Moore as the marking lines have been down for months now. ACTION CB

HD asked if signage could be added to Market Lane advising vehicles to beware of horses.

**13. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES** – Orchard and Owl Boxes as previously minuted. ACTION ND  
GR raised the current situation with the IDB and ND to contact Phillipa.

**14. GARDENS AND MAINTENANCE** – RD advised that the area has now been cut back by Chris and she had found a specialist roadside grass mix for wildflowers costing just over £20. Chris to also complete the clearance. It was agreed to go ahead and order this -proposed ND, seconded HD and all in favour.

**15. REPRESENTATIVES AND CLERK REPORTS**

GC reported that the Power Fund meeting had taken place with £13,656 and £196k in the accounts. £200 to the Flower Club and £2000 to the football club – both Sutton Bridge. The clerk reported that additional scribe training had been attended and will be reviewing all the policies and procedures in August for approval at the September meeting.

**16. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA:**

- Neighbourhood Plan update
- Owl boxes
- Bus Shelters repair
- Waste Disposal
- White Gates on Market Lane

**17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 from 7.00pm.**

The meeting closed at 20.34 pm