

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mrs Diane Bayliss
Chairman: Mr Derrick Beckett
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MONDAY 4th OCTOBER 2010
IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Those Present;- Cllr Beckett (DB) Cllr Neal (LN), Cllr Mrs H Thompson (HT), Cllr Carter (TC), Cllr Mrs Malkin (JM) Cllr Mrs R Thompson (RT), Cllr Baines (SB), Cllr Garbett (GG) arrived at 7.30pm
Clerk: Mrs D Bayliss
County Councillor Powley
Members 11 Quorum 4
2 Parishioners:

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10-11/137 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 1

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Mrs Wilkes (P); Cllr Mrs Hobbs (P); Cllr Earl (W); C Cllr Powley; C Cllr Palmer; Cllr Garbett apologised because he would be late arriving.

10-11/138 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on agenda 2

TC 10-11/144 (Prejudicial)and 10-11/148
DB; SB; RT; HT 10-11/148

Cllr Beckett 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.

10-11/139 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Cox addressed the Council about the dial-a-ride service as a lady from West Street has been turned away three times as the bus is already full. The Council will contact ESDAR about this and report back to a future meeting.

There is also some uncertainty about the pickup points for the bus to Newmarket on a Tuesday. County Council are responsible for this service and the Council will contact them to clarify this.

Clerk

10-11/140 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 6th SEPTEMBER 2010 3

It was proposed by SB and seconded by TC that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th September are approved as a true record of the business transacted and signed by the Chairman.

CARRIED

10-11/141 MATTERS ARISING (*for information only*)/CLERKS REPORT

There were no matters arising which are not already specified on the agenda.

10-11/142 POLICE MATTERS

a) The police report for September was read and noted by the Councillors.

A neighbourhood Panel meeting is to be held on Tuesday 5th October at Beechurst Hall SVC.

noted

10-11/143 ISLEHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

b) PW attended a governors meeting on Thursday 23rd September.

LN is no longer a school governor however he was not appointed by the Parish Council but by the County Council therefore they will need to appoint another representative.

The school have received a visit from Ian Trafford of the County Council to discuss the possibility of more affordable housing in the village and what impact that would have on the school. Concern was raised that the School is already full however it was suggested that portable classrooms might well be the answer to cater for any increase in numbers.

The final matter raised was regarding a new safety barrier for outside the school which would cost approximately £6,000. The County Council do not have the funding for this and suggested that the PC might be able to contribute however it is not currently within the powers of the PC to contribute to the cost of this work.

10-11/144 ICA

a) The next meeting of the ICA management committee will be held on Tuesday 26th October at 7.30pm.

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- b) It was proposed by LN and seconded by SB that TC is appointed to the ICA Management Committee as a representative of the Parish Council.

CARRIED

- c) As it is likely that the electricity supply to the new Astro-Turf is unlikely to be connected before Christmas it was proposed by LN and seconded by SB that the Council make enquiries into the possibility of a generator for the temporary supply of electricity to the new MUGA.

Clerk
DB

CARRIED

- d) It was proposed by TC and seconded by JM that this matter is moved under the exclusion order later in the meeting.

CARRIED

GG arrived at 7.30pm.

10-11/145

VILLAGE HALL MATTERS

- a) A meeting of the village hall committee was held on Wednesday 22nd September. There were no major issues to report.

Signs will be put up in the hall asking all users to make sure that the lights are switched off before they vacate the building.

Clerk

- b) There has been a further occurrence of the village hall electricity supply cutting out. JM will speak to Mr Rampley about this and also ask him whether he would be willing to take on the ongoing electricity maintenance in the hall.

JM

10-11/146

RECREATION GROUND MATTERS

- a) Work on the new MUGA is progressing well and should be completed within the next couple of weeks.

There have been continuing problems with the tractor fuel system and Palmers will be carrying out some further maintenance work on this with a view to rectifying the problem.

Ray/DB

- b) Quotations for levelling and reseeding the site of the AWSA will be requested from Tim Wilding, Les Rolfe and Martin Thompson.

Clerk

- c) It was proposed by GG and seconded by SB that the quotation for repairs to the slide from Tim Wilding is approved and that the parts are ordered from Wicksteed.

Clerk

CARRIED

It was proposed by SB and seconded by LN that the quotation for repairs to the wet pour from Tim Wilding is approved and that the repair kits are ordered from Wicksteed.

CARRIED

- d) It was proposed by SB and seconded by TC that the trees which are to be ordered by JM will be planted and maintained by SP Landscapes. (Maximum spend of £1300).

CARRIED

- e) It was proposed by LN and seconded by HT that the Council approve the request by Bloor Homes to put a sales cabin on the recreation ground at a cost of £500 per month and until no later than 20th June 2011.

