



## Melton Parish Council

**Minutes** of the meeting of Melton Parish Council held on Wednesday 11 March 2015 commencing at 19:00 in the Lindos Centre, Melton IP12 1PP.

**Present:**

Cllr Mr A H Porter [Chairman] Cllr Mr J E Bale Cllr Miss E A Barrington Cllr Mr G K Butterwick Cllr Mr A G Corston Cllr Mrs J E Eckersley	Cllr Mrs E J G Hilson Cllr Mr M J Kennedy Cllr Miss K S Martin Cllr Mr C W Taylor Cllr Mr A Thompson
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**Absent:**

Cllr Mrs B K Abbott Cllr M W Sherwen Cllr Mr M L Webb	Cllr Mr J West Mrs E Ashford (Co-optee)
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**In Attendance:**

Mr W J Grosvenor <b>Clerk to Melton Parish Council</b>	4 Members of the Public
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	<b>PART ONE – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC</b>
<b>15.24</b>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ABSENCE</b></p> <p>The apologies for absence from Cllr Abbott, Cllr Sherwen, Cllr Webb, Cllr West and Recreation Committee Co-optee Mrs Ashford were received and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to consent to the absences.</p> <p>Apologies for absence were also offered by District Councillors Bidwell and Bond and PC Karen Clabburn and PCSO Marie Smith.</p> <p><b>Proposed by:</b> Cllr Martin    <b>Seconded by:</b> Cllr Porter</p>
<b>15.25</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>

15.25.01	<p><b>To receive Amendments to the Register</b> There were no amendments to the Register.</p>
15.25.02	<p><b>To receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest in Respect of Items on the Agenda</b> There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest in respect of Items on the Agenda.</p>
15.25.03	<p><b>To Receive Declarations of Non Pecuniary Interest in Respect of Items on the Agenda</b> There were no declarations of Non-Pecuniary Interest in respect of Items on the Agenda.</p>
15.25.04	<p><b>To Consider Full / Partial Dispensations for Pecuniary Interests Declared</b> It was noted that there had been no requests for dispensation for pecuniary interests declared.</p>
	<p><i>It was RESOLVED to lift Standing Orders</i></p>
15.26	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION</b></p>
15.26.01	<p><b>To receive the Safer Neighbourhood Team Report</b> Paper MPC(15)26.01 previously distributed was received and noted. Councillors felt that the criticism expressed in the report at having to produce detailed bi-monthly reports for the Parish Council was misplaced and that the Council needs up to date information on the pattern and incidents of crime in the parish. If PC Clabburn considers there is a better way of achieving that than the current reporting arrangements, she should attend and discuss with Councillors. The Clerk to send a diplomatically worded letter to the police.</p>
15.26.02	<p><b>To receive the County / District Councillor's Report for January and February 2015</b> In view of the absence of both Cllr Bidwell and Cllr Bond, there was nothing to report.</p>
15.26.03	<p><b>To receive Village Matters raised by Members of the Public or Councillors</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) There was a plea that minutes of all Council meetings and Committees be placed on the Website as soon as possible following the meeting. The Clerk promised to upload them as soon as they were available.</li> <li>(2) Continuing concern was raised at the alleged encroachment by adjoining landowners onto the burying ground off Jews Lane. Councillors supported the concerns but there were higher priorities in the Clerk's workload and resources were limited. Following discussion it was <b>AGREED</b> that the Clerk would obtain information on title and title plans of neighbouring landowners from the Land Registry to ascertain the legal position in relation to boundaries.</li> <li>(3) Concern was expressed by Cllr Taylor about growing traffic and parking problems in Station Road, which has got worse as a result of the start of construction on the Riduna development. Cllr Butterwick responded that he is trying to set up a meeting with Suffolk Coastal DC and the relevant landowners.</li> <li>(4) Parking in Melton Road continued to cause concern; the cause was primarily ascribed to construction workers employed on the Deben</li> </ol>







	Cllr Thompson reminded Council that the new Council will need to nominate a new Trustee.
<b>15.37.05</b>	<b>Melton Messenger</b> Reported that Revd Hatchett is still supporting this.
<b>15.37.06</b>	<b>Melton Primary School</b> Cllr Martin reported that the Friends of the School were meeting that night to develop plans for a cycle shed and to promote cycling.
<b>15.37.07</b>	<b>Sizewell C and EDF Community Forum</b> Cllr Porter reported on a leaflet being circulated referring to expanding the risk area around the plant to 15km. That would bring the area covered to the edge of Melton. Cllr Butterwick stated that consultation on Sizewell C was to have been started last year but is still in abeyance.
<b>15.37.08</b>	<b>Suffolk Association of Local Councils</b> Cllr Butterwick reported that the next Area Meeting will be on 16 March at the Riverside Centre, Stratford St Andrew. The guest speaker is the Cabinet Member for Highways at SCC.
<b>15.38</b>	<b>TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE MELTON MESSENGER</b> The Chairman reminded Members that any items for inclusion should be forwarded to either Cllr Martin or himself.
<b>15.39</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marion Davis bench – agreed after discussion that in view of the administrative difficulties of siting anything now on the river wall, the bench will be located on the Council's own playing field. Clerk to arrange.</li> <li>• The Clerk reported an invitation from Suffolk Coastal Norse to participate in the national "Community Clear Up Day" on 21 March. This was <b>NOTED</b>.</li> </ul>
	<b>PART TWO - CONFIDENTIAL</b>
<b>15.40</b>	<b>EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL ITEM</b>  <b>It was RESOLVED that</b> , under Section 100(a)(4) Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.
<b>15.41</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS</b>  The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 29 April 2015 commencing at 19:00. The Council's AGM or commissioning meeting will take place on 13 May 2015 commencing at 19:00.  Venues to be arranged.  There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:05.

