

At the meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday, 24th January, 2011 there were:

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott (Chairman), P. Fishwick, A. Cooke, L. Tyler, Miss A. Chesman and B. Patchett. In attendance were the Clerk and three members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs. M. Howard, District Councillor Mrs. M. Davidson and County Councillor I. Fleetwood.

2. OPEN SESSION

A parishioner asked who decided whether the village hall can be booked and why 18th birthday parties can't be held there. She was told that it was a WLDC ruling not to allow 18th birthday parties and advised to bring any concerns to the Village Hall Management Committee meeting on 31st January.

3. POLICE CONSTABLE'S REPORT

Not present.

4. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

6. MATTERS FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENDA NOT ON THIS AGENDA

2 - Highway problems near Diamond House. LCC Highways report that an improvement scheme for the carriageway outside Diamond House has been included in this year's financial year's works programme. Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership have arranged for a traffic survey to be carried out. The Clerk was asked to copy both letters to the owner of the property.

2 - Simple SID. The Police are responsible for siting the speed indicator. Councillor Fishwick was asked to contact them and suggest sites.

11 - Broken manhole, The Crescent. Both Acis and Anglian Water state that the manhole is not their responsibility but have agreed to liaise to try to remedy the problem. Councillor Fishwick reported that the repaired raised area outside 3 Hall Court is in a dangerous condition again - the Clerk was asked to inform LCC Highways.

7. ACCOUNTS

FINANCE BUDGET 2010/2011

As read.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT/FINANCIAL REPORT

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

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Payments:

PWLB (Loan)	1026.27	
Current Account balance		1713.70

CAPITAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Interest to 07/01	1.16	
Deposit Account balance		8024.96

PETTY CASH

Postage	6.49	
Dec telephone	4.00	
Stationery - envelopes	2.69	
Total Petty Cash	13.18	
Petty cash balance		41.09
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>		<u>9779.75</u>

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT:

Village Hall Management Committee - meeting hire	24.00
Freeola (web site domain renewal - paid online)	16.45
AGREED	
Total after cheques paid out	<u>9739.30</u>

DONATION REQUESTS

The Lincolnshire Playing Fields Association had written asking for financial support. Due to a tight budget, it was AGREED that we could not support them this year but hopefully we would be able to next year.

8. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE TENDERS

The Clerk was asked to obtain tenders and bring them to the next meeting - Agenda item.

9. FLOOD MITIGATION SCHEME

The system is not finished yet but is working. Contractors have jetted out the section of culvert between Ferry Road and Church View Crescent - a one off action in respect of this riparian watercourse. Work on the manhole at 17 St. Clement's Drive is in hand - again a one off action. It was not felt necessary to have a meeting of riparian owners as CCTV footage reported that no major works are needed. The plaque is on order but will be kept until a suitable occasion arises. It is not known when conditions will allow the contractors back into the attenuation area to finalise levels to improve drainage. Tony Adams has agreed to write an article for the newsletter when the Internal Drainage Board has agreed to place the culverts on their five year CCTV monitoring schedule.

10. PLAY AREA

Councillors were concerned about the existing gates and damage to them. Councillor Tyler suggested that they were not up to standard as they should be able to resist continual use. The question was raised whether the area did need to be gated as younger children should be accompanied by responsible adults. Councillor Tyler agreed to look into the relevant legislation and the Clerk was asked to write to the manufacturers.

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Councillor Tyler had reported online that the street lights near the Carpenters Arms were not working but they have not been repaired yet - the Clerk to contact LCC Highways.

12. CIRCULARS

No circulars.

13. PLANNING MATTERS

Planning permission has been refused to the application to erect two detached dwellings on the former Nursery Unit, Ferry Road.

The Clerk outlined correspondence she has had with WLDC Planning Enforcement concerning the open spaces on the Chapel Rise estate. Morris Homes had given a donation towards the play area equipment at the Village Hall on the basis that the two open spaces were left as open grass areas. The land would not be transferred to the Parish Council until the pumping station had been adopted. In view of this information, the file is now closed. LCC Highways are in the process of calling in the bond on the estate and remedial works are currently being quantified in order to bring the estate up to an adoptable standard.

PCSO Parker arrived at 8.00 p.m. and reported on recent vehicle crimes in Fiskerton and Cherry Willingham. She advised against keeping valuables in vehicles. Councillors requested that consideration be given to siting Simple SID on the airfield side of village and near the church, coming into the village rather than out of it.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received the following correspondence:

VH Management Committee - thanks for donation

Royal British Legion - 'Great Poppy Party Weekend' 10th to 12th June 2011

The Queen Elizabeth II Fields project to protect 2012 outdoor recreational sites - to place in newsletter

15. TO RECEIVE THE OBSERVATIONS OF THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

The Clerk read a report from District Councillor Mrs. Davidson. The reduction in WLDC's government grant is approximately £1.8 million over the next two years. Consultations have taken place on options for cutting the Council's costs - the Council is aiming for a zero increase in council tax and hoping to avoid cuts to frontline services and redundancies. Following a survey she distributed throughout the Fiskerton Ward it is clear that many residents do not have access to the internet and that broadband services are not 'up to speed'. She plans to report her findings to WLDC and take up wider issues such as broadband with our M.P. Edward Leigh.

Her recent village surgery raised the problems of a garden horse chestnut tree which may be diseased - the Clerk was asked to contact the owner of the tree offering him advice if needed. The lease of the paddock is coming up for renewal and one resident had asked if sports facilities could be reinstated. The Parish Council have often asked for volunteers to set up sports teams with no success; in addition the land is owned by the Church Commissioners who have said that they will not lease the land for sports.

16. TO FIX THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

CONFIRMED as Monday 28th March, 2011 in the village hall - 6.45 p.m. followed by Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 p.m,

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman reported that WLDC is to bring Parish Council elections in line with District ones which will mean another election this year. WLDC will pay if uncontested but Parish Council will have to pay if it is contested. He also reported on the government's plans to sell off Forestry Commission land which will affect Lincolnshire Limewoods. He suggested that we write a letter of protest to our M.P. which could then be copied during the consultation process - AGREED.

Councillor Fishwick reported on the condition of the grass verges between Oak House and The Close on Chapel Road and outside 1 The Crescent - caused by vehicles being parked on the grass and churning it up. The Clerk was asked to inform LCC Highways.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

28th March, 2011

At the Annual Parish Meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday, 22nd March, 2010, there were;

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott (Chairman), H. Lewis, A. Cooke, N. French and Mrs. M. Pycock. In attendance were District Councillor Mrs. M. Davidson, the Clerk and sixteen members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B. Patchett.

2. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

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

3. MATTERS FROM THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AGENDA NOT ON THIS AGENDA

2 - First Contact Scheme. Leaflets had been distributed.

4. HIGHWAY MATTERS

There were no highway matters raised.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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

6. AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2008/2009

The Clerk presented an audited statement of accounts in respect of the financial year 2008/2009.

7. VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNTS

Mrs. M. Howard, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee, presented the statement of accounts. She informed the meeting that the accounts had passed their audit but had not yet been received.

8. 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.

9. FISKERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

10. COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

District Councillor Mrs. M. Davidson reported on her activities during the past year at West Lindsey District Council.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/OPEN SESSION

Quad bikes - the Council was asked (a) if a risk assessment had been carried out at the field; (b) if there are any first aid facilities on the days the field is used and (c) are the riders insured? District Councillor Mrs. Davidson offered to look into these matters.

Villagers were concerned over the likelihood of a Travellers Camp being set up. They were informed that if WLDC did decide that Fiskerton was a possible location, there would be consultation and planning permission would be required.

If villagers want to comment, they can use WLDC web site.

The location of potholes can be reported on LCC web site.

The open spaces on Chapel Rise still belong to Morris Homes. Planting on one of the open spaces should take place during the coming growing season.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.

CHAIRMAN