HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

MARCH 2015 MEETING

There were no members of the public present but Borough Councillor Elizabeth Watson reported that the new West Norfolk Tourist Information Guide had now been produced and was a considerable improvement on previous years. It is a free Guide and will be available at various outlets including Hunstanton Tourist Office. The Police Liaison Officer was not present, neither had a recent Police Safer Neighbourhood team (SNAP) report been received.

Information had been circulated concerning training for Councillors, the Evidence of Change Report from West Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Group, the latest news from the Marine Management Organisation, and the Committee System of Governance at Norfolk County Council. The most recent Agenda and Minutes for the Borough Council had had no items of immediate relevance to Holme-next-the-Sea.

Discussion of the Planning Application that had been submitted for the demolition of the existing dwelling and replacement with a new house in Kirkgate took place. This was a second application and there had been some changes but it was resolved to submit an objection on the grounds of size. This is generally of increasing concern although it has not been accepted as an objection in the past. The Borough Councillor agreed to call in the application for hearing by the Planning Committee. No concerns were raised regarding an application for the extension of a property in Westgate. Considerable concerns were raised regarding the lack of enforcement of conditions attached to the planning permission relating to a property in Kirkgate and it was agreed the Borough Council Implementation Team be informed of those concerns.

The submission period for nomination for the election of Parish Councillors to take place on the 7th May was confirmed as 9 am on 16th March to 4 pm on 9th April and Nomination Packs were available for those seeking re-election with details of the process. Information signs had been placed on the three Notice Boards used by the Parish Council.

A letter to the Planning Inspectorate indicating the Parish Council's concerns regarding Common rights at Holme Dunes was agreed and a copy would be sent to Mr. Kevin Hart at the Norfolk Wildlife Trust in Norwich.

It was agreed Tawn Landles, Surveyors of King's Lynn should be instructed to carry out a valuation of the Caravan Park in readiness for the rent review due in June. This firm has been used in the past.

Concerns were raised over the proposal that had been put forward by Norfolk County Council regarding charges at the Heacham and Docking Recycling Centres. It was understood that this suggestion had been withdrawn currently but it was agreed the Council should register its objection to this possible discrimination against rural communities in the future.

It had still not proved possible to obtain any further quotations for the proposed work at the Village Hall and other builders will now be contacted.

Under Finance, payments for the Clerk's salary and tax and maintenance work in Broadwater Road were agreed. Possible future charity donations were discussed.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 14th April 2015** at 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall Meeting Room. Members of the public are welcome to attend and put their comments and questions to Councillors during 'Public Participation'.

Christina Jones