

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2016  
AT THE BEECHES**

**Those Present;** - Cllr Beckett (DB); Cllr Radcliffe (RR); Cllr Chaplin (PC); Cllr Mrs J Malkin (JM); Cllr Mitchell (BM);  
Cllr Mrs G Preece (GP); Cllr Patterson (CP); Cllr Wightman (LW);

Members 11

Quorum 4

Interim Clerk Jeanette Borderick

Parishioner 1

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

P Action

**15-16/193 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Mrs P Wilkes and Cllr Mrs V Bruyneel-Smith.

**15-16/194 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** for items on agenda

None.

**15-16/195 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins)**

None.

**15-16/196 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016**

Amended minutes (15-16/182 j) approved. Proposed RR. Seconded BM.

**Amended to: CP advised "Isleham Informer documentation on existing website to be transferred to Isleham Village website before renewal date".**

CARRIED

Motion to exclude the public and press (15-16/191). Proposed PC. Seconded BM.

CARRIED

Cllr James Palmer entered the meeting at 7.25pm.

**15-16/197 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (for information only)**

GP requested clarification of amount we pay for printing of Isleham Informer. It was stated that we now have a new contract with different pricing.

**15-16/198 POLICE MATTERS**

Vandalised lamppost repaired by Tim Wilding.

**15-16/199 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS**

- a)
- Cllr Palmer advised that roundabout on Soham Bypass-Eastern Gateway- is still waiting approval. County Council will pay for work subject to planning permission being granted for new housing to be built next to The Shade School.
  - CCC Budget meeting being held 14<sup>th</sup> February 2016.
- b)
- DB advised that there is a Parish Forum open meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016 to rewrite the local plan. 3 delegates can attend.

**15-16/200 RECREATION GROUND MATTERS**

- a)
- DB reported that the ground is in good condition considering recent wet weather.
  - Recreation ground appears to be being used for personal training. CP to contact to enquire of the current arrangements.
- b)
- Palmer to sharpen blades on recreation ground mower. PC proposed. Seconded CP.

CARRIED

**15-16/201 PLAY AREA/SKATE PARK/MUGA**

CP to investigate remote controlling of lighting on MUGA.

**15-16/202 CEMETERY AND CHURCHYARD MATTERS**

- a) Nothing to report.
- b) Quotation from Greenwood Tree Surgery £1038.00 plus vat accepted, being lowest tender. Proposed PC. Seconded CP.

CARRIED

c)

**15-16/203 ICA REPORT/THE BEECHES**

- a)
  - Successful quiz night held. These will now be a monthly event.
  - Further work/investigations to reduce electricity consumption.

b)

CP and PC declared an interest in this item.

It was proposed by RR and seconded by LW that the rent for 2015/2016 be deferred until outcome of queries relating to utility bills is known. Future rent payments to be made on a monthly basis of £250.00 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

The vote was 4 in favour 2 abstentions.

CARRIED

**15-16/204 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Renewal of anti-virus software to clerk's laptop.
- b) Bank reconciliations for December approved. Proposed by RR. Seconded GP
- c) Pay January accounts. Proposed by RR. Seconded GP  
 The cheques were signed by RR and PC

NOTED

Cheque No;	Payee	Item	Net	VAT	Total	Power
Payments made since the last meeting						

## ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL TO PAY ACCOUNTS 1st FEBRUARY 2016

Cheque No;	Payee	Item	Net	VAT	Total	Power
Payments made since the last meeting						
BACS	Staff	January Salaries	£2,514.73	£0.00	£2,514.73	LGA 1972 s112
Payments for tonight's meeting:						
300105	Barnwell Electrical Co Ltd	MUGA repair lighting	£62.70	£12.54	£75.24	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19(d)
300106	ICE Ltd	Cleaning of changing rooms	£2,100.00	£420.00	£2,520.00	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19(d) Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
300107	Veolia	Hire of Easi-Bin	£177.63	£35.53	£213.16	
300108	HMRC	Tax & NI	£452.82	£0.00	£452.82	LGA 1972 s112
300109	Impress Express Signs & Graphics Ltd	Car Park Sign	£15.00	£3.00	£18.00	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19(d)

Grand Total>>>

£5,322.88 £471.07 £5,793.95

**15-16/205 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS**

- a) Dog fouling issues reported to ECDC.

**15-16/206 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

- a) None.  
b) East Cambs Energy Efficiency Grants.

NOTED

**15-16/207 ALLOTMENT MATTERS**

- a) PC requested enquiries be directed to him.  
b) **Allotment Working Party**

A review of allotments was undertaken. It was proposed by RR and seconded by LW that the recommendations of the group were approved.

- To retain the lease for the 3 Tree Allotment.
- To identify level of occupation and vacant plots in this and other sites.
- Advertise vacancies in Isleham and surrounding villages.
- To consider whether other uses should be allowed.

CARRIED

**15-16/208 ORCHARD MATTERS**

- a) None.  
b) Review of council's insurance needs to be undertaken.  
c) Further information requested from Friends of Isleham Nature Society over funding request.

**15-16/209 WASH MATTERS**

- a) None.  
b) Wash Working Party.

- A review of The Wash lease was undertaken. It was proposed by RR and seconded by LW that the recommendations of the group were approved.

- That the Wash remain as a wildlife area and be managed accordingly to the current or an enhanced level and that negotiations about the continuation of the lease be held with the current tenants.

CARRIED

**15-16/210 PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) **Planning Applications**

15/01367/FUL Propose 2No. 1 & 1/2 storey dwellings, garaging and new access drive.

Location: Land rear of 52-56 West Street Isleham. Mr D Clarke. Objected.

The council objects on the grounds that the development would impact on footpath 14 and access to site is readily available from adjacent roadway, rather than as shown on plan.

15/01394/FUL Replacement dwelling, 31 East Road Isleham-Revised plans. No objection.

b) **Planning Approvals**

15/01453/FUL Replacement Dwelling 22 Little London Isleham. Mr Richard Turner.  
15/01305/LBC Replace 6 wooden sash windows to rear of property. Mr Fred Preece.

NOTED

c) **Other Planning Matters**

Planning forum 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016.  
LW to attend.

**15-16/211 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

*DB reminded Councillors to notify the Clerk of any business and payments at least 7 days before the next meeting.*

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm

1. LGA 1972 s85
2. Dec of Interest Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2012
3. Minutes LGA 1972 Sch 12, para 41(2)

Signed: .....

Chairman

Date: .....