



For the 2<sup>nd</sup> year running, no pay increase had been recommended by the NJC, and after debate, it was agreed not to increase the Clerk's salary this year, and to retain the current conditions of service. However, travel costs, currently being paid at 40p/mile, were increased to 45p/mile, back-dated to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011, proposed Cllr Fawcett, seconded Cllr Robinson, all in favour.

- b) Consideration of pay and conditions of service of the Pavilion Caretakers - after debate, it was agreed not to offer an increase in pay and to maintain the current conditions of service, proposed Cllr Robinson, seconded Cllr Mrs Service, all in favour.

**9 Appointment of Groups and Representatives** - The Chairman had prepared a proposed list, for Cllrs consideration, which was approved with all in favour. A copy of the list is available for inspection at the Parish Council Office

**10 Consideration of matters for referral to Police Tasking Meeting** - It was agreed that there were no matters for referral to this meeting.

**11 Business Remaining from Previous Meetings -**

- a) Thurston under Fives - No further progress had been reported to the Council  
 b) Provision of allotments - the Clerk reported nothing had been heard at this time ref the proposal to hand over land in Oakey Field Road from MSDC to the PC for this purpose.  
 c) Proposed closure of library - Cllr Dashper reported that an Expression of Interest had been duly submitted to SCC, with the following three proposals for the CC consideration.
- 1 To work with the College to take forward the running of the library, ie management of staff
  - 2 To consider asking the CC to continue to run the library, with funding from the PC.
  - 3 To consider forming a partnership with other local authorities with libraries on school sites.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> public meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> April had been well-attended. The PC library group were to meet 12<sup>th</sup> May 2011 to review the structure of the group and to follow-up on the public meeting, and the County Council was expected to make its decisions at its Cabinet meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Cllr Fawcett thanked Cllr Dashper for all his hard work on this project, with appreciation of his expertise and guidance.

**12 Chairman's Communications -**

- a) The Chairman advised Cllrs of problems with the Office computer, which after investigation by the Council's Computer Maintenance Engineer had proved to be terminal. A makeshift loan computer had been arranged, but it would be necessary to purchase a new computer of the Council. After consideration it was agreed to instruct the Engineer to specify a suitable laptop computer for the Council's consideration, to include MS Office 2010 and MS Publisher. Three quotes would therefore be sought to comply with Council's Financial Regulations.

**13 Questions from Councillors previously submitted-** There were none

**14 Reports from Committees and Groups**

a PLANNING -

i Planning Applications received -

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
0996/11	1 det dwelling, land adj Apple Tree Cottage, Gt Green	SUPPORT
1241/11	Remove overhanging branches of oak tree, Ash cottage, Pokeridge Gdns	SUPPORT
1083/11	4 det bungalows etc., 84 Barton Road	OBJECT
1148/11	1 storey ext., 10 Meadow Lane	OBJECT

All of these were approved for submission to MSDC unanimously, Prop Cllr Mrs Harvey, seconded Cllr Dashper.

ii Planning Decisions received -

0409/11	1.5 storey rear e4xt., etc, The Rowans, 80 Barton Road	GRANTED
0675/11	1 storey rear exts., & front porch, 30 Heather Close	GRANTED
3108/10	Dormer window, Barn Lodge, School Road	GRANTED
0634/11	Rear ext., Bella Vista House, Church Hill, Pakenham	GRANTED
0762/11	1 storey det granny annex, 21 Barton Road	GRANTED
0950/11	Front porch, The Poppies, 13 Heath Road	GRANTED

- b RECREATION GROUND – Nothing to report.
- c COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS –
  - i) The Chairman had attended the ATC dinner at Beyton Middle School
  - ii) Cllr Dashper had attended 3 meetings of the Library group
  - iii) Cllr Weeks had attended meetings of the Library group and the Planning Group
  - iv) Cllr Robinson had attended meetings of the Library Group, the Planning Group and the Youth Club and confirmed that the new management of the Victoria Public House had agreed to re-instate 2 hours on Monday evenings to be set aside for The Club.
  - v) Cllr Fawcett had attended meetings of the Library group
- d VILLAGE REPORTS –
  - i) Cllr Mrs Service reported speeding issues along Norton Road
  - ii) Cllr Mrs service reported a great many posters from various organisations all around the Village.
- e QUALITY COUNCIL STATUS – The Chairman called a meeting of this Group to be Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm.

## 11 Reports from Officers of the Council

- a CLERK’S REPORT –
  - 1 Information had been received from MSDC ref an application from the Bowls Club to use funds from developer contributions (\$106) to provide new equipment and a new shed and pavilion. Council agreed to support this application.
  - 2 SCC had advised that the Cabinet had agreed to delay the closure of six of the seven Household Waste Recycling Centres that were due to close on the 9<sup>th</sup> May, until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2011.
  - 3 A letter had been received from the Chief Executive of MSDC, Andrew Good, announcing his retirement, and advising his successor would be Charlie Adan.
  - 4 Stationery had been ordered
  - 5 The electricity meters at the Pavilion had been submitted to the supplier
  - 6 The Suffolk Show would be held 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2011 at Trinity Park, Ipswich
  - 7 SCC proposed to reduce the length of time that streetlights would be in use, in some cases to be turned off between midnight and 5.30am and in other cases to dim them between these hours. Details were available on request. **Clerk to request.**

## 12 Resolutions or Recommendation already received – There were none

## 13 Finance

- a) Accounts Awaiting Payment :-

COMPANY	COST	VAT	TOTAL
Mrs K Savage, Clerk’s Salary			746.84
Mrs K Savage, Clerk’s Expenses - Travel expenses			28.40
Ray Austin, Handyman contract			340.90
R & C Sadler, (Rec Grd a/c) Caretakers Salary			107.25
PC Medic, Computer Maintenance Contract		20.00	
“ “ Work to Council computer		<u>130.00</u>	150.00
Cavendish Hall, hire ref APM			25.00
Pretty’s solicitors, interim payment ref lease for TUF’s	382.00	76.40	458.40
Suffolk Constabulary, match-fund PCSO (half payment)			7,182.00
Drecroft Printers, Handouts ref Library Meeting			58.00

On the proposal of Cllr Weeks, seconded Cllr Mrs Service, these accounts were approved for payment, all in favour

- b) Accounts already paid –
 

Plusnet, Broadband & Telephone	26.73	5.35	32.08
New Green Comm Trust	213.00	42.60	255.60
Royal Mail on-line, Postage (Chargecard)			3.24
- c) Receipts –
 

MSDC, 1 <sup>st</sup> half precept	26,500.00
MSDC, S106 ref Dog Litter bag dispensers	695.00

