

At the meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday, 3rd February, 2014 there were:

PRESENT

Councillors A. Cooke (Vice Chair), Miss A. Chesman, Mrs. M. Howard, S. Canner and R. Wall. In attendance were County Councillor I. Fleetwood, District Councillor C. Darcel, the Clerk and twelve members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C. Scott and B. Patchett.

2. OPEN SESSION

Councillors were made aware of flooding on the road towards Short Ferry - to be dealt with under Highway Matters.

3. POLICE CONSTABLE'S REPORT

The Clerk read the Police report: damage and drunken behaviour in and around the village hall on 28.12.2013. Incident dealt with and information passed to other village halls.

4. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillors Wall, Mrs. Howard and Ms Chesman declared an interest in item 12 - Village Hall Vandalism - as they are members of the Village Hall Committee.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of last meeting, previously circulated, were taken as read and signed as a true record with the exception of first line on item 14: Should read 'The Clerk had received the following correspondence'.

6. MATTERS FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENDA NOT ON THIS AGENDA

2 - Short Ferry Site. District Councillor Darcel had been in contact with WLDC and reported that there was only one licence for the site. Any problems with the site should be between the owners and residents, with the owners contacting residents when required.

6 - Play area. Councillor Wall reported that repairs to the play area are scheduled for 25th March, 2014.

7. ACCOUNTS

FINANCE BUDGET 2013/2014

As read.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT/FINANCIAL REPORT

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

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Hist/Arch receipts	208.00	
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Payments:

Dec staffing + expenses	476.70	
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Jan staffing	401.70	
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Fiskerton VH	40.00	
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PWLB	1026.27	
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Txf from DA	4000.00	
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Current Account balance		3460.93
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CAPITAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Interest	3.25	
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Payments:

To CA	4000.00	
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Deposit Account balance		21055.39
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PETTY CASH

Postage	9.60	
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Dec/Jan telephone	<u>8.00</u>	
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Total Petty Cash	17.60	
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Petty cash balance		<u>68.50</u>
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GRAND TOTAL		<u>24584.82</u>
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ACCOUNTS TO BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT:

There were no accounts to be passed for payment.

DONATION REQUESTS

There were no donation requests.

The Clerk reported that all approvals had been given for the installation of the bus shelter opposite High Meadows, the shelter had been ordered and invoice sent for the grant funding. Councillor Wall suggested a plaque be bought in memory of the late Mr. D. Welch whose bequest enabled this project- AGREED.

8. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE TENDERS

Tenders have been sent to Continental Landscapes and Veolia (current contractor). To be an agenda item at the next meeting.

9. FENCE/HEDGING - OPEN SPACE, HOLMFIELD

Councillor Wall reported that trees/hedging could be provided by the Woodland Trust; these would be free provided the community was behind the project. District Councillor Darcel felt there needs to be something in place to stop people going into the field at the rear of this space. To be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Councillor Cooke reported on a recent meeting with Lark Energy who are prepared to fund projects around the village, e.g. bus shelters, hedging/fencing etc. If anyone has any ideas of suitable projects would they please contact the Parish Council. There may be a possibility of receiving an annual sum for ongoing projects. To be an agenda item at the next meeting.

10. TEENAGE SHELTER-LIGHTING/MAINTENANCE

Hopefully lighting will be provided via the Solar Farm scheme and is ongoing. To be an agenda item at the next meeting.

11. SUB-COMMITTEE/LIAISON - SHORT FERRY RESIDENTS

Residents at Short Ferry are trying to set up their own Residents Group which would then discuss any problems with the owners. Parish Councillors would like to help but there is not much they can do. Agenda Short Ferry update at the next meeting.

12. VILLAGE HALL VANDALISM

Councillor Mrs. Howard outlined recent vandalism at the village hall. The booking form has been amended to ensure that no-one under 18 can book the hall, an insurance claim has been submitted and over 400 village halls have been alerted. The matter is in the hands of the police. The village hall committee is looking into paying for window repairs to the teenage shelter.

13. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Flooding on the road near Ferry Hill Farm and near the Pump Station at Short Ferry was discussed. The Clerk was asked to inform LCC Highways - this problem has been reported many times and constitutes a road hazard; Councillors felt it should be resolved with some degree of urgency.

The Clerk had received a reply from LCC Highways concerning an email which she had forwarded for their attention. Many problems still need addressing and Councillors Cooke and Mrs. Howard are to look at these and email the Clerk for a further letter to LCC Highways. Councillor Darcel asked for a copy of the letter from LCC Highways.

14. CIRCULARS

The Clerk circulated a letter from the Central Lincs Joint Strategic Planning Committee concerning Moving to a Joint Local Plan.

15. PLANNING MATTERS

Since the last meeting, planning permission has been given for an extension at the side of a property at 2 Manor Farm Cottages and the Solar Farm.

16. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received the following correspondence:

LCC Highways - Changes for library provision in Lincolnshire - results for Fiskerton and Short Ferry

LCC Highways - Approval for bus shelter

RSS Playmakers - sales acknowledgement for play area repairs

WLDC - Review of Polling Districts and Polling places - returning officer's proposals

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

District Councillor Darcel reported on the recent meeting re the closure of Hawthorn Road - he is hoping to talk to the LCC Highways Inspector. He feels that, in connection with the Joint Planning Unit, a Neighbourhood Plan would be preferable to a Parish Plan and suggested we look at the Cherry Willingham Neighbourhood Plan. The kerb stone in Church View Crescent has been fixed and a 30 mph sign replaced. He is concerned about the lack of police action in connection with the vandalism at the hall and teen shelter and is trying to pursue the matter with the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Councillor Fleetwood gave an update about the Eastern Bypass and Hawthorn Road closure - he is hoping that the plans can be modified and motorised access kept for Hawthorn Road. He reported on the Joint Planning Unit (LCC, NKDC, Lincoln City Council and WLDC) - as the future policy makers for planning. More consultation is needed on the Local Plan. The Witham Action Plan has been rejuvenated and communications will be received.

18. TO FIX THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

CONFIRMED as Monday, 24th March, 2014 in the village hall - 6.45 p.m. followed by Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 p.m,

19. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

24th March, 2014

At the Annual Parish Meeting of Fiskerton Parish Council held on Monday, 25th March, 2013, there were:

PRESENT

Councillors C. Scott (Chairman), A. Cooke, Mrs. M. Howard, Miss A. Chesman, S. Canner and R. Wall. In attendance were County Councillor I. Fleetwood, District Councillor C. Darcel, the Clerk and six 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

Nothing raised.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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

5. AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2011/2012

The Clerk presented an audited statement of accounts in respect of the financial year 2011/2012

6. VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNTS

Mrs. M. Howard, in her capacity as Treasurer of the Village Hall Committee, presented the audited statement of accounts.

7. HODGSON'S CHARITY

Due to illness, Mr. R. Walkinton is no longer able to be a Trustee of the Charity. Councillor Wall reported that the accounts had been audited but some figures had been late arriving - he will report at the next meeting.

8. FISKERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Clerk read the report from Mr. P Howarth, Community School Governor, on the school activities during the past year. She also reported that there is a vacancy for a School Crossing Patrol. A resident complained that cars taking children to school and parking in the cul-de-sac on Holmfield are damaging the road surface. Residents in the area will have to pay towards maintenance of the road and have asked ACIS if 'no turning' notices could be put up. The Clerk was asked to write to ACIS reinforcing this request.

9. COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Fleetwood reported that (1) Cherry Willingham parish council have presented their Community Plan CW2020 and can be seen on their website; (2) LCC have been awarded an extra £6.5 million to fill potholes - these need to be reported quickly and efficiently. He is lobbying to get repairs on Ferry Road from the village towards Applegarth.; (3) the bus service and stop at Short Ferry needs to be utilised and the level of service maintained; (4) LCC is trying to keep statutory services running and trying to keep taxation down. There has been a 0% increase over the last three years; (5) more bus shelters are being installed in Reepham and Cherry Willingham - quality bus shelters keep people using the buses.

District Councillor Darcel reported that (1) the Parish Plan questionnaire is to be delivered by hand and is very close to being put on the web site. There is another Parish Plan meeting on 25th April; (2) WLDC Planning - most issues are settled by officers' delegated powers; (3) the Bedroom Tax coming in shortly will affect villagers; (4) the District Council tax has risen 1.5%; (5) the Council Tax Benefit Support is changing slightly; (6) there is a new flooding issue at 22 Water Hill - he has contacted Tony Adams and will contact Mr. Good; (7) he suggested that new dog waste bins should be installed - 2 on Chapel Rise, 1 on Blacksmiths Road and 1 on the footpath from Nelson Road towards the river bank - the Clerk to contact WLDC. Councillor Mrs. Howard suggested we look into a new dog by-law - to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS/OPEN SESSION

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN