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PARISH COUNCIL YEAR 2018 - 2019		
MINUTES OF THE MEETING - MONDAY 11th MARCH 2019		
PRESENT AT THE MEETING		
Councillors: N. Spencer (Chair), D. Lake (Vice Chair) P. Bacon, M. Blake, J. Church, G.P. Lamb, L. Turner. Broadland District Councillor: G. Nurden. 0 members of the public Tree Wardens: John Fleetwood, Andrea Rowlands. Parish Clerk: Stephen Williamson.		

The Meeting commenced at 7.45 pm

PUBLIC SECTION	
On behalf of Brian Iles (NCC) The Clerk informed that boundary changes meant that re-organisation would take place, with most NCC Councillors dealing with a slightly larger area. Four seats were likely to disappear. John Fleetwood reported that South Norfolk had indicated they wished to take over Broadland tree warden activities – Mr Fleetwood assured there was no way this could or would happen. Mr. Fleetwood was set to take over as regional organiser for East Anglia and he felt that independence was the only way forward. A recent meeting in London attended by ten regional tree wardens, had agreed that small areas were more beneficial. On the Junior Tree Wardens, Mr. Fleetwood informed that the feedback had been very positive. In short it seemed that county networks would continue but with sub divisions. Some £300 had been received in donations to date. Clerk to check that tree wardens covered under insurance. Planting boxes and the shed at the school had now been completed.	
1:	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
With all Councillors present, the only apology was that from Brian Iles - NCC	
2:	DECLARATIONS
There were no declarations additional to those registered with Broadland District Council	
3:	MINUTES
The Minutes of the meeting held on February 11 th had been prior circulated, no further amendments were deemed necessary. The Minutes were accepted as being a true & accurate record and duly signed.	
4:	MATTERS ARISING
There were none that would not be covered by other agenda items	
5:	PLANNING
There were no new applications. The Clerk reported that the only outstanding enforcement matters were still ongoing - Council informed during past two meetings.	
6:	VILLAGE MATTERS
Potholes in Sutton Crescent had largely been repaired although there was still work to do on two sites in the area of 21 & 23 Sutton Crescent	
7:	WICKHAMPTON SIGN

In response to enquiry and inspection Mr. James Mack who had previously made signs for Moulton and Beighton had estimated a cost of some £3/4,000 to replace the Wickhampton sign. General feeling was that this obviously far exceeded the budget of £1,000 - £1,500 decided earlier in the year. This project to be further discussed at a future date.

8: SUTTON CRESCENT/FOOTWAY LIGHTING

Council were informed that Broadland would be turning off the lighting from Monday April 1st with columns subsequently to be removed. This action absolved the Parish Council of duties to this and also meant that no additional Council Tax levy would be applied from April. Council were adamant that the Parish Council did NOT wish to become the lighting authority for this or future development.

9: ELECTION 2019

Councillors were informed of the date process for re-election.

10: FINANCIAL MATTERS & PAYMENTS

The Clerk mentioned that about £62 needs to be deducted from balance – the cheque book has not been returned from February so cheques to the Clerk and tree wardens had yet to be paid in to respective bank accounts. The cheque below to Playdale would be retained until Village Hall confirm work done to specification and until Section 106 monies received.

Payee & Reason	Amount
<i>S.A. Williamson – period to 18 April 2019 – Standing Order due 18th March - Salary - £165.08 Plus Expenses/Allowance £30.81</i>	£195.89
<i>Calica Computer Solutions – April payment – Standing Order due 15th March</i>	£12.00
<i>S.A. Williamson – End Of Year stationery</i>	£16.59
<i>Playdale Playgrounds – Second & Final half of play area refurb</i>	£9,266.23
TOTAL	£9,490.71

BANK BALANCES AT STATEMENT(S) (CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON 2 MARCH 2019)

MAIN CURRENT ACCOUNT	£4,949.73	BUSINESS RESERVE A/C	£10,098.74
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11: CLERK INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk informed of Brian Iles change of contact details, also the new library times changes. A local priority meeting for the local police was on 18th April at 7.00 p.m. The police report had been circulated as had dates for Council meetings in 2019-20. Basically no change to previous arrangements – third Monday in each month to be utilised except in July & December (no meetings planned) and February 2020 when the second Monday would be the date set.

12: COUNCILLORS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA

No other matters were raised

The Meeting closed at 8.27 pm

Signed after agreed amendment and approval by Council as being a true and accurate record by the Chair of the meeting or authorised deputy



Dated:

20/5/19