

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

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY 2nd July 2012
IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Those Present;- Cllr Beckett (DB); Cllr Mrs Wilkes (PW); Cllr Mrs R Thompson (RT); Cllr Patterson; (CP) P Action
 Cllr Mrs Malkin (JM); Cllr Neal (LN); Cllr Mrs H Thompson (HT); Cllr Paul Chaplin (PC); Cllr Bruyneel- O
 Smith (VBS); E
 Clerk: Mrs D Bayliss r

Members 11 Quorum 4
 1 Parishioner

12-13/56 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 1

C Cllr Palmer;

12-13/57 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on agenda 2

None

DB requested that it be recorded that he is also a member of the planning committee at ECDC and although he will take part in the discussions any comments made may be subject to change when he is presented with all the facts at District level and do not constitute a pre-determination of any matter.

12-13/58 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 4

CS – representing Isleham Football Club asked if the council had any information on the start of the community centre because it may have an impact on laying out the football pitch in the autumn.

VBS arrived at 7.19pm

12-13/59 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 11th JUNE 2012 5

It was proposed by PW and seconded by RT that the minutes including the minutes of exclusion of the meeting held on 11th June are approved and signed.

CARRIED

12-13/60 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (*for information only*)

- Mr Earl is still willing to repair the coping stones on the war memorial

12-13/61 CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

a) It was proposed by PW and seconded by HT that Richard Radcliffe is co-opted to the Council.

CARRIED

It was proposed by LN and seconded by CP that Robert Mitchell is co-opted to the Council.

CARRIED

12-13/62 TO APPOINT NEW WORKING PARTY REPRESENTATIVES

a) Richard Radcliffe: Finance; Parish Plan; Environment/P3

Bob Mitchell: Cemetery; Recreation Ground; Wash

12-13/63 POLICE MATTERS

a) No official police report has been received.

- There has been a theft of four upright posts from recreation ground car park

b) The Neighbourhood Panel meeting was attended by JM and HT

- Cllr Beckett was reinstated as chairman of the panel in his absence
- A police and crime commissioner will be elected in November 2012 one for the whole of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough
- EMR Snailwell have been informed they need to provide a barrier against the noise; placing containers around the edge of the site
- Proposed changes to the waste collection service include the introduction of wheelie bins to the district
- Shape your place is a website which the panel are encouraging people to use to report/raise any issues of concern – Ely has its own pages;

Issues raised from the parish included parking outside the co-op, speeding, the tarmac on

Noted

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the corner of Knaves Acre Drove. The meeting is not very well attended more members of the public would be welcome.

12-13/64 RECREATION GROUND MATTERS

- a) Palmers were asked to replace the four stolen posts and repair the fencing at the side of the village hall car park. Clerk
- b) A recreation ground Working Party meeting was arranged for Wednesday 11th July at 3.30pm. Clerk
- c) ECDC will be holding their activities the first week of the holidays. There is no further information at the moment. Clerk

12-13/65 ICA REPORT

- a) Following further site investigations into the trenches that were recently opened it has been discovered that the topsoil is deeper than originally expected which makes it likely that an excavation by the archaeology team will be unavoidable. A meeting has been arranged for 18th July at CCC to discuss this further.
- b) Provisional grant offers have been received from Sport England and the Football Foundation
- c) It was agreed that the Chairman Philip Aspland and the Clerk should attend a meeting with Nicholas Hancox Solicitors to discuss the Lease for the new community centre. It was also agreed that further VAT advice will be sought from Peters Elworthy and Moore.

12-13/66 CEMETERY & CHURCHYARD MATTERS

- a)
 - It was agreed that the self sown holly hedge in the new cemetery will be removed Clerk
 - It was agreed that Barcham Trees should come and look at the London Plane in the old cemetery as it is not looking very healthy
 - Progress is being made on the cemetery mapping by Pear Technology and the Clerk

12-13/67 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS

- a) Knaves Acre Drove -
Street Lighting Briefing – 12-13/69b)
- b)
 - As a result of discussions between the District and County Council regarding the provision of a new school in Isleham the County Council are withdrawing their application to build on the Three Tree Site. In order for a new school to be built it would require 180 new houses to be built in the village and there is not sufficient land available in Isleham to fulfil this requirement.
 - At the Development and Transport meeting on Tuesday 3rd July there will be a proposal for gypsy caravan site on Fordham Road for 6 caravans.
 - It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the council vehemently oppose any more travellers sites in Isleham, the one we already have is under-subscribed and it is a Greenfield site.
 - An amendment was proposed by RR and seconded by RT that the wording of the original proposal is changed to say that the council oppose any more travellers sites in Isleham as the existing sites are under occupied and there is no evidence of further need and the proposed site is a Greenfield site.

The Amendment was CARRIED

 - The Standards Committee has been abolished. ECDC have drawn up a model Code of Conduct which will be considered at full Council on 26th July. The main changes that affect councillors are that 12(2) will no longer apply.
 - If you have any pecuniary interest you will have to leave the meeting without taking part
 - If you break the code for a non pecuniary interest there is little recourse; however failure to declare a pecuniary interest will be a criminal offence
 - CAPALC are advising Parish Councils to adopt the District Council model
 - There will be a requirement for the register of interest form to be published on the website
 - New forms will need to be filled out by all councillors

12-13/68 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

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a) It was proposed by LN and seconded by RR that the June Bank Reconciliation is approved. Noted

CARRIED

b) It was proposed by HT and seconded by RR that the July Accounts are approved and paid. Clerk

Salaries £1927.97

Tax & NI £469.60

Other Expenditure £7,057.27

Petty Cash £39.94

Total: £9494.78

The payment to Running imp made last month (cheque no: has been cancelled as it did not include VAT.

The cheques were signed by Cllr Chaplin and Cllr Beckett and the Clerk

c) A Finance Working Party meeting will be held on Monday 9th July at 7.30pm; all councillors are invited to attend.

12-13/69 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

a)

- The picket fencing has been removed from the grass verge on Waterside and bollards have been placed on the verge outside the houses by County Highways

Clerk

b)

- It was proposed by RT and seconded by RR that the council write to the resident of Hall Barn Road stating that the Council have considered his request to move the dog waste bin but think it best serves the community where it is currently situated. PC abstained from the vote.

CARRIED

c)

- It was agreed that following the clerks meeting with SP Landscapes that the Environment/P3 Working Party will meet to look at the grass cutting maps before the contract comes up for renewal next year
- The grass needs cutting around the bottle bank and ECDC need to be informed that it has not been emptied and there are bottles collecting around it.

12-13/70 WASH MATTERS

a)

- Work still needs to be completed on the slip-way

DB

12-13/71 ALLOTMENT MATTERS

a)

- The padlock has been replaced and welded onto the gate
- The over-grown plots have been cleared
- Another sign will be made for the Three Tree Site and the original one will be put back on the Dunstall Site
- The grass on the Three Tree allotment site will be cut after 31st July
- The hedge on Three Tree needs to be cut back. If the County Council won't cut it then quotations for the work will be sought

Clerk

12-13/72 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

a) Weekly highlights have been forwarded to councillors by email. Noted

12-13/73 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Applications

12/00456/VAR Loft conversion, side extension and internal alterations at 26 Hall Barn Road for Mr & Mrs Marks – no objection

Planning Approvals

12/00264/FUL Proposed 4no bedroom detached 1 ½ storey dwelling and extension to existing clunch outbuilding at 44 East Fen Road, Isleham for Ms L Alderson

Tree Work approval for 5 Robins Close, Isleham

Other Planning Matters

Letter from Mrs Clarke re Isleham Vision

Noted

Noted

12-13/74 ANNUAL REPORT

a) It was proposed by CP and seconded by HT that the annual report is included as a four page article in the Informer.

CARRIED

12-13/75 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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- a) A Planning meeting will be called when we have more details about the lease agreement for discussion.

Parish Plan Wednesday 18th July 2pm

6th August 7.15pm (apologies RT & LN)

12-13/76 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

No matters were raised for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting. DB reminded Councillors to notify the Clerk of any business and payments at least 7 days before the next meeting.

- a) There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.29pm

- 1) LGA 1972 s85
- 2) Dec of Interest Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 Part 2
- 3) Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960
- 4) Model Code of Conduct s 12 (2)
- 5) Minutes LGA 1972 Sch 12, para 41(2)

Signed:

Chairman

Date: