

# Worlington Parish Council

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall from 7pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2015

**Councillors present:** Chairman – Cllr. K. Lardner (KL), Cllr N Foster (NF), Cllr. K. Lucas (KL), Cllr. P. Merrick (PM) and Cllr. R. Osborn (RO),

**Present:** Interim Clerk – Su Field

<b>Item</b>	<b>Meeting opened at 07.00pm</b>																								
	<b><u>Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):</u></b>																								
<b>15/16.013</b>	<b><u>Chairman’s Welcome &amp; Acceptance of Apologies for Absence (LGA 1972, Section 85(1) &amp; (2)):</u></b> Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 to consider the exclusion of the public and press for confidential items had taken place before the public meeting. <b>Apologies:</b> Vice Chairman - Cllr. G. Jones (GJ) Cllr B Harvey (BH) <b>Absent: None</b>																								
<b>15/16.014</b>	<b><u>Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:</u></b> None																								
<b>15/16.015</b>	<b><u>Finance &amp; Policies</u></b>																								
<b>15/16.015.1</b>	<b>To approve the Annual Accounts of the Parish Council for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 following the completion of the Internal Audit</b> The Clerk presented the audited accounts and completed Annual Return for the perusal of the Parish Council. The Clerk also reported the findings of the Internal Auditor in respect of the year’s accounts. The Internal Auditor stated that the previous Clerk had omitted to raise a cheque for one month’s salary which had caused a discrepancy of £168. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Accounts be approved and were duly signed by the Chairman. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk send a cheque to the former Clerk in the sum of £168 for one month’s salary which had not been raised previously.																								
<b>15/16.015.2</b>	<b>To approve the Annual Governance Statement</b> The Clerk presented the Annual Governance Statement for agreement by the Parish Council. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Annual Governance Statement be accepted as a true representation of the financial conduct of the Parish Council and were duly signed by the Chairman.																								
<b>15/16.015.3</b>	<b>Cheques for signing/approval and to authorise payment of outstanding invoices</b>																								
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### Play Area Equipment – Discussion

NF reported to the Parish Council following a review of the current sites. NF advised the Parish Council that, in his opinion, it would be wise to leave the “triangle” at All Saints at this present time due to the amount of work that would be required to bring this into use. It was **agreed** that this area would be included in future plans. The provision of goal posts was discussed. NF has conducted investigation as to costs and reported that moveable goal posts would cost £384 + VAT and static posts would cost £260 + VAT.

**Agreed** that it needs to be mobile.

**Agreed** to purchase just one at this time.

**Agreed** to order at beginning of September to coincide with end of cricket season. Comes complete with nets etc.

Further to the recent Parks Inspection report, the falling of the bark issue was looked into and it was agreed that there was “no quick fix”. It was **agreed** that this issue will be re-assessed later in the year. It is believed that because there is no membrane under the bark the composting of the bark is not being retarded, especially under the tree/in the shade. NF informed the meeting that The Triangle needs a lot of maintenance.

It was also noted that the roof of the slide is rotten. It was **agreed** that NF would attempt to repair this.

One of the seats (one of the cradle ones) is in need of being replaced £115+VAT – **agreed** to replace.

The sign also needs replacing. Impress can produce a sign for £45 + VAT. **Agreed** to replace.

Pigeon deterrent strips on top of the swings required. **Agreed** to purchase and install.

Metal gate at side of park – if the fence was moved to the front of the park that would possibly mean that the gate could be removed. To be discussed later in the year.

Suggestion that a tree is planted next to the seat near the village sign. Also suggested that one be planted near the seat where people watch the cricket (in the corner). These will be funded from the prize money from last year.

KL to contact Mr Lubbock concerning the planting around the entrances to the village and the list of plants.

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### AOB – Planning Application Consultation

DC/15/0995/HH Consultation. It was **agreed** that the Parish Council had no comments on the application. Clerk to complete the form and return to West Suffolk.

**Highways** – Red Lodge road – no cessation in speeding vehicles. RO has been in contact with County concerning the S106 monies and traffic calming measures.

SCC will be doing a further survey.

Suggestion that RO makes some “30 mph” “slow down” signs to be put in the verge on small stakes.

Suggestion that there should be a public meeting to discuss options when S106 monies received and the County have provided some suggestions.

Mr Boatman (The Lodge) – street light – RO will find the number and Clerk to contact Pearce & Kemp to get the light repaired.

A notice displayed in the Walnut Tree appears to be encouraging patrons of the pub to use the Village Hall car park. This was not something that the Parish Council had been

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approached about and was felt that this is not a situation that the Parish Council wish to encourage. This could cause problems for hirers of the Hall. It was **agreed** that NF and KL will ascertain who had placed this notice and ask that it be removed with immediate effect.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Signed: .....  
Chairman, Worlington Parish Council