

At the meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday, 16th December, 2013 there were:

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott, A. Cooke, S. Canner, R. Wall, Mrs. M. Howard and Ms A. Chesman. In attendance were District Councillor C. Darcel, the Clerk and ten members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. OPEN SESSION

Residents from Short Ferry asked if there was any information about the possibility of a footpath and hard-standing bus stop at Short Ferry - nothing has been heard

The highway repairs on Ferry Road were very poor and the road is breaking up again. Councillors were asked about the possibility of upgrading the road through the village to B-class; the Clerk was asked to write to LCC Highways asking what is the criteria for up-classing a road. It was suggested she contact the Clerk to Langworth Parish Council in order to find out who they contacted.

Residents at Short Ferry were concerned about the condition of the site - District Councillor Darcel to contact WLDC.

District Councillor Darcel felt that the parish council should take over the open spaces on Holmfield to stop any future planning application. The parish council stressed that they do not want to take over ownership - District Councillor Darcel to look into WLDC taking over the land.

The Clerk had received an email asking about the possibility of installing a skate park in the village; there is no land to put one on at present but this will be borne in mind if land becomes available.

3. POLICE CONSTABLE'S REPORT

The Clerk read out the NPT report: a passenger window on a car smashed on High Meadows (nothing stolen), a van scraped by another which failed to stop after the incident on Ferry Road, a vehicle windscreen broken by a hanging chain on another vehicle on Lincoln Road - all incident dealt with accordingly. Threats had been made to a young adult on the bus, both parties had been spoken to and the matter now closed.

4. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No Declarations of Interest were made.

5. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

6. MATTERS FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENDA NOT ON THIS AGENDA

6 - Play area. No further forward.

10 - Loose kerbstone on Church View Crescent. The Clerk to include in letter to LCC Highways.

PCSO Parker and a colleague arrived. District Councillor Darcel asked for their advice on installing clear sliding doors on the teenage shelter - PCSO Parker to speak to her Beat Manager. The police officers then left the meeting.

7. FINANCE

BUDGET 2013/2014

Noted and AGREED.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT/FINANCIAL REPORT

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

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Receipts:

LCC Grass cutting	857.46
Hist/Arch receipts	336.00
Grazing rental	25.00

Payments:

Staffing costs (Nov)	401.70
LALC (Local Councils Explained book)	49.99
SLCC (Subs)	101.00
F.W. Cupit (Hist/Arch printing)	1950.00

Current Account balance 1401.59

CAPITAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Deposit Account balance	25052.14
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PETTY CASH

Postage	7.50	
Stationery (year planner)	3.69	
Nov telephone	<u>4.00</u>	
Total Petty Cash	15.19	
Petty cash balance		11.10
GRAND TOTAL		26464.83

ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT:

Veolia ES (UK) Ltd (grass cutting Oct)	210.00
AGREED	
Total after cheques paid out	26254.83

PRECEPT

Formally AGREED as £15,000.00

DONATION REQUESTS

Village Hall Committee: requested £50 towards Christmas tree/decorations. Councillor Cooke proposed that amount be agreed; seconded by Councillor Canner - AGREED.

West Lindsey Citizens Advice Bureau: financial grant towards their charitable services in 2014/15. AGREED not to support as prefer local charities.

8. FENCE - OPEN SPACE, HOLMFIELD

Councillor Wall has not yet got quotes for hedging - to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

9. TEENAGE SHELTER - LIGHTING/MAINTENANCE

District Councillor Darcel is looking into getting Community Grant funding towards solid wood seating and flooring materials.

10. PADDOCK FIELD

District Councillor Darcel has made enquiries at WLDC but they do not know what is going to happen with the field.

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS

District Councillor Darcel read an email from a resident about the condition of the village roads/footpaths. Councillors were very concerned that reports of this sort should not be sent anonymously and undated; no action can be taken on such reports.

Councillor I. Fleetwood arrived at the meeting. He reiterated parish councillors' reminders that LCC Highways has a contacts page on their website for any complaints and stressed that anybody can report highway defects online. - www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/highways. All County Council issues, including highways, should be reported to him not the District Councillor. He also reported that LCC Highways budget is to be drastically reduced in two years and is encouraging all parishes to upgrade their road network.

12. CIRCULARS

The Clerk circulated the Local Council Review.

13. PLANNING MATTERS

Discussion was held on the planning application by Lark Energy for a solar farm on Fiskerton Airfield. The application was broadly approved as long as the following conditions were met: 1. It needs to be well landscaped - so that, for instance, it cannot be intrusive from the bedroom windows on the nearby new estates. 2. Wildlife refuges must be maintained and created where appropriate. 3. Footpaths and bridleways need to be well maintained and not to the legal minimum. If their routes are altered, this should be made very clear with maps provided. 4. Fracking should not be allowed. In addition it was felt that the community should receive long term benefits from the project, e.g. a large financial contribution made which would enable community projects in the future.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received the following correspondence:

LCC - temporary road closure, Orchard Road (posted on internet, posters in shop and noticeboard)

St. Clement's Church, Fiskerton - thanks for part payment for repairs to church clock

15. OBSERVATIONS OF THE DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS

No further comments

16. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

Arranged for 3rd February, 24th March, 19th May, 30th June, 28th July, 15th September, 3rd November and 15th December.
Next meeting AGREED as Monday 3rd February, 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Wall suggested that a sub-committee should be set up to liaise with residents at Short Ferry and the County and District Councillors; seconded by Councillor Ms Chesman - AGREED. To be an agenda item at the next meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman

3rd February, 2014