MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE WENN EVANS CENTRE ON MONDAY 29^H September 08 AT 7.30 P.M.

1. Attendance

Lee Walker, Jane Archer, Thomas Love, David Mole, Cubitt Siely, Glenn Berry, Peter Gore, David Pugh, Stuart Wyatt.

Apologies

Clive Stockton

Carol Palfrey, Vic Gardner, Paul Morse, Nicky Wyatt (minute taker) Ester Dack PCSO Norfolk constabulary.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

3. Declaration of Interest

Thomas Love - Walcott Parish Council

David Pugh - Allotments Lee Walker - Planning

4. Matters Arising

Deferred to next meeting due to precept section of meeting.

4.1 Parish Split

Tax Base Happisburgh 57.3% Walcott 42.7%

It was agreed at the meeting that following the tabling of the figures provided by NNDC by Cllr Archer re the financial apportionment to Walcott. It was proposed by Cllr Walker to accept the figures subject to Walcott parish council's agreement. Cllr Mole seconded this and the vote was unanimous.

4.2 Precept

Due to the loss of revenue from Walcott and the councils outgoings expected to remain unchanged despite the parish split, it was suggested the precept for the next financial year be increased by 50%. This council has not had an increase for over 5 years. It was proposed by Cllr Mole that the increase should be 50% this making a band D properties precept around £15 per year. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Berry and the vote was unanimous. It was agreed to publish that requests for precept grants be submitted in time for the next PC meeting on 24/11/2008.

4.4. Correspondence for distribution.

Minutes of the Happisburgh Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th August 08

Information Commissioners Office- letter re adopting the new publication schedule model. This is to be adopted by 01/01 2009. There is no requirement to inform the ICO as to the new model being adopted. It was agreed the current model is in keeping with the new requirements and this was to be adopted.

Consultation document from Hanson Aggregates Marine Ltd-Application to continuation of dredging licence. Cllr Walker will complete and return questionnaire via fax on 30/9/08.

5. Finance Report

This was tabled by the rfo Cllr Archer. Cllr Archer informed meeting that we are still awaiting the return of our annual audit.

6. **Planning**

3 planning applications; RNLI ramp at Cart Gap-No objection Extension to the Spinney, Blacksmiths Lane – No objection. Extension to 34, Coronation Close-No Objection.

10 **Any Other Business**

Cllr Pugh has produced a draft tenancy agreement for allotoment holders, this was distributed for councillor to consider and discuss at the next meeting. He stated that the current rent of £5 per year for the allotments was very low and would the council consider an increase. It was proposed by Cllr Gore that the rent be increased to £10 per year, this was seconded by Cllr Seilly the vote was unanimous.

Cllr Berry discussed the criminal damage as the sports pavilion, he mentioned the meter box and electrics had been vandalised. The excess on the insurance is £250. He is getting two quotes as directed by the insurance company. It was agreed to make a temporary repair to the box to make the area safe, the electric cables have already been made safe but will need repairing soon. As a result of the two incidents of damage the Crime prevention officer was requested and duly attended. His report was read out to the council and it was agreed to consider some of his advice ie lighting and other security measures. Cllr Walker will contact the SNT to consider putting this issue forward as a KINS target.

Cllr Berry has received complaints re a member of the RNLI at Cart Gap speeding along the single-track road near to the station. Cllr Seilly will investigate this matter in his role as RNLI trainer.

Meeting was closed at 20.45hrs.

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday 24th November 2008