

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL  
**Clerk: Mrs Diane Bayliss**  
**Chairman: Mr Derrick Beckett**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD**  
**MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2010**  
**IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

<b>Those Present;-</b>	Cllr Mrs Wilkes, Cllr Mrs H Thompson, Cllr Mrs Hobbs, Cllr Beckett, Cllr Baines, Cllr Mrs Malkin, Cllr Neal, Cllr Garbett, Cllr Carter arrived at 7.04pm	P O W E R	Action
	Members 11                      Quorum 4		
	Parishioners 4		
<b>10/190</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	1	
	Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Earl, Cllr Mrs R Thompson and County Councillor Palmer.		
<b>10/191</b>	<b>MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b> for items on agenda	2	
	Cllr Mrs Wilkes 10/196 Isleham Primary School (Personal)		
	Cllr Mrs Malkin 10/196 Isleham Primary School (Personal)		
<b>10/192</b>	<b>OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b>		
	Mr Sheldrick addressed the Council regarding the need for servicing the tractor and mowers and also mentioned that the bins on the recreation ground had not been emptied for some time.		
	Mr Mayall asked the Council if they would be willing to write to BT regarding the lack of a broadband connection on the Prickwillow exchange as he has been given the date of March 2011 before they will be on line which is unacceptable.		
<b>10/193</b>	<b>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010</b>	3	
	It was proposed by Cllr Baines and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> January are approved as a true record of the business transacted.		
	CARRIED		
<b>10/194</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING (<i>for information only</i>)</b>		
	Confirmation of the time of the consecration was discussed later in the meeting.		
<b>10/195</b>	<b>POLICE MATTERS</b>		
a)	The police report for January was read and noted by the Councillors. There have been two police surgeries so far; no-one attended the first one and only two people attended the second. A review will be carried out after a further four weeks to see if it is worth continuing with these.	noted	
b)	Following the results of the recent speed survey carried out on the Fordham Road a covert van will be deployed for enforcement activity.		
<b>10/196</b>	<b>ISLEHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL</b>		
a)	The school would like to meet with the chairman of the parish council to discuss the issues regarding security and access at the school.	Chair	
<b>10/197</b>	<b>ICA</b>		
a)	A new chairman is still required for the ICA.		
	A donation of £823.26 has been made to the ICA by the Isleham School of Performing Arts, however the cheque has been made payable to Isleham Parish Council so has been paid into the Councils account and a cheque will be issued at this meeting to cover this amount.	Clerk	
<b>10/198</b>	<b>VILLAGE HALL MATTERS</b>		
a)	There was nothing to report from the village hall committee.		
b)	The SLCC branch meeting will be held in the hall on Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July.	Clerk	
<b>10/199</b>	<b>RECREATION GROUND MATTERS</b>		
a)	It appears that the car park is no longer being locked in the evenings. The Council will monitor the situation for the next few months and report to the PCSO's that a considerable amount of		

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rubbish is left in the car park late at night.

Mr Cox will be asked to empty the bins on the recreation ground.

It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Baines that the mowers are booked in for a service with Palmers by Mr Sheldrick.

CARRIED

- b) Research about trees to be purchased for the recreation ground is ongoing. A meeting has been arranged for this Thursday (4<sup>th</sup> February) and the matter will be brought back to the next meeting for further discussion.

**10/200 FENLAND ELITE YOUTH BUS**

A report has been received from Andy King showing that up to 10 young people were using the Youth Bus before Christmas and that they expect numbers to increase throughout the year.

Clerk

It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Mrs Malkin that the Council will fund the bus from Easter with a review taking place after 6 months.

CARRIED

**10/201 CEMETERY & CHURCHYARD MATTERS**

- a) The Cemetery is to be consecrated on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm. All Councillors are invited to attend the ceremony.

Clerk

**10/202 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

- a) The Annual Parish meeting will be held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30pm.  
b) The Clerk will write to all interest groups in the village to see if they would like to submit a report to the meeting. Councillors are invited to bring suggestions for the agenda to the next meeting.

**10/203 PARISH PLAN**

- a) It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Wilkes and seconded by Cllr Baines that Mrs Glenda Preece is co-opted as a member of the Parish Plan Working Party.

Clerk

CARRIED

Cllr Mrs H Thompson has confirmed that she would like to remain on the working party.

**10/204 CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING**

Councillors were reminded about the Code of Conduct training to be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February at the Victoria Hall Fordham at 7pm.

**10/205 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

noted

- a) Littleport Masterplan. noted  
b) Ely Masterplan. noted  
c) Suffolk County Council – Waste Core Strategy – this was looked over by Cllr Baines and does not apply to our area. noted  
d) Cope News. noted  
e) Agendas/Decision Lists from ECDC noted

**10/206 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Notices about the County Council Consultation On Cambridgeshire's Local Transport Plan will be placed on the noticeboard. noted  
b) The Clerk is to attend the Looking after War Memorials Conference in March. clerk  
c) A letter has been received from Jenny Goldsmith about the amount of rubbish on Coates Drove. The Clerk will contact ECDC about having this removed. Clerk  
d) Cambridgeshire Horizons – Green Infrastructure Strategya noted  
e) It was proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Garbett that a donation of £30 is sent to the Bottisham/Burwell/Soham Schools Cluster to help with transport costs to enable Isleham primary school children to attend this year's 'Cluster' events. Clerk

CARRIED

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**10/207 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS**

- a) The County Councillor had read a statement to the Neighbourhood Panel about the County Highways policy on salt supplies and gritting during the recent bad weather.
- b) The District Council are continuing to look at budgets and the Youth Safe project is gaining ground and will hopefully benefit the neighbourhood panel area.

**10/208 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) It was proposed by Cllr Garbett and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the January Bank Reconciliation is approved.

CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by Cllr Baines and seconded by Cllr Garbett that the February Accounts are approved and paid after the cheque made payable to Bookers has been cancelled and re-issued for a smaller amount.

Clerk

Salaries £1454.95

Expenses £13.60

Tax & NI £344.11

Other Expenditure 2821.20

Petty Cash £32.16

CARRIED

The cheques were signed by Cllr Carter, Cllr Baines and the Clerk.

- c) It was proposed by Cllr Baines and seconded by Cllr Garbett that the reserve reward account is opened in preparation for the funds from the sale of the cemetery land.

CARRIED

- d) The clerk will be on holiday from Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Please direct all parish council queries to the Chairman and village hall matters to Mrs Malkin.

**10/209 APPLICATION FOR DUNSTALL APPRENTICE GRANT**

- a) It was proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Neal that the application received from Matt Gutteridge of Aves Close is approved at £220 subject to him producing a satisfactory receipt from Toni and Guy for products purchased from them.

Clerk

CARRIED

**10/210 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS**

- a) All matters have been reported to the County Council and it was pointed out by Cllr Powley that we should continue to report pot holes although the work may not be carried out until the weather improves.

Clerk

Concern has been raised by a parishioner about the number of cars for sale which are being parked at the Priory. The Council will write to the garage reminding them that there should be no car sales on the Priory Green.

- b) As from 14<sup>th</sup> February the stage coach service from Isleham to Cambridge will no longer be operating. Cllr Powley will take up this matter and the clerk will write to MP James Paice.

Clerk

**10/211 ALLOTMENT MATTERS**

- a) The council was reminded of the meeting to be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February. It was proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Baines that £20 from the Dunstall charity account is used to purchase refreshments for the meeting.

Clerk

CARRIED

**10/212 WASH MATTERS**

- a) The EA have funding in place to provide the kissing gate which will be installed shortly.

Clerk

**10/213 PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) 09/00963/LBC Minor amendment to previously permitted application 08/00411/LBC;- Replace original brick built chimney with a black painted stainless steel flue at 14 West Street Isleham for Crestsign Ltd – no objection.

Clerk  
reply

09/00973/FUL Conservatory to rear, replacement garage, replacement of existing flat roof

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over rear extension with new pitched roof and internal alterations for Mr Ian Waterson at 4 Church Lane, Isleham – additional information – no objection.

b) 09/00871/FUL Construction of extension at 24 Robins Close Isleham for Mr & Mrs Fowell has been approved. noted

c) 09/00899/FUL Construction of first floor rear extension and re-roofing main building at 83 The Causeway, Isleham for Mr Earl has been refused.

**10/214 NATURE RESERVE**

a) A working group met at the nature reserve on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January to continue with maintenance works. A meeting of the group is to be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the village hall (back room).

Access to the nature reserve is very dangerous and there may be a grant available to move it to a more suitable location. The clerk will raise this with Charlotte Lowry at the meeting next week. Clerk

**10/215 MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

That the public (including representatives of the press) be excluded during the consideration of the remaining item No 215 & 216 because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during the item(s) there would be disclosure to them of exempt information of Category 1 & 2 Part 1 Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)

The meeting was closed at 8.38pm.

**10/216 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF EXCLUSION**

a) It was proposed by and seconded by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Mrs Wilkes that the minutes of exclusion are approved as a true record of the business transacted.

CARRIED

**10/217 TO CONSIDER CEMETERY MATTERS**

The meeting reopened at 8.58pm

**10/218 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

a) Monday March 1<sup>st</sup> 2010

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm

1) LGA 1972 s85

2) Dec of Interest Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 Part 2

3) Minutes LGA 1972 Sch 12, para 41(2)