

**Minutes of the Extra-ordinary Meeting of
Woodwalton Parish Council
held on 14th May 2015, 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs Peck (Chairman), Hyder-Smith (Vice-Chairman), Gilbert, Rodford, Pinder and the Clerk Members of the public: 2 C Cllr: Tew		
Before the meeting began, a member of the public stated that she intended to record the meeting.		
1	Current Chairman's welcome	The Chairman advised the room that the meeting was being recorded by a member of the public. The Chairman also welcomed Cllr Pinder onto the Parish Council.
2	To elect the Chairman of the Council and to receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office	Cllr Peck was, unanimously, voted in and accepted the position of Chairman. The Clerk received her formal acceptance.
3	To elect the Vice-Chairman of the council and to receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office	Cllr Hyder-Smith was, unanimously, voted in and accepted the position of Vice-Chairman. The Clerk received his formal acceptance.
4	To receive apologies and reasons for absence	None.
5	Members Declarations of Pecuniary Interest relating to matters on the agenda	None. Cllr Pinder was provided the relevant paperwork which he was requested to return to Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC).
6	Public and press participation session with respect to items on the agenda	A member of the public addressed the PC regarding agenda item, 9. They also requested a public apology following the wording of the minutes (25 th March 2015, item 20 and 9 th April 2015, item 5) because they felt that the name of their house should not have been mentioned nor should there be any question over whether they own the verge outside of their house. They also did not like to be referred to as 'the vendor'. The Chairman apologised for any offence or upset that the wording of the minutes may have caused and assured the member of the public that there had been no deliberate wasting of time to find a resolution to this matter. The Clerk advised the member of the public that establishing ownership of the verge was in an attempt to consider where to reposition the street light outside of the Hove House boundary.
7	To sign and approve minutes dated 25 th March and 9 th April 2015	Following the comments from the member of the public, the Clerk read aloud the sections of each set of minutes, relating to the street light outside Hove House. The PC, unanimously, agreed these to be a true reflection of the meetings. The Chairman signed and dated each page.
8	Matters arising from the minutes (information only)	Minutes of 25 th March 2015, item 20 was now not resolved and was still being discussed.
9	To review and note the status of the Parish Council's remit regarding a request to remove the	The Clerk read aloud the advice that she had received from Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CAPALC), "The parish may be responsible for

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	street light and pole, outside Hove House	running costs and maintenance but has no authority to move the pole or interfere with the electricity supply. Neither has the resident”.
	The meeting was suspended to allow a member of the public to speak	The member of the public advised that the pole belonged to UK Network Power.
	Meeting resumed	Cllr Peck offered to contact the contractors that had originally supplied a quotation to disconnect and reposition the street light, requesting a new quotation for a disconnection only.
	The meeting was suspended to allow a member of the public to speak	The member of the public advised the PC that she would consider allowing the PC to disconnect the light, leaving the cable underneath the Hove House verge if the PC were able to come up with a satisfactory solution to the removal of the street light within a suitable timeframe.
	Meeting resumed.	To be discussed at the 27 th May agenda.
	At this point one of the members of the public left the meeting	
10	To note the status of trees in New Road, reported to the County Council	The Clerk reported that Les Middleton, CCC Highways, had replied to her stating the strip of land where the trees grow does not appear to be owned by anyone. She added that he had offered to get a quotation to make the offending trees safe. Cllr Hyder-Smith to make enquiries locally and to report back.
11	Date of next meeting	27 th May 2015, 7.30pm Annual Parish Meeting, 7pm
	The meeting ended at 9.30pm	

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