BINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes 2014/01

Parish Council Meeting held Monday 20 January 2014 at 1930 at the Memorial Hall

Those Present: David Frost (Chairman), Amanda Able, Liz Brown, William Wales & Tim Walduck Keith Leesmith (Clerk), Jonathan Savory (NNDC), PC Jason Pegden & 12 members of the public. Visitors: Tom Fitzpatrick – leader of NNDC, Steve Blatch – corporate director of NNDC

1) **Apologies Received:** Mike Chapman, Marie Strong (NCC), Peter Terrington (NNDC) Roger Winkley (set off for the meeting but had accident on route)

2) **Declarations of interest:** None

3) **Minutes:** Approved and signed for the meeting of 18 November 2013

4a) **Norfolk County Council report**

Marie Strong was at a long meeting at County Hall. She sent a report which was circulated to Councillors and read at the meeting. This contained the following subjects: NCC Budget; not yet fixed. Broadband; meeting at Binham Memorial Hall 27th January 7.00pm –should learn dates and future speeds. Mobile Phone Reception; proved unsatisfactory during recent flood emergency. Flood Insurance; existing arrangement between insurance companies and government to continue until a new scheme is concluded. Blakeney Marsh "no go zone"; still no definitive written statement to confirm verbal retraction – Norman Lamb trying to obtain this.

4b) **North Norfolk District Council report**

(Jonathan Savory) The Cromer NNDC office now has a new reception area which has been well received by staff and visitors. The cost of this should be recovered in savings within two years. Norfolk County Council (Northern Children's Services) are about to move into part of the office, for which they will pay a commercial rent which will return around £70,000 over the next ten years.
Peter Terrington had also sent a report which was circulated to Councillors and is appended to these minutes

4c) **Safer Neighbourhood Team report**

There had been one recorded crime since the last meeting – a case of common assault that had now been dealt with. During the same period there had been four calls to police; all for road traffic matters. JP mentioned the item to be discussed later concerning speeding on the Hindringham Road. He believes that the road layout (long and straight) makes it easy to drive at excessive speed there.

4d) **Parish Clerk's report**

A new copy of the road gritting leaflet is now being circulated. It does not appear to show any local changes, and does not include the road to Warham which has been requested for inclusion several times. Norfolk Green, including *The Coasthopper* has been sold to Stagecoach Holdings. The timetable for the coming summer will not be affected. A meeting has been arranged at Blakeney Village Hall at 7.00pm on Thursday 30th January to discuss the sale of Victory Housing stock. Norman Lamb will be in attendance – all welcome. >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>