6 in favour

3 against

CARRIED

10-11/147

CEMETERY & CHURCHYARD MATTERS

- a) Sadly the southernmost Beech in the Cemetery has a fungus (ustilina) which will have destroyed the root system and therefore needs to be removed within 3 months. Permission to remove the tree will be requested from ECDC and quotations will be requested from J V Waugh; Acacia Tree Surgery; SP Landscapes and Urban Forestry.

Clerk

- b) It was proposed by GG and seconded by TC that the 4 remaining limes in the cemetery are crown reduced to bring them into line with those which have just been done.

Clerk

7 in favour

2 against

CARRIED

10-11/148

TO REVIEW CHARITY TRUSTEES

- a) It was proposed by GG and seconded by SB that Derrick Beckett is reappointed to the Fen or

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Fifty Charity for a further four years.

CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by RT and seconded by HT that Derrick Beckett, Steven Baines and Terry Carter are reappointed to the Deborah Fletcher for a further four years.

CARRIED

10-11/149 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a) ECDC Agendas & Decision Lists

noted

- b) Littleport Masterplan

noted

10-11/150 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) The mobile library timetable has been altered to include a visit on a Friday morning.

noted

- b) A letter has been received from Stephen Moir re the boundary review at the Marina. The matter will be considered and a full response will be sent once all the issues have been considered.

noted

- c) CCC Integrated Youth Support Services Information passed to TC for perusal.

noted

- d) Notice has been received of a rent review to be carried out for the Three Tree site at Michaelmas 2011.

noted

10-11/151 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS

- a) There was no report from the County Council.

- b) There was nothing to report from the District Council.

10-11/152 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

CARRIED

- b) It was proposed by GG and seconded by LN that the October Accounts are approved and paid.

Clerk

Salaries £ 1616.47

Tax & NI £368.95

Other Expenditure £27,175.98

Petty Cash £25.71

Total Expenditure £29,187.11

CARRIED

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

- c) It was proposed by SB and seconded by GG that the increase in the minimum wage from £5.80 to £5.93 per hour is approved.

CARRIED

- d) The sale of the cemetery land to Bloor Homes was completed on Thursday 30th September and the funds have been deposited in the Abbey Reserve Account.

10-11/153 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

- a) A correspondence has been received from the County Council outlining a new feature on their website 'Route of the Month'. Information about the link from the County Councils website is available and will be posted on the notice board.

- b) The white lines at the junction with the Marina/Fen Bank Road had been covered up in the recent resurfacing of the road however they have since been reinstated.

Clerk

- c) It was proposed by SB and seconded by GG that the quotation from Tim Wilding for remedial works to the footpaths is approved.

CARRIED

10-11/154 ALLOTMENT MATTERS

- a) All items covered under b) and c).

- b) The allotment rents will be collected on Monday 18th October between 6.30 and 8.30pm in the back room of the village hall.

Clerk

- c) It was proposed by TC and seconded by SB that Mr Willoughby is allowed to rent a minimum of 60 and a maximum of 80 rod on the Dunstall Site to keep a pony. The rent will be set at £250 per year, the area must be securely fenced and no equestrian vehicle is to be taken on

the allotment roadway.

CARRIED

- d) The quotation for keeping the Dunstall Allotment site clean will be put back until it is certain whether Mr Willoughby will be keeping a pony on the site.

10-11/155 WASH MATTERS

- a) There was nothing to report on the Wash.

10-11/156 PLANNING MATTERS

a) **Planning Applications**

10/00795/FUL Proposed alterations to roof at 23 Prickwillow Road for Mr & Mrs Fordham – this application has been withdrawn since the agenda was published.

10/00729/FUL Garage and Garden Store at 47 West Street for Mr K Hall – no objection.

b) **Planning Approvals**

10/00600/FUL Installation of underground 225mm diameter surface water pipe at Land North of 8 Church Street, Isleham for Cambridgeshire County Council

c) **Other Planning Matters**

ECDC – Tree Works Mr Hancock 14 Robins Close

ECDC – Tree Works At Isleham Recreation Ground

An amendment to the original planning application from Bellway has been received from Bloor Homes. The only change for consideration is that the 2 1/2 storey houses have been reduced to 2 storey and this change was welcomed by the Councillors.

10-11/157 MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

- a) That the public (including representatives of the press) be excluded during the consideration of the remaining item No 10-11/158-159 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)

It was proposed by LN and seconded by JM that the meeting be closed at 8.43pm

10-11/158 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF EXCLUSION

10-11/159 CLERKS APPRAISAL

The meeting reopened to the public and press at 9.28pm

10-11/160 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

November 8th 2010. (An interim planning meeting will be arranged if necessary)

The December meeting will be held on Monday 29th November as the Clerk has an operation scheduled for Tuesday 7th December.

The January meeting will be held on Monday 10th January because of the bank holiday for New Years day.

10-11/161 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.34pm

- 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: