WOOLSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Parish Council Meeting

Date: Monday 14th November 2016 Venue: Woolsthorpe Social Club at 7 p.m.

Councillors present G. Ward (Chairman)

P. Hammond (Vice Chairman)

J. Barber M. Bradshaw T. Packer A. Ablewhite J. Salmon

Also present

District Cllr H. Westropp

Mrs Emma Wilson (Clerk)

Open Session - Public Forum - 7.00pm

No parishioners were in attendance. The public session was closed.

Meeting Opened: 7.05pm

- 85. Apologies Apologies were received from District Councillor P. Bosworth and County Cllr B. Adams. The reasons for their absence were noted and accepted.
- 86. Disclosure of interest in agenda items NIL
- 87. The minutes of meeting dated 3rd October 2016 having been circulated prior to the meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record and were passed by resolution of the Council. The minutes were duly signed and dated by the Chairman.

88. Matters arising:

- a. (77) Cllr Ward agreed to contact Belvoir Estate regarding the trees obscuring view of speed road signs. Belvoir estates agreed to tend to this and Cllr Ward said he would follow this up
- b. (78) i) Clerk to notify Western Power and update at the next meeting if agreement received for Signature. ii) Clerk to contact alternative providers and set up training session as soon as possible for all confirmed interested parties. Update in clerks report agenda item 90a.
- c. (79d) Cllr Barber to report back on quote for replacement spikes top cross bar of the swings. It was reported that after inspection this was not urgent and should be left till the spring.
- d. (84a) Clerk to contact Highways re surface water main street. Update in clerks report agenda item 90d
- e. (84b) Cllr Barber to look at grit bin to see if it will accommodate a padlock to stop the litter problem and then allow key holders. Clir Salmon reported he had provided a padlock for the bin. Cllr Barber and GP Surgery are both key holders.
- (84f) Cllr P Hammond to contact Road Safety Partnership ref additional post on Sedgebrook Road. Clir Hammond confirmed RSP agreed they would put up an additional post and they have referred this to Mark Heaton at LCC Highways.

89. Christmas Tree

Cllr Barber confirmed to the meeting that the tree requirement was an 8 ft. tree with a 2 ft. stump and she also agreed to order and organise delivery of the tree from Syston Park. Cllr Bradshaw has the Christmas lights for the tree in safe keeping. The date agreed for switching on the lights was Monday 12th Dec at 7-00pm. Carols to be sung followed by mince pies and a glass of wine at the village hall.——

Social Club

Action: Cllr Packer to organise carol sheets for the event.

Action: Cllr Barber to organise refreshments and liaise with Cllr Ward regarding this prior to the event.

90. Clerks Report

- a. Defibrillator/Community Heartbeat Following potential issues going forward regarding governance; the parish clerk gave detailed feedback from a meeting she had with Community Heartbeat (a charity organisation that helps monitor and maintain village setting defibrillators) to the parish council. Following this the parish council agreed unanimously to fund annually £126 to CH who would take sole responsibility for the village defibrillator. This incorporates daily/weekly safety checks, insurance, governance, perishable replacement items and supply of paint to maintain the phone box etc.
- b. Litter Picker Clerk confirmed she had collected new supplies of bags/grabber/gloves and high visibility waistcoat from SKDC for the litter picker and delivered the items to him. A discussion ensued regarding the route taken for litter picking. Cllr Barber highlighted she would like to discuss further the problem of significant litter in certain areas of the village which are currently not easily accessible for the community cleaner to safely access and maintain.
- c. Audit Clerk reported she had an interim meeting with internal auditor to commence set up of electronic accounts for the parish council.
 Bank update Clerk reported a bank balance statement amount of £3591.00 as at 05/11/16.
 Funding Clerk reported confirmed receipt of annual funding for community cleaner of £374.40
- d. Highways Surface Water Clerk reported she had followed up with Highways. They have logged this issue for further action as soon as prioritisation and appropriate funding allows, in the interim they had taken basic preventative measures to ensure road safety.

Action: Clerk to contact Community Heartbeat and move forward with agreement to take over responsibility. Martin Fagan at CH is to contact Western Power to resolve electricity supply issues and organise electrical safety check on defibrillator.

Action: Clerk to contact Community Cleaner and invite him to attend December 2016 Parish meeting to discuss the route taken

91. Children's Play Area - H&S Update/maintenance

- a. Cllr Hammond had submitted his H&S check of 04/11/2016 to clerk to record. He commented that the weeds need spraying and he would be happy to action this himself.
- b. Brief discussion regarding raising the play bark depth in the children's play area by 5cm

Action: Cllr Hammond to spray weeds

Action: Cllr Ablewhite agreed he would contact Walkers Timber regarding replacement quote for play bark (approx. 6 cubic metres required)

- 92. Correspondence The clerk read out the following to the meeting:
 - a. Sharing Parish Council Communications with Councillors
 - b. Consultation on Lincolnshire School Admissions Arrangements for September 2018
 - c. Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

93. Planning

a. S16/2349 – The application was discussed and unanimously agreed by the parish council that there were no objections

94. Accounts for payment:

a. S. Woodward (Grass/Hedge/Play Area) 100823
 b. Room Hire 100824
 c. Reimbursement to E.Wilson for Anglian Water payment 100825
 £ 150-00
 £ 10-00
 £ 29-65

95. Any Other Business

a. Parking - there continues to be inconsiderate and irregular parking on Hillside Road. This is causing problems for people driving down the road and also access to properties.

b. Cllr Hammond raised the issue about the possibility of getting all the properties in the village that do not have house numbers to be allocated one. It had been suggested that only having names rather than numbers can cause problems for emergency vehicles locating properties.

c. Cllr Barber commented that the issue of dog fouling on the field adjacent the village hall was becoming a problem once again. Cllr Barber offered to erect a sign she already has asking dog walkers to be responsible for clearing up after their dogs. All councillors were in favour of this as an initial preventative measure.

d. The poor road surface on Cliffe Hill was discussed and it was highlighted that it was particularly dangerous at the top of the hill towards Denton. Cllr Ward suggested that the whole hill requires resurfacing. Motorists have to swerve to avoid serious holes and drive on the wrong side of the road. District Cllr H. Westropp suggested that as many people as possible should report the issue on www.fixmystreet.com alongside an official request by the clerk to Highways.

Action: Clerk to contact Highways and ask for them to come and witness the parking issue, preferably over a weekend or an evening when the problem seems to be at its worst.

Action: Clerk to contact Highways and ask for them to come and inspect the poor state of the road surface on Cliffe Hill.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

Signed: Wu

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