

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL  
**Clerk: Mrs Diane Bayliss**  
**Chairman: Mr Derrick Beckett**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD**  
**MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2011**  
**IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Those Present;-** Cllr Beckett (DB) Cllr Mrs H Thompson (HT), Cllr Mrs Malkin (JM) Cllr Baines (SB), Cllr P Action  
Mrs Wilkes (PW), Mrs R Thompson (RT), Cllr Neal (LN), Cllr Earl (ME), o  
Clerk: Mrs D Bayliss w  
Members 11 Quorum 4 e  
6 Parishioners: r

**10-11/236 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** 1  
Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Garbett (P); Cllr Mrs Hobbs (P); Cllr Carter (P); C Cllr Powley; C Cllr Palmer;

**10-11/237 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST** for items on agenda 2  
SB 254a) Planning Applications(Prejudicial)  
DB 254a) Planning Applications (Prejudicial)  
Cllr Beckett also expressed a personal interest in 254a) as he is a member of ECDC Planning Committee.

**10-11/238 FORWARD PLANNING**  
A presentation was made by Katie Child and Brendan Troy from ECDC regarding a new Village Plan for Isleham.

**10-11/239 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
Mr Cox raised the matter of the cars being parked on the bend in front of the Priory.  
Mr Boneham addressed the Council about the Youth Football Festival to be held in May.

**10-11/240 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2011** 3  
It was proposed by SB and seconded by PW that the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2011 are approved as a true record of the business transacted and signed by the Chairman.

CARRIED

The meeting was suspended from 7.52pm – 7.55pm in order that the electricity supply might be restored in the main hall.

**10-11/241 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (*for information only*)**  

- The Play Area Inspection has not yet been carried out
- The Clerk will be on holiday from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

**10-11/242 POLICE MATTERS**  
a) The police report for February was read to the Council. Noted

**10-11/243 VILLAGE HALL MATTERS**  
a) The flat roof on the front of the hall has been repaired in line with Financial Regulation 3.4 (Budgetary Control) at a cost of £850.  
The heater in the gentleman’s toilets also needs to be repaired; a new part has been ordered.

**10-11/244 RECREATION GROUND MATTERS**  
a) 

- The new trees are in place
- It was proposed by PW and seconded by RT that a price is not sought at the moment for levelling the recreation ground.

CARRIED

b) It was agreed that the Youth Football Club can put additional toilets on the recreation ground for the football festival to be held on 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> May 2011. It was agreed that JM, DB and ME would inspect the recreation ground nearer the time to see if it would be in a suitable condition to allow car parking for the event. Clerk

c) The Clerk attended a meeting of the Isleham Community Skate-park Group and reported that the group have opened a bank account; the first company is coming out to quote on 22<sup>nd</sup> March and that the committee will liaise with the ICA regarding grant seeking.

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**10-11/245**

**ICA REPORT**

- a) A meeting has been held with the Architect and the QS. Final amendments to the plans have been agreed and drawings are to be drawn up so that the project might be put out to tender. DB/ICA
- b) It was agreed that SB and RT will meet to discuss the details of any lease agreement which is to be put in place with the ICA. It was agreed in principal to lease the centre to the ICA however this will need to be ratified at a later date once the lease documents have been properly considered. SB/RT

**10-11/246**

**CEMETERY AND CHURCHYARD MATTERS**

- a) It was proposed by PW and seconded by SB that the purchase of exclusive right of burial is approved for Donald Wells.

CARRIED

It was agreed that the oak bench that was in the old cemetery will be kept in the cemetery shed (after restoration by Sid) until the new community centre is built when it will be sited on the recreation ground or in the garden area.

It was proposed by JM and seconded by PW that a London Plane tree is purchased for the Old Cemetery to replace the Beech due to resistance to the Ustulina Deusta Fungus.

CARRIED

**10-11/247**

**COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS**

- a) There was no report from the County Council.  
A negative verbal response was received from the County Council regarding the plans for a new school for the village however the matter will continue to be pursued.
- b) At the full council meeting the decision was made to change the committee structure with one main policy and resources committee handling most decisions with sub-committees handling community services, development and transport and environment reporting to policy and resources.

**10-11/248**

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) It was proposed by SB and seconded by PW that the February Bank Reconciliation is approved.

Cllr Earl abstained from the vote as he was without his glasses.

CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by SB and seconded by RT that the March Accounts are approved and paid. Clerk
- Salaries £1653.51  
Tax & NI £414.50  
Other Expenditure £6786.50  
Petty Cash £19.02  
Total Expenditure £8873.53  
Cllr Earl abstained from the vote as he was without his glasses.

CARRIED

- c) The cheques were signed by Cllr Baines, Cllr Beckett and the Clerk.  
Veolia price change notification - Landfill Tax will increase from 1<sup>st</sup> April by £8 per tonne to £56 per tonne. (This equates to 30p per day for the cemetery bin) Noted

- d) Shell Gas a price increase of 5p per litre with immediate effect. Noted

- e) It was proposed by SB and seconded by ME that the Clerk attends the SLCC Regional Conference on 29<sup>th</sup> March at Hatfield.

CARRIED

**10-11/249**

**TO APPROVE REVIEW OF RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY, HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

Following a review by the Clerk and SB there were no amendments made to the Risk Management or Health & Safety Policies. Clerk

It was proposed by SB and seconded by DB that the amendments to the Financial Regulations are approved as outlined by Cllr Baines.

CARRIED

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- 10-11/250 PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**  
a) The Parish Council election is to be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011.
- 10-11/251 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS**  
a) County Highways have confirmed that the Parish Council would not be responsible should there be an accident on the footpath outside no 2 Church Lane. Clerk  
A SWAT ticket has been raised to place some road planings in the verges on Waterside.  
Budgets allowing in the new financial year the kerbs and footway outside no 34 Beck Road will be raised. If the parish council wish to have anything more substantial done they should contact Gavin Wiseman or Kevin Hall at the County Council. It was agreed that the PC would approach the County Council with a view to possibly having a railing along the road and that Beck Road is added to the gritting network.  
PW will ask the school for a letter asking the PC to support their application for a railing on Malting Lane, under the new localism agenda it may be possible to source the work locally and get it approved by the County Council keeping the cost down.  
b) It was agreed that an advert shall be placed in the Informer and on the Notice Board advertising for a litter collector for 5 hours per week at £7 per hour. Clerk  
Small maintenance jobs will continue to be carried out by Mr Cox and Mr Wilding.
- 10-11/252 ALLOTMENT MATTERS**  
a) It was proposed by PW and seconded by RT that the quotation from T Wilding for £1200 to upgrade the allotment roadway is approved. The limestone chippings will be ordered at a cost of £10 per tonne. Clerk  

CARRIED

  
b) In an amendment to the previous approval for Mr Willoughby to keep a pony on the Dunstall Allotment it was agreed that the rent until October 2011 will be £64 for 80 rod in line with current allotment rents allowing time for the grass to be established and the area fenced. Clerk
- 10-11/253 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**  
a) Weekly highlights with links to ECDC meetings have been sent to Councillors by email Noted  
b) Letter from Ely CAB Noted  
c) Inspire East News Noted
- 10-11/254 PLANNING MATTERS**  
a) Planning Applications Clerk  
11/00103/FUL Replacement of existing bungalow with a two storey dwelling at 10 East Fen Road, Isleham for G Bruyneel  
DB left the meeting at 10.20pm  
SB addressed the meeting regarding this application then left the meeting at 10.22pm  
It was resolved to object to the application as the Council is still very concerned about the size of the footprint of this property which is bigger than the last application. The building is almost to the perimeter of the land and is out of keeping with the area.  
DB & SB returned to the meeting at 10.25pm.  
b) Other Planning Matters Noted  
Notice has been received that the planning applications 10/01013/FUL and 10/01014/LBC Barn Conversion at 18 Little London Isleham for Mr Tim Drayton has been withdrawn.  
Street Naming and Numbering – Approval for Orchard Close has been given by ECDC
- 10-11/255 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March. The meeting notices will be posted on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Clerk
- 10-11/256 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011
- 10-11/257 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**  
Boundary Consultation Responses  
There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.34pm

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- 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)

**Signed:** .....

**Chairman**

**Date:** .....