

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
11th JANUARY 2016
AT THE BEECHES**

Those Present; - Cllr Beckett (DB); Cllr Radcliffe (RR); Cllr Mrs V Bruyneel-Smith; (VBS); Cllr Mrs J Malkin (JM); Cllr Mitchell (BM); Cllr Patterson (CP); Cllr Wightman (LW);

Members 11

Quorum 4

Temporary Clerk Jeanette Borderick

2 Parishioners

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

P Action

15-16/172 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

C Cllr Palmer; C Cllr Shumann; Cllr Mrs P Wilkes(PW); Cllr Mrs G Preece(GP).

15-16/173 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on agenda

None.

15-16/174 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins)

None.

15-16/175 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 7TH DECEMBER 2015

It was proposed by RR and seconded by JM that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2015 are approved and signed.

VBS entered the room at 7.20pm

Carried

15-16/176 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (*for information only*)

None

RR reported:

The Community Facilities Audit by ECDC identifies that The Beeches is scored Excellent as a Community Facility. The Audit identifies the issues faced by facilities within the District which highlight the issues of revenue generation and ensuring sufficient funds are available for current and future maintenance. ECDC has developed an Action Plan with 4 points.

- To assist in securing funding and support for the Management Committees.
- Encourage and promote use of the facilities.
- Inform Parish Councils of priorities and for the use of CIL monies.
- Raise awareness.

15-16/177 POLICE MATTERS

BM has received complaints from parishioners about speeding.

It was suggested that a notice is put on Isleham News requesting specifics.

Details should be reported to police as IPC do not have authority to deal with this.

15-16/178 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS

No County Councillor present.

DB reported:

- District Council-Local Trading Company has been set up to build affordable housing

- District Council-Draft local plan being rewritten as original not fit for purpose. It will be out shortly for consultation.
- 3 Consultations. Parish council can look at sites and give feedback.
- Council is pushing CLT to build affordable housing.

15-16/179 RECREATION GROUND MATTERS

- a) It has been reported that football has been cancelled due to ground condition-too wet.
- b) It was proposed by RR and seconded by BM that the Youth Football Annual Festival is held on the 14th and 15th May 2016.

Carried

JM raised concern that charges were made for cars to be parked. Marco Caffarelli stated that the Football Club had made donations to The Beeches from the money raised.

15-16/180 PLAY AREA/SKATE PARK/MUGA

- a) The MUGA is now locked at weekends.
- b) Youth Football have hired a machine to clean the MUGA at their own expense-No charge to IPC. The cleaning of the MUGA which will take 3-4 days is in progress.
- c) It is to be investigated how the MUGA carpet was manufactured and if IPC were advised of a maintenance plan.
- d) Youth Football will report back to IPC the time and cost involved in cleaning and maintaining the carpet.
- e) It was noted that IPC are pleased with the work that Youth Football have undertaken.
- f) VBS suggested that IPC need a plan in place to maintain the MUGA carpet as it is not feasible to rely on Youth Football to do the work
- g) DB stated that Youth Football do put money back into Isleham village.
- h) RR suggested that the Recreation Ground Working Group should look at MUGA when all the cleaning work has been completed.
- i) CP asked about the condition of Fordham's football ground. It was advised by Marco Caffarelli that the condition was worse than Isleham's.
- j) It was reported that the light beside the MUGA has been repaired and is now working.
- k) RR asked the price to buy a cleaning machine for the MUGA. Marco Caffarelli stated that they cost between £1K and £1.5K.

15-16/181 CEMETERY AND CHURCHYARD MATTERS

- a) Tim Wilding stated that the beech tree in the old cemetery requires maintaining. 3 quotes are required to undertake the work.
- b) The chalk bin requires emptying

15-16/182 ICA REPORT/THE BEECHES

- a) A quiz night is to be held in January to promote The Beeches.
- b) DB stated that the gas bill is still being investigated and he needs to speak to Murfitts.
- c) ICA is running in deficit due to the outstanding gas bill and the cost of outside lighting.
- d) DB will speak to CPALC to enquire if the car park needs to be lit. Do we have a duty of care? Lights are to be replaced with LED.
- e) Garden lights are on a sensor and are usually off.
- f) John Brown will check that we are receiving correct money for solar panels. The electricity cost for daylight hours is low.
- g) The New Year's Eve party was well supported. However, costs for entertainment were very high-even after negotiating discounts.
- h) BM stated that lights at The Beeches were on at 5.15am.
- i) BM advised that The Beeches sign on the building is not clear and easy to see. He was advised that permission has been granted to illuminate the sign when funds allow.

