# **NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Newton Parish Council meeting held in the village hall on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 7pm

#### Present

Cllrs J Hoyles (Chairman), D Fullbrook, N Johnson, R Scott, D Wright (Vice Chair), M Youngs and P Wilkinson (Clerk). Cllr C Seaton also attended

#### **Apologies**

Cllr M Humphrey.and Mr David Gibbs

Minutes of last meeting previously circulated were signed as a true record.

#### Matters arising

Mr and Mrs Arnold were happy to oversee the salt bin near their home in the Goodens Lane, Cllr Seaton would arrange for more salt.

Mr Gibbs was unable to attend he will be invited to the next meeting.

#### Action Log

- 1/Jan 2012 RS Review/revise Newton allotment agreement see agenda item Ongoing
- 1/Mar 2012 JH/DF Check all footpaths and, depending on usage and purpose, JH had sent off completed form including photos of areas of concern, agreement to £1000 to be paid if necessary towards any costs. DF had arranged for Community Payback Team to clear path edges.

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Both completed
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- 1//May 2012 JH Awaiting update form Anglian Water supporting proposed solution to sewerage problem (Church Lane/Goodens Lane).
  Completed but to continue monitoring.
- 2/May 2012 RS Jan 2013 Review allotment rents.
  Completed
- 1/Jul 2012 MY Arrange new 'NEWTON' & safety signs on High Road at entry to village from West (Tydd St Giles)
   Completed
- 2/Jul 2012 DF Arrange registration of Newton Playing Field as Queen Elizabeth II Field.

#### Awaiting Deed of Dedication.

- 3/Sep 2012 Cllr Seaton Jan 2013 Speeding on Little Ramper/High Road bend arrange on-site meeting with CCC Highways
  Ongoing
- 1/Nov 2012 DW May 2013 Continue as PC focal point and liaise with relevant parties concerning formation of Community Led Plan Steering Committee.
  Ongoing
- 2/Nov 2012 DF/PW Nov 2012 Playing Field Project first annual maintenance inspection of play equipment.
  Completed awaiting report
- 3/Nov 2012 DF Mar 2013 Arrange repair of roadside safety barrier at High Road/Little Ramper junction.
  Ongoing

#### <u>Allotment</u>

Agreement to be completed and approved for October 2013. It was agreed to increase allotment rents by 50%. Clerk to inform allotment holders by letter in February that this increase will take effect from October 1<sup>st</sup> 2013. Rent collections will be for half a year until September 30<sup>th</sup> 2013 a full year commencing from October 1<sup>st</sup> 2013 along with the new agreement.

#### **Finance**

Savings A/C £1545 including 28p interest with £700 moved to Playing Field A/c Playing Field Community A/C £822.55, 3 invoice outstanding from Jubilee leaving £580.05 add £700 transferred from Savings A/Cc= £1280.05

A cheque to WREN for Landfill Communities monies for Grant £1203.29 leaving £76.76. Community A/C £1855.99 Including Concurrent Function Grant income of £960 Cheques signed for Church clock maintenance £75

Acre membership £30

Clerk Salary £487.50 plus expenses £20.80 £508.30

Grants made to Citizen Advice Bureau £100, East Anglian Air Ambulance £75, Victim Support £75. Village hall £100 leaving £871.69

Precept changes, notification received of a change in payment method, a small proportion of the Precept to be paid from Government to FDC, larger part from FDC. New Precept request form had not yet been received but had been assured that this change should make little difference to our Precept application of £5500 as previously approved.

No Concurrent Function Grant form received this year, grant, payment unchanged, allocation as last year.

## <u>Planning</u>

Two applications received. Planning consent for building behind the Laurels, High Road. Approved by Parish Council

Extension to house Kinder Lodge, Church Lane concerns regarding water table.

#### Village hall

No feedback received. Dee Markham to be approached for brief summary of events for the Parish Council meetings.

### Playing Field

Queen Elizabeth 11 Status Deed, with addition to Clause 3.1 this was discussed and approved. Clerk to send off amendment for completion of Deed.

Cllr Fullbrook suggested an event to commemorate the new play equipment and the Playing Field Status. This was to be held over until 2014.

Query raised over difficulties for children getting bikes into the field through the gate in Goodens Lane to play on the BMX track due to gate design. Cllr Fullbrook to investigate and report back

#### **Correspondence**

Quote of £1039.65 received for replacement street light at Bramley House Church Lane/ Goodens Lane junction Health leaflets circulate Norfolk mineral site specification leaflet Copy of Village hall policy received on file Access to Health Care report Register of interest forms returned, emailed out to ClIrs for amendments. Land Registry information and Deed received (3.1), any changes added then resubmit

Letter of resignation received from ClIr R Clark due to illness. ClIr Hoyles stated he was sorry he was not well enough to continue but wished to thank him for all his support as a councillor.

PC Russ's email stated he had hoped to attend, in his absence the Police Crime information circulated,

Crimes - theft from vehicle in Colvile Road

Damage to vehicle in Roman Bank

Speedwatch took place on 19<sup>th</sup> November and 11th December no vehicles exceeding the speed limit. Crime buster bus unavailable at present community engagements to be undertaken by Mobile police station dates and times to be advised.

## <u>AOB</u>

Vehicles in Goodens Lane parking across the pavements two properties being blocked. Police to be contacted.

WDNW (Wisbech District Neighbourhood Watch) meeting 24<sup>th</sup> January at Astral House Wisbech 7.30pm Bird scarer causing nuisance. Cllr Hoyles to investigate.

#### Date time next meetings

Date time next meetings Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm Parish Assembly Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm AGM Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm