Minutes of the Drayton Annual Parish Meeting held at Drayton Junior School. School Road, Drayton on Thursday 25th April 2018 at 6.30pm

NB These minutes will be formally approved at the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting

Present: Mr Graham Everett Chairman of the Parish Council 14 residents of Drayton.

In attendance: Jonathan Hall Parish Clerk acting as minute taker.

1. Welcome from the Chairman of Drayton Parish Council

1.1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 4th May 2017

2.1. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

3. Reports from schools, groups and organisations.

Verbals reports were received from Together Loving Christ Church, St Margaret's Church, Drayton Horticultural Association, RG Carter Bowls Club, 1st Drayton Scouting Group, Drayton WI. Friends of Long Dale (FoLD) and Thorpe Marriott Village Hall.

Written reports had been provided from Drayton Parish Council, Drayton Flower Club, Drayton Infant School, Drayton Junior School, SNAP, Drayton Village Hall and Bob Carter Centre.

All reports are attached to these minutes.

4. Items for the agenda for discussion.

- 4.1. Access to pavilion at King George Fifth Playing Field
- 4.2. Hall Lane Traffic Calming
- 4.3. Parking in the Centre of Drayton
- 4.4. Travellers

4.1 Pavilion Access

It was acknowledged that access to the pavilion was difficult to attend meetings and visit the parish council office. The future use of the building does to need to be considered in respect of alterations that would need to be undertaken to improve access. It was possible that a box lift could be installed. Holding Parish Council meetings at different venues within the parish was also an option.

4.2 Hall Lane

The traffic calming measures were installed along Hall Lane as part of the Development Consent Order for the NDR construction. These measures needed to be put into place before the NDR construction work could start. The pinch point and chicanes if approached at the correct speed did slow traffic down but traffic was generally traveling too fast which is generating a lot of near misses and bumps into the posts. NCC Highways expect the situation to improve as users become more familiar with the layout.

4.3 Parking in the Centre of Drayton

Parking in the centre of Drayton is at a premium and the situation has become worse since the opening of Domino's Pizzas. Parking on the double yellow lines has become the norm. Parking along School Road at school opening/closing times was also a major issue. All viable solutions revolve around more land becoming available to act as car parking. However, any suitable land was not generally available to purchase and discussions with the landowners in respect of this issue had taken place in the past and had proved unfruitful.

4.4 Travellers

The parish had recently seen travellers in the area on the former David Rice Hospital site. Evictions notices had been issued and the travellers had moved on to Hink's Meadow in Taverham. Taverham Parish Council were in contact with the local principle authorities to ensure welfare and seeking to move the travellers on to a more suitable site. Measures to prevent travellers gaining access to sites had been introduced but there is always a conflict between access and convenience for the general public and security and protection of the sites.

The Chairman thanked all those who attended and closed the meeting at 7.29pm