MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 8th APRIL 2015, AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, NAYLAND.

Present: Mrs George (Chairman), M Pescott Frost, G Battye, Mrs Fuller, G Walker, Mrs Knox, I Harris, Mrs Hattrell (Clerk), J Finch (County Councillor) and 1 member of the public.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. Public Forum

Nothing was raised.

b. <u>District Council Report</u>

District Councillor Richard Cave was unable to attend and confirmed he will report to the Annual Parish Assembly.

c. County Council Report

County Councillor James Finch attended and his report is attached to the Minutes. J Finch had chased the Street Light upgrades which should be completed very shortly. Members agreed to monitor. J Finch is pursuing speed issues on the A134 in Nayland. He will investigate the reason for cameras that have appeared recently.

d. Police Report

PCSO Mandy Coleman sent her apologies and had confirmed there were no reported crimes since our last meeting.

Parish Council Meeting

1. Apologies

Were received from W Hitchcock.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2015 was proposed by G Battye, seconded by Mrs Fuller and carried with 1 abstention due to absence at the meeting concerned.

3. Declaration of Interest by Councillors

Nothing was declared.

4. Finance Report

The Clerk read from the bank balances as at 5th March 2015 as £1000 in the Current Account, £30901.16 in the linked Account and £11952.62 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £43858.78.

5. Accounts for Payment

Chris Mortimer Grounds Maintenance (Litter/grass/allotments)	722.40
Employment Costs totalled	1106.78
SALC (Subscription)	403.00
Navland Village Hall (Hall Hire)	20.00

The payment to Chris Mortimer included the element relating to widening access at the allotments which was held back last month until the work was approved by the Parish Council. The Street Lighting power and maintenance has not been paid as a credit is awaited for the power savings this Council would have achieved had the work proceeded on time.

6. Planning

1. Decisions from the Planning Authority:-

a) Permission had been granted for the upper 2m section of lattice mast, to replace 2 antennas with 3 and replace 1 cabinet at Hilltop Farm, Harpers Hill - **B/14/01039/FUL/JP**.

b) Permission had been granted for a single storey side extension in between house and garage at 30 Newlands Lane - B/15/00074/FHA/AT.

7. Highways

Between meetings members had reviewed the signage in the village and all agreed that some signage should be considered for removal. This includes the road narrow signs near the war memorial just past the White Hart. This does not seem necessary and affects the appearance of the grade I listed wall and memorial seat. Members would also like to seek views from County Highways on the necessity to have a 30 mph sign at Anchor bridge in such close proximity to the advisory 20 mph – **Action Clerk to report to County Highways.**

8. Recreation and Open Spaces

A report had been received of concrete dumped on the nature reserve. It was agreed to report to the District Council in the first instance – **Action Clerk**. The Chairman explained the verbal request for a bench seat on the top of Gravel Hill. Members were happy for matters to proceed with the identification of a potential location for approval by County Highways. The Chairman will progress further and once a suitable location is found will provide details to the Clerk for the enquiry to County Highways – **Action Chairman and Clerk**. It was noted that an enquiry was made to the District Council on whether the entrance to the footpath at the end of the Recreation Ground and next to the Burial Ground would be a suitable location to empty a dog bin. It was agreed for the Clerk to keep the resident informed of progress – **Action Clerk**. A further request has been made for a feed/drink station to be set up in the village to support the ultra marathon in the summer. M Pescott Frost agreed to forward details to members to review the request. This has been held for a couple of years without incident.

9. Street Lighting

It was reported that unit 84 on Bear Street opposite Parkers Way was not going out at night. It was agreed for the Clerk to report – **Action Clerk**. The progress report from the County Councillor in relation to our upgrade work was formally noted and it was agreed to check the work is completed as agreed – **Action All**. It was noted that payment of the power and maintenance costs is being withheld currently until the County Council credit power savings.

10. Footpaths

The Footpath Warden, Sally Bartrum, continues to chase for a resolution to the damaged bridges. The Chairman provided details of the Tendring Hall Management to an enquirer regarding a lock.

11. Allotments

The Annual Meeting with the Allotment Holders and the Parish Council was scheduled for 15th April in the Committee Room of the Village Hall. Mrs Knox advised she would not be standing for the Election, however, was happy to show the Allotment judge around again this year.

12. Village Hall

The drains have been cleared and will need to be monitored after heavy rainfall. Discussion with Transition Nayland regarding a new boiler for the Village Hall is on-going and needs to go to Committee. It was noted that a new representative from the Parish Council would need to be appointed to attend the Village Hall Committee Meetings. A gardening session at the Village Hall was scheduled for the coming Saturday. This coincided with the Farmers Market, so some concerns were expressed regarding access.

13. <u>Community Council</u>

The Chairman confirmed that she attended the Babergh Community Achievement Awards Evening where very deserving recipients from the village were recognised.

14. Correspondence

The correspondence report was provided to members ahead of the meeting. The circulation envelope was started. A request for a shed had been approved at the Allotments and all Allotment Holders had been invited to the Annual Meeting with Allotment Holders.

15. Annual Parish Assembly

The Parish Assembly will take place on 27th April in the Village Hall. Inspector Danny Cooper will represent the Police. Simon Amstutz, the guest speaker will start. Mrs Fuller and Mrs Knox agreed to organise the refreshments – **Action Mrs Fuller and Mrs Knox**. The Chairman agreed to organise the Agenda and her report a week before just in case she is called away on a pending family matter – **Action Chairman**.

16. Burial Ground

The Chairman agreed to include the review of the Burial fees at the first meeting of the new Council – **Action Agenda item.**

Before closing the Chairman thanked all members for all their support during the last term.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.