

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs Diane Bayliss

Power Action

Chairman Mr Derrick Beckett

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY JUNE 9th 2008 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Those Present:- Cllr Beckett, Cllr Carter, Cllr Mrs Wilkes, Cllr Mrs H Thompson, Cllr Earl, Cllr Baines, Cllr Garbett, Cllr Hobbs, Cllr Mrs R Thompson, Cllr Neal, Cllr Mrs Malkin
3 Parishioners

27. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

County Councillor Broadway, County Councillor Powley,

28. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST *(For Items on Agenda)* 1

Cllr Neal Item 39 b & c

29. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 2

It was proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th May 2008 be approved as a correct record of the business transacted with the removal of Mr Bishop from the working parties and the addition of Mrs H Thompson to the Parish Plan. CARRIED

30. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING 2

It was proposed by Cllr Baines and seconded by Cllr Mrs Hobbs that the minutes of the planning meeting held on 19th May be approved as a correct record of the business transacted.

CARRIED

Item 43. Site Plans for the New Community Centre brought forward for discussion here.

- a) For the purposes of the planning department the Council are looking at the position of the Centre the Car Park and the Play Area.

Mr Aspland asked that it be noted that wherever the cricket square is re-located there is some risk however it was felt that the risk was minimal. Following some discussion it was proposed by Cllr Baines and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the site plan submitted by the architect today be accepted. CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Carter that the ICA be permitted to display the internal layout and elevation plans on Gala Day; any members of the Council wishing to see the plans beforehand are free to attend the ICA planning meeting on Monday 30th June. CARRIED

31. MATTERS ARISING *(for information only)*

There were no matters arising.

32. POLICE MATTERS

- a) There was no police report.

All members have received a copy of the Neighbourhood Panel Newsletter. The next meeting of the panel is to be held on 2nd July. More volunteers are required for the speedwatch program.

33. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS

- a) As yet there have not been any applications for the position of caretaker for the village hall, however the present caretaker will be able to continue throughout June.

34. RECREATION GROUND MATTERS

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- a)
 - Thanks to Mr Sheldrick for the way the recreation ground is looking at the moment.
 - Some soil has been taken up onto the new recreation ground to fill in the pot holes.
- b) It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Carter that Cllr Mrs Malkin join the recreation ground committee.

CARRIED

- c) The teen play equipment has been fully installed inspected and remedial works have been carried out to the base of the shelter.
- d) In the light of the broken fence on the new recreation ground the Council will write to Mr Aves to see if a locked gate could be put in so that when organised games are taking place there is access to retrieve the ball if it goes over the fence. Clerk
- e) There were no objections in theory to the proposal for temporary toilets and changing facilities by the pavilion; however concerns were raised about the need for these to be kept clean. If the proposal goes ahead there will be a condition that the clubs would be responsible for keeping the facilities clean.
- f) There have been one or two enquiries about the tractor and someone will be viewing it on Tuesday 10th June.
- g) It was agreed that the tractor can be used as a float on gala day as long as it is properly insured and driven by Mr Sheldrick. Clerk

35. CEMETERY & CHURCHYARD MATTERS

- a) A letter has been received from Philip Ambrose at Cheffins confirming the particulars of the sale of the cemetery land; however he has pointed out that in the current climate the Council may not receive any offers. The closing date for tenders is July 18th and it was noted that the Council is under no obligation to accept any tenders which may be received during this time.

It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that this matter be put on the agenda for July to discuss the possible options for continuing with the plans for the new community centre should there not be an acceptable offer for the land at this stage.

Clerk

CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Hobbs and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the Council go ahead with the purchase of a flymo strimmer for the cemetery. CARRIED

- c) Matters from the previous agenda are currently being undertaken. Remedial works need to be carried out on some headstones in the new cemetery. It was therefore proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the clerk write to the families concerned notifying them that these works need to be done. Clerk

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A letter has been received from Mr Proudlock of 23a Beck Road; the letter has been noted by the Council and will be replied to by the Chairman. Copies of the reply will be given to all Councillors. Chair-
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36. HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Mrs R Thompson that the Council accept the revised Health and Safety Policy. A copy will be

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sent to all employees for signing.

