

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
12th JANUARY 2015
AT THE BEECHES**

Those Present; - Cllr Beckett (DB); Cllr Mrs H Thompson (HT); Cllr Mitchell (BM); Mrs P Wilkes (PW); Mrs G Preece (GP); Cllr Radcliffe (RR); Cllr Mrs Malkin (JM); Cllr Neal (LN); Cllr Chaplin (PC); Cllr Patterson (CP) arrived at 7.07pm; Cllr Mrs V Bruyneel-Smith (VBS) arrived at 7.30pm.

Members 11

Quorum 4

Parishioners

The meeting opened at 7pm.

	P	Action
14-15/177 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	1	
None		
14-15/178 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on agenda DB 14-15/173a Planning Applications (E CDC Planning Committee)	2	
14-15/179 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins) As the meeting had an earlier start the open forum was moved to 7.20pm to allow for the later arrival of any parishioners.		
14-15/180 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 1st DECEMBER 2014 It was proposed by RR and seconded by PC that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 st December 2014 are approved and signed.	3	
		CARRIED
14-15/181 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (<i>for information only</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting with the distraction burglary and rogue trader force has not been arranged yet.The Clerk informed the council that postal nominations for prospective councillors will no longer be accepted therefore either the Clerk may be nominated to take in papers or the prospective councillors/candidates must take them in themselves. It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the Clerk is nominated to take the nomination papers into the District Council Offices.		
		CARRIED
14-15/182 POLICE MATTERS a) JM contacted the police this morning about cars tearing up Little London Drove and leaving litter. Drug wrapping that had been found on the recreation ground has been passed to the police.		
14-15/183 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS a) There was no report from the County Councillors. b) DB reported that a £15,000 grant to Dial-a-Ride is to be made on the proviso that a full review of the service is carried out.		
14-15/184 RECREATION GOUND MATTERS a) Nothing to report. b) PC suggested that two or three councillors are nominated to keep an eye on the recreation ground and make decisions about whether the pitches can be played on. DB/PC/CP volunteered for this role.		

c) Work on the Skate Park continues to be delayed until after work on the access road at the back of the building is complete. The deadline for the grant has been extended to March 31st to account for this.

d) CP will get the quotes for the cricket fencing to the Clerk for the next meeting.

14-15/185 PLAY AREA MATTERS

a) There appears to be a problem with the zip wire not running freely. Wicksteed have been contacted and will come out on Tuesday 20th January to investigate the problem.

14-15/186 CEMETERY MATTERS

a) Nothing to Report.

b) It was proposed by PW and seconded by BM that the Exclusive Right of Burial is approved for Stephen Maynard and Ronald Fordyce.

CARRIED

14-15/187 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins)

Mr Chris Maxfield has been to Wisbech to look at plants for the garden area at the back of the centre and along the fence line at the front of the centre. There is a good variety of plants at £2-£3 each (12-24"). Laurel hedging £1 each plant (15") (All in pots). The Council will consider this under ICA matters.

Mrs Jean Winters complained about speeding vehicles in the village – Station Road/Fordham Road/Mill Street and Malting Lane. The council will write to the police about this.

14-15/188 ICA REPORT

- a)
- Volunteers are still needed as the management team has been reduced to about 6 people.
 - A meeting has been arranged for 19th January at 7.15pm to discuss the opening of the Centre.
 - A fundraising event has been arranged on 2nd May - VE Day party.
 - The snagging should take place the week beginning 26th January.
 - There is still no news on the grant for the stage curtains.
 - Notice board/Railings still need to be done.

It was proposed by RR and seconded by PC that the Lightning Test should be carried out by Sentinel.

CARRIED

VBS arrived at 7.30pm

It was proposed by PC and seconded by RR that three councillors (PC/JM/RR) will meet with Mr Maxfield to discuss the position of the plants required for the garden with a budget of £250 to purchase the plants.

CARRIED

b) There has been a hold up on re-instating the roadway while the correct infill material is sought. It is hoped that work will be carried out the week beginning 26th January.

14-15/189 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) It was proposed by PW and seconded by RR that the December bank reconciliation is approved.

Noted

CARRIED

It was proposed by PW and seconded RR by that the petty cash reconciliation is approved.

CARRIED

b) It was proposed by RR and seconded by GP that the January Accounts are approved

Clerk

and paid.

Salaries £2383.30

Tax & NI £530.36

Other Expenditure £10,950.58

Petty Cash £61.50

Total: £13,925.74

CARRIED

The cheques were signed by Cllr Chaplin and Cllr Radcliffe

- c) NALC/SLCC have agreed a 2.2% increase for Parish Clerks from 1st January 2015 to March 2016.

14-15/190 QUALITY STATUS

It was proposed by PW and seconded by JM that the Council reapply for Quality Status by the end of January 2015.

CARRIED

14-15/191 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

- a)
- There has been no reply from the Highways Department regarding the JFMHI
 - A letter has not yet been sent to Highways about the recent footpaths meeting.
 - The repair done at the front of the Social Centre
 - JM reported that the footpaths are covered in litter and suggested perhaps we could have a litter pick around Easter time.

Clerk

A letter has been received from Christopher Goodwins about collecting rubbish in the village. Unfortunately most of the rubbish bins are locked and so he is unable to put rubbish in them. PC/RR/JM bags agreed that rubbish bags could be dropped at their homes for collection with their own rubbish.

JM/GP and VBS will arrange a date for a village litter pick and put the date in the Informer.

A complaint has again been received about the state of the bungalow on The Pound.

- b) Keeley Russell from Balfour Beatty is to attend the February meeting to discuss the replacement street lighting.

14-15/192 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a) Weekly Highlights sent to Councillors by email.
- b) The Dial-a-Ride AGM is to be held at Witchford Village Hall at 11am Tuesday 17th February. PW and HT will attend on behalf of the Council.

Noted

14-15/193 ALLOTMENT MATTERS

- a) Nothing to report.
- b) According to the British Weights and Measures Association there is no need to change the measurement of allotments from rods to metric.

Clerk

14-15/194 ORCHARD MATTERS

Concrete benches have been installed at the Orchard. The benches were supplied by JKH Drainage Units, installed by SP Landscapes and the lettering was done by Mildenhall Monumentals. Letters of thanks will be sent to each of the companies.

The Houses adjacent to the orchard are parking in front of the allotment and are using the entrance as a turning circle. Some replacement posts are needed on the drove to prevent this.

14-15/195 WASH MATTERS

It was proposed by PC and seconded by JM that the fishing rights are offered to the Lark Angling Society at an annual charge of £300.

CARRIED

14-15/196 PLANNING MATTERS

a) **Planning Applications**

14/01365/FUL Garage conversion and separate cart lodge at Poppies, 23 Prickwillow Road, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Mesher – no objection

14/01344/FUL Two storey extension, single storey extensions and cart shed garage at 10 Little London, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Flynn – no objection

14/01345/LBC Two storey extension, single storey extensions and cart shed garage at 10 Little London, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Flynn – no objection

14/01336/FUL Remove existing single storey extension and replace with a two storey extension which incorporates existing outbuilding at 14 Pound Lane, Isleham for Mr Jamie Stevens – The Council wish to object on the grounds that it is gross over development of the site leaving no garden. As this is being turned into a family home there could potentially be 2-3 cars and there is not sufficient space for parking.

b) **Planning Approvals**

Noted

14/01093/FUL Single and two storey extension to rear and erection of new separate garage at 10 Station Road, Isleham for Mr & Mrs M Frost

14/00966/FUL New Conservatory at 33 Waterside, Isleham for Mrs Beckett

14/01187/VAR To vary conditions 4 & 12 (Parking and turning area) of previously approved 12/00398/FUL for construction of 3 dwellings with garaging and separate garage for No 27 Sun Street at GF Harvey Builders Ltd

14/01104/FUL Demolition of Existing Conservatory & Erection of New Single Storey Lean-to Rear Extension at 8 Pound Lane, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Dale Clarke

14/00935/FUL Retrospective application to extend existing cold-room at the rear of the store, relocate condenser units and for the shop-front frames to be sprayed traffic grey b Matt finish RAL 7043 at Co-Operative Retail Services Ltd 2 West Street, Isleham for the Co-Operative Group

c) **Other Planning Matters**

14/01018/CLP Siting of a mobile home within curtilage of dwelling at The Oasis 21 Prickwillow Road, Isleham for Mr Stephen Peers (Appeal)

14/01181/TRE & Trees/Isleham/CA Tree Work Approval at 19 The Causeway, Isleham TPO/E/03/71Isleham & 14/01304/TPO Consent for Tree Works at 54 & 56 West Street, Isleham

Schedule of certification of street numbering – removal of property name (Botany Bay)

14-15/197 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

a) Monday 2nd February 2015

Monday 2nd March 2015

Monday 13th April 2015

14-15/198 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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

The house on the corner of Church Lane (ECDC)

Does anyone know what is happening to the garage site?

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.37pm

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)

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mrs Diane Bayliss
Chairman: Mr Derrick Beckett

Signed:
Chairman
Date: