

At the meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday 17th March, 2008 there were:

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott (Chairman), H. Lewis, A. Cooke, J. Patchett, N. French, L. Tyler and Mrs. M. Pycock. In attendance were the Clerk and ten members of the public.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Councillor French back after illness.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Mrs. Davidson.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No Declarations of Interest were made.

3. POLICE CONSTABLE'S REPORT

Not present.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of last meeting, previously circulated, were taken as read and signed as a true record.

5. MATTERS FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENDA NOT ON THIS AGENDA

3 - Flooding. Anglian Water and the Environment Agency had replied to the letter sent to all agencies concerned with flooding problems in the village. Anglian Water maintains that flooding only occurs once in thirty years and, as their sewerage network can normally cope, they can offer no instant solution. The Environment Agency feels that this problem comes under the jurisdiction of either Anglian Water or WLDC, but they do exercise a general supervisory duty over all matters relation to drainage. It was AGREED we should wait a while and then contact the Environment Agency again - to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

3 - Road sweeping, The Crescent. Residents had been informed of the day that the road sweeper would come and they had moved their cars accordingly. It is hoped that the Clerk can be informed of future dates for road sweeping.

7 - Street lighting along the bottom of High Meadows. No objections had been raised by residents; LCC Street Lighting team had been informed.

14 - Provision of sand bags. The Church Commissioners have given permission for one of the barns at Manor Farm to be used for storing sand and sand bags, with the Flood Warden looking after them.

17 - Chapel Road sign on The Crescent. Still vandalised.

6. ACCOUNTS

FINANCE BUDGET 2007/2008

Noted.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT/FI NANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk outlined the following transactions, which had occurred since the last meeting.

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Big Lottery Fund	18350.00	
WLDC Councillor Initiative Fund	1000.00	
Transfer from DA	6000.00	
<u>Payments:</u>		
Village Hall Management Committee	48.00	
Signs Express (N & NE Lincs)	50.00	
Record RSS Ltd	1334.05	
Record RSS Ltd	22686.90	
Signs Express (N & NE Lincs)	38.48	
Community Lincs (playground inspection training)	7.00	
Current Account balance		14651.12

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Payments:

Transfer to CA	6000.00	
Deposit Account balance		890.91

PETTY CASH

Postage	9.62	
Stationery	21.54	
Jan/Feb telephone	<u>8.00</u>	
Total Petty Cash	39.16	
Petty cash balance		<u>2.86</u>
GRAND TOTAL		15544.89

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT:

LALC (2008/09 Subscription)	275.35
Mrs M.Y. Smithson (Clerk's salary 01/10-31/03)	2810.52
C.C. Ltd (public liability insurance for play area)	11.00
Signs Express (balance payable for safety signs)	47.23
L. Tyler (wood for backing play area signs)	19.97
Martyn Pocklington Construction Ltd (play area tarmac)	4935.00
Mrs M.Y. Smithson (Clerks expenses)	75.00
Community Lincs (CPRE Subs)	25.00
Martyn Pocklington Construction Ltd (play mats)	176.25
AGREED	
Total after cheques paid out	£7169.57

DONATION REQUESTS

A request had been received from WRVS for a donation towards North Lincolnshire Emergency Services. As this is a national organisation, it was AGREED not to support.

The Chairman and Clerk suggested a donation be made towards the Parish News; it was AGREED to donate £50.00.

7. SIGNING OF PRECEPT

AGREED and signed.

8. PLAY AREA

The Scouts do not now require a permanent fence between the village hall and the scouts' land. 18 metres of fencing has been ordered to go at the edge of the field at the rear of the village hall. The Chairman thanked the school for helping to design the play area and for coming to the official opening. The Headmistress is hoping to use the play area as part of school lessons on safety. He also thanked Councillor Tyler for backing the signs and putting them up. He suggested that the Parish Councillors give himself, the Vice Chair and the Clerk authority to provide a bin near the youth shelter if required - AGREED. It was AGREED that dogs should not be allowed in the fenced off part of the play area and that signs to that effect should be provided. The Clerk was thanked for her liaison work with all the play area suppliers.

9. CIRCULARS

Nothing was circulated.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

Since the last meeting, the Planning committee had discussed an application for single storey extension including an integral double garage at Swallow Grange, Nelson Road - no comment.

Applications to vary planning permission condition re touring/static caravans at Short Ferry Caravan Park and erect a single storey extension including an integral double garage at Swallow Grange, Nelson Road had been withdrawn.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received the following correspondence:

Audit Commission - appointment of external auditor

Witham Valley Access Project - asking for support. The Clerk read the letter which outlined the objectives of this Project. It was AGREED to support them, as one of their aims is to provide a footpath/cyclepath from Fiskerton via Cherry Willingham to Greetwell Church. A public meeting is to be held at Cherry Willingham and Reepham village hall on April 28th at 8.00 p.m.

12. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH MEETING

CONFIRMED as Annual General Meeting on 19th May, 2008 at 7.30 p.m.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Concern was expressed about dogs being walked without being on a lead. Unfortunately, this matter is beyond the scope of the Parish Council but it was AGREED that the Clerk should make WLDC Dog Warden aware of this problem and ask for his advice. If any person is bitten by a dog, they should inform the Dog Warden and the Police.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

19th May, 2008

At the Annual Parish Meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday, 17th March, 2008, there were;

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott (Chairman), J. Patchett, H. Lewis, A. Cooke, N. French, L. Tyler and Mrs. M. Pycok. In attendance were County Councillor I. Fleetwood, the Clerk and thirteen members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor Mrs. Davidson.

2. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Alan Brown, LCC Area Highways Manager, outlined future proposed works throughout the village, following which he answered questions from villagers.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman gave a comprehensive report of Parish Council activities during the past year.

4. VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD

An invitation had been put in the Parish News for anyone interested in supporting a village playing field to attend this meeting; from the attendance it does not appear that there is any demand for football or cricket teams in the village. The Parish Council would be prepared to rent a piece of land at the rear of the village hall but this would not be for formal teams. They would though support a sports club if one was set up. The Chair of the School Governors advised that, if an official sports club was set up, the School would look into letting them use their sports facilities - she agreed to put this matter formally to the Governors at their next meeting. An item is to be put in the Parish News.

5. ACCOUNTS

The Clerk presented an audited statement of accounts in respect of the financial year 2006/2007.

6. VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNTS

Mrs. A. Cooke, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee, presented statements of accounts.

7. HODGSON'S CHARITY

Mr. R. Walkinton, in his capacity as Trustee of the Charity, presented the audited statement of accounts in respect of Hodgson's Charity.

8. FISKERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs. A. Cooke, in her capacity as Governor of Fiskerton Primary School, reported on the school activities during the past year.

9. COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Fleetwood reported on his activities during the past year at Lincolnshire County Council, following which he answered questions from villagers.

In the absence of District Councillor Mrs. Davidson, the Clerk read her report on her activities during the past year at West Lindsey District Council.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/OPEN SESSION

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

19th May, 2008