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**Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council 25 May 2016**

**Present**: Mrs M Bennett, Mrs C Gamble, Mr D Ames, & Mr C. Pestell & Mrs V Hynes

Mr R Price District Councillor

Apologies: Mrs A Bradnock County Councillor, Mrs Boardman Police Liaison, Mrs L Williams & Mr J Deane

**Minutes of March 2016 Parish Council meeting**: These were proposed correct and complete Mr D Ames and seconded by Mr C. Pestell.

**Matters Arising**

Highways are working to resolve the flooding in conjunction with J Deane and the drains have been cleaned.

**Correspondence**

Police report for the period: 30/03/16 - 22/05/16 there were 2 crimes recorded for the parish.
1 x Criminal Damage to a dwelling which has been detected & the offender dealt with
1 x Attempt theft, this is still to be confirmed as a theft.

East Anglian Devolution Consultation is taking place 4/7/16 – 22/8/16.
**Finance**

The Clerk updated on the annual audit return and accounts. These were discussed and agreed proposed Mrs V Hynes and seconded Mrs C Gamble.

Village Hall rent 81 proposed Mr D Ames and seconded Mrs C Gamble.

**Planning**

PF/16/0239 and 0238 change of use to residential approved.

**AOB**

Highways - various signs blown down and still need removing; Sydney Street into Calthorpe Street access difficult; slow signs in Mill Road have been successful.

Complaint raised about dogs off leads, uncontrolled and mess not being cleared up. It was agreed an article would be put in the newsletter based on the information from the NNDC website and that the District Councillor would raise with the dog wardens.

Mole traps around the pond were discussed and the Councillors were advised that moles were classed as vermin and could therefore be trapped and that the traps would not be dangerous to others.

Mr R Price District Councillor updated on progress on devolution. The Government is pressing for an elected Mayor powers of which are not clear and is not favoured by the Councils. It is likely if it goes ahead that the role of the Counties and Districts will be reduced.

Boundary Commission currently reviewing the area, changes mainly relate to the towns and take into account the changing role of Councillors.

New Coastal team is being developed with Waveney and Suffolk Coastal, so that the whole area is considered together.

The Norfolk Licensing Chairs are meeting to try and ensure there are consistent ruled for he area.

**No Public** Meeting closed 7.25

Date of Next Meeting 27 July 2016

Chair ----------------------------------------- Date----------------------------------------------------