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- j) CP advised DataConnectivity is to be transferred to the Isleham Village Website.
Amended to CP advised Isleham Informer documentation on existing website to be transferred to Isleham Village website before renewal date.
- k) GP asked JM to raise a query. IPC is paying for 24 pages in the Isleham Informer . We usually only use 20. DB stated that we are able to have up to this number with no additional costs. If we only paid for 20 pages and went over that number there would be an expensive premium to pay.

15-16/183 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) To approve Bank Reconciliations for November
 RR proposed and LW seconded.

CARRIED

- b) To pay January accounts
 RR proposed and BM seconded.

CARRIED

The cheques were signed by RR and CP

Cheque No;	Payee	Item	Net	VAT	Total	Power
<u>Payments made since the last meeting</u>						
BACS	Staff	December Salaries	£2313.33	£0.00	£2313.33	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
300093	Petty Cash	Replace cheque 300090-Cancelled	£41.84	£0.00`	£41.84	LG Finance Act 1992 s50
DDR	BT	Telephone	£128.16	£25.63	£153.79	LGA 1972 ss50
<u>Payments for Tonight's meeting:</u>						
300094	HMRC	Tax & NI	£441.22	£0.00	£441.22	LGA 1972 s112
300095	Anglian Water	Utilities	£30.91	£0.00	£30.91	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
300096	Veolia	Hire of Easi-Bin	£171.90	£34.38	£206.28	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
300097	R Sheldrick	Cut Recreation Ground	£127.50	£0.00	£127.50	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
300098	SP Landscapes	Grass Cutting	£70.00	£14.00	£84.00	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
300099	Bussen & Parkin	Chain & Padlock	£26.74	£5.35	£32.09	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
300100	Gipping Press	Printing Informer	£455.94	£0.00	£455.94	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19 (d)
300101	ICA	Sound Panels	£198.00	£39.60	£237.60	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19 (d)
300102	G & J Peck	Sundries	£8.02	£1.60	£9.62	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214

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300103	Cambridgeshire County Council	Grit Bin	£95.00	£19.00	£114.00	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
300104	DataConnectivity	Web Site	£95.00	£19.00	£114.00	LGA 1972 s112
			£4203.56	£158.56	£4362.12	

15-16/184 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

- a) BM reported 2 street lights are not working:
- One on Priory Green.
 - One on Sun Street between The Sun and the former Post Office.
- b) JM reported:
- Blocked drain in front of Co-Op resulting in a pool of water.
 - The car park at Jubilee Close has flooded. DB advised JM that the car park is private land and IPC cannot intervene. Parishioner was concerned that her property would flood.

15-16/185 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a) No weekly Highlights at present.
- b) Letter from Lucy Frazer QC MP advising Housing Association are extending Right to Buy. CLT will now not have to offer this.
- c) Letter received requesting additional inscription on gravestone of Joyce Violet Stachniczk (nee Beckett). Noted
- d) Total Transport letter and user survey request received. RR to action.
- e) Veolia have notified us of a 23p per day increase in tariff.

15-16/186 ALLOTMENT MATTERS

- a) None.
- b) DB reminded everyone of meeting on 25th January 2016 at 7.30pm

15-16/187 ORCHARD MATTERS

- a) None.

15-16/188 WASH MATTERS

- a) DB reminded everyone of meeting on 25th January 2016 at 7.30pm.

15-16/189 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) **Planning Applications** Noted
- 15/01394/FUL Replacement Building 31 East Road Isleham. Mr S Beavis
 Objected
- New building should not reduce sight line of Bowers Lane/East Road junction.
 - Very dangerous corner. Would be better if sight line was improved.
 - Building would be better sited further back from East Road.
- 15/01453/FUL Replacement Dwelling 22 Little London Isleham. Mr Richard Turner-no objections.
- b) **Planning Approvals** Noted
- 15/01017/FUL Erection of two storey building, following demolition of the barn. Mr Colin Ellwood.
- 15/01121/FUL Four bedroom dwelling. Mr Derrick Beckett.

15/01246/FUL External wall insulation to front, side and back. 19 Station Road Isleham.
Mrs Samantha Spillane.
15/01379/FUL Rear Extension and internal alterations with replacement garage. 44 West
Street Isleham. Mr Joshua Warden.

c) **Other Planning Matters**

Noted

15/01401/TRE Tree work approval at 17 The Pits Isleham, Mr Ayers.

15-16/190 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

1st February 2016

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

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)

15-16/191 MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Proposed by RR seconded by LW

CARRIED

Members of the public asked to leave. Meeting closed at 8.50pm

15-16/192 STAFF ISSUES

Report on position of clerk and temporary clerk.

Meeting re-opened and closed at 8.55pm

Signed:

Chairman

Date: