

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 10.11.2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair J Allan. Vice P Rushton. D Spittlehouse. J Alsop. L Alsop. T Hall. Councillor J Milne. WLDC. Clerk A Rushton. Ass/Clerk L Holman.

Apologies. P Fotheringham.

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: 1 attended.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Clerks Wages P Rushton. Ass/Clerk wages D Spittlehouse.

MEMBER OF PUBLIC ISSUES:

- Dog Fouling off Cade Lane. Despite signs been put up certain members of the public are not picking up. This is being monitored by a resident to see if he can catch the offender in the act.
- A tree in the churchyard is over hanging the footpath and is causing a danger to the public. D Spittlehouse offered to cut off the offending branch.
- The same member of the public requested it to be brought to the councils attention that his bird feeder station was taken from his garden one evening.

MINUTES:

- Last minutes approved and signed by Chair.

ARISING FROM:

Cycle Race.

- Still no information regarding village competition.

Village Hall.

- Problem resolved re-booking for Horticultural Society.
- T Hall represented council at last meeting. He reported that they have £9.000 in reserve funds. One of the murals is still work in progress for getting restored, whilst one member of the committee wanted to scrap the other one. This is to be discussed at the next meeting. P Rushton and D Spittlehouse agreed to go together for that one in December. L Alsop for January and J Allan for December.

War Memorial.

- A good job done agreed by all, thanks to Mark Rose.

Phone Box.

- Insured for £500 at no cost to council. Undecided about turning it into a book exchange due to the gap underneath, maybe lead to damp books etc. One member suggested building the floor up. Chair to talk to Mark Rose for suggestions and cost.

Broadband.

- Quickline is now up and running.

Chairs Extraordinary Meeting.

- Meeting went well last month, audit and survey next meeting.

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#### Fish Shop.

- Litter problem looks like it has been resolved.

#### Bloomers.

- Bulbs have been planted around the burial ground. No response from WLDC for planters. Clerk confirmed that a letter and plans had been submitted as well as an email, but had not received anything from council to date. J Milne volunteered to chase it up with highways.

#### Community Neighbourhood Scheme.

- It was agreed that a survey, to be included in the next newsletter will be sent to every household in Upton. This will allow us to find out if there is anyone willing to offer their services for volunteering and whether there is a need for this service. As an incentive for filling in the questionnaire, all return forms will be entered into a prize draw for a hamper. Each member agreed to donate a food item. Also, to ask residents for email address so we can inform them of any updates.

#### Crime Report.

- 4 X Thefts . 4 X Criminal damage. 3X Concern for welfare.
- Burglary..... SAXILBY: Cash, Jewellery and child's scooter- entry via patio door.  
STOW: Quad bike, Slug pellets.
- Thefts. SAXILBY: corrugated plastic sheets from field.
- Criminal damage: ..... SAXILBY: 3 flat tyres.
- Marton RTC Newton on Trent RTC.
- MARTON. SAXILBY. STURTON BY STOW. Child safeguarding referral.

#### Precept Est.

- Chair proposed £5750 a raise of £250. 2 members asked for £6000. A vote was taken and was 4 to 2 in favour of £5750. It was also agreed to discuss the precept next year at the Sept meeting, 2 months before the actual application is due for presentation.

#### Christmas Tree Festival.

- To be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December in the church. Various organisations to decorate xmas trees. This will coincide with the carol service on the Sunday. Audrey and Lyn agreed to decorate one on behalf of the council.

#### Xmas Market.

- To be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The choir will start the market at 6.0pm with carols. The Bishop is attending and it was suggested that he opens the market.

#### Local Housing Plan.

- It is est. that 36,000 homes are to be built in Lincolnshire within the next 20 years.
- 10% more houses for Upton over next 20 years. It was suggested by Chair to increase it to 20%
- Key facilities: Bridge over Trent, brown fields for building, schools.

#### Finance.

- Clerks training day. £23 agreed.
- Clerks wages. £236.71
- Assistant Clerk wages. £124.84
- Poppy Wreath £17.50
- Mark Rose £688.80

#### Chairs Agenda.

- Money and risks. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

#### Newsletter.

- Xmas market. Update on Bloomers. Good neighbours scheme. Village Hall agenda. Xmas tree festival. Reminder of Village website. Date of next meeting.

#### Defibrillator.

- £650 has been offered towards a defibrillator from the Willingham and District Relief in Sickness Charity. Needs to be kept in a warm place and serviced and insured every year. It was suggested to ask Roger the LIVES man his advice. DS said he would ask him. It was noted that the playing field are already taking steps into getting one.

#### Planning.

- 2 pig rearing units off Cow Lane + 5 bedroom house. To house 1990 pigs for fattening. Issues about this was brought up: Environmental. Smell. Increase in traffic. Welfare of pigs. Waste! Suction Slurry?? Chair asked if any information could be obtained raising concerns and observations.
- P Fotheringham Cow House Plan. Plans have been submitted for an extension on the side of the cow house. No objections from council.
- Plans for extension. 15 High St. 133569. No objections.

Meeting ended at 9.15 pm.

Next meeting to be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2016