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37. COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

- a) There was no County Councillors report.
- b) District Councillors Report
 - Notification of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Council – At the Council meeting on Tuesday 20th May Councillor Peter Cresswell was elected Chairman and Councillor Anthea Davidson was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council.
 - Cllr Fred Brown, Leader of the Council
 - Cllr Peter Moakes, Deputy Leader of the Council
 - A new cross party working party has been formed to look at The Ely Master Plan.
 - Changes to the standards board - complaints will be dealt with at ECDC.
 - Local Code of Conduct Complaints Process – noted.
 - It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Mrs Hobbs that the Council write to Peter Moakes asking if the compulsory purchase order can be enforced on no2 Church Street.

CARRIED

38. MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) May Bank Reconciliation
It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Baines that the May bank reconciliation be approved

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- b) Allianz Changes to Insurance Policy 3
The extra premium for the new play equipment is £183.21 and is included in the accounts for June.
- c) The telephone bill was paid to BT during the month by the clerk with the consent of the chairman. (Shown on Junes accounts) 4
- d) To Pay June Accounts
It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Baines that the June accounts be paid.

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- e) The Internal Audit has come back clear with no recommendations.
- f) A request was received from the East Cambs Neighbourhood Watch Association requesting financial assistance however no funds have been budgeted therefore the Council are unable to assist at this time. The request will be discussed at the budget meeting in September.

39. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) A notice has been received from ECDC informing the Council of tree works to be carried out on the Judas Tree at Meynell House Isleham.
- b) Cllr Neal left the meeting while the following matter was discussed. Subsequent to a letter from the clerk a reply was received from Andy Hunt at CCC informing the Council that the information received from Neal's showed that the bus into Newmarket was the most popular amongst Isleham residents therefore the other services would not be replaced. A petition was handed in during parishioner's question time

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which the clerk will forward to Cambs County Council.

- c) It was pointed out to the Councillors that the Dial-a-Ride scheme is operable in Isleham if a number of residents are willing to get together to use the service however unfortunately bus passes are not valid on this service.

Cllr Neal returned to the meeting.

- d) ECDC – LDF Consultation dates May 30th – July 11th. Cllr Carter attended the meeting on 3rd June. Councillors will be given copies to peruse and the item will be added to the July agenda for further discussion.

Clerk

40. HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

- a) Mrs Patterson has offered to pay for the village sign to be re-furbished and the Council are happy for this work to be carried out.

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- b) CCC Jointly Funded Minor Highways Improvements

It was proposed by Cllr Neal and seconded by Cllr Mrs R Thompson that the Council request a footpath extension on Fordham Road from the new development to the first house (no 2) and that yellow lines be placed on Sun Street from The Causeway as far as the cellar door of the Rising Sun, the length of Maltings Lane from the school to Mill Street, and to extend the lines on the south side of The Causeway to match the north side.

CARRIED

- c) Dog Waste/Rubbish Bins

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Malkin and seconded by Cllr Mrs R Thompson that the Council purchase 6 dog waste bins (receiving 2 free from East Cambs) and that the cost be included in next years budget. Cllr Baines abstained from the vote. 9 in favour.

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- d) The Tree Officer has inspected the planting at the Industrial Estate and has found that much of it has already died back; she has passed her comments on to the enforcement officer for action.

- e) A risk-assessment has been carried out at the Lime Kilns on the method used for cutting the grass on the steep embankments. The District Council are looking at purchasing new equipment which will allow them to cut the grass safely.

41. ALLOTMENT MATTERS

- a) The application for 2nd 6 x 8 ft shed for Mrs Alison Oliver was approved by the Council.

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42. PLANNING MATTERS

- a) Planning Correspondence

The notice of appeal for The Annexe 10 Sun Street was noted by the Council.

43. ICA

- a) New Community Centre Plans (External Layout) This item was discussed at the front of the meeting after the signing of the minutes.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman are on holiday from 14th – 30th June and the Clerk is on holiday from the 21st – 28th June.

Authority will be delegated to Cllr Neal in consultation with Cllr Mrs Malkin for any emergency matters that may arise during this time.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm

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Date of next meeting: 7th July 2008

1. Dec of Interest Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2001
Part 2
2. Minutes LGA 1972 Sch 12, para 41(2)
3. LGA 1972 s111
4. Standing Orders 54 (2)

Signed:

Chairman

Date: