

REEPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Methodist Schoolroom on Tuesday 27th October 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr D Perkins, who presided. Cllrs S Crease, B Tebbs, A Clay, A Brammer, D World, with the Clerk Mr B Wharton.

D/Cllr C Darcel also attended.

MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

1. Apologies.

Cllrs P Stuffins, J Oxby and N Ward. C/Cllr I Fleetwood and D/Cllr A Welburn.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th September 2015.

3. Clerk's Report

The seats on the Green are awaiting installation by the village Handyman.

WLDC have responded to the complaint raised against M Sturgess by handing the response to M Sturgess, which is unacceptable. Following a proposal by Cllr A Brammer, seconded by Cllr S Crease it was resolved that the Clerk respond with a Formal Complaint to WLDC.

4. Correspondence

D/Cllr A Welburn – Report.

Police – Crime statistics for August/September.

Play Inspection Co – change of address.

Greenfield Grasscutter – sales information.

Groundwork Lincolnshire – sales information.

Barclays Business – Acceptance of change of Mandate for signatures.

5. Financial Matters

Presentation of Accounts:

Glendale - grass cut £ 258.55

Glendale – hedge cut (village) and cemetery entrance £ 708.30

£ 966.85

Proposed by Cllr B Tebbs and seconded by Cllr A Brammer it was resolved that these be paid.

Precept: A finance sheet was presented to the meeting in anticipation of the Precept requirement being addressed at the next meeting.

At the proposal of Cllr S Crease, seconded by Cllr A Clay, it was resolved that Cllr D World be granted 1 years dispensation to discuss the requirements of the precept allowing for residential status.

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6. Planning Matters

It is accepted that there will be no information forwarded to Parish Councils on tree applications. Clerk to peruse the weekly lists for any applications relevant to Reepham.

There has been no response from WLDC to the intention to consider thinning of the Manor Rise buffer zone in spite of the possibility that some stock may be lost. The point that the area has been intentionally overstocked was made. It was left with the Chairman to investigate further steps forward and costings.

7. Roads and Footways

Cllr D World presented the results of observations into near misses to both traffic and pedestrians at the Kennel Lane/Hawthorn Road junction. Discussions widened into the poor road markings throughout the village. The Clerk is to write to Highways (N) to inform them of the serious concerns and request refurbishment to the road markings and a complete investigation into the safety aspects of the Junction, hopefully with the installation of a centre reservation and upgrade to a 'stop'.

It was reported that the sycamore near the pathway from Station Road to Meadow Close had grown and was blocking the light from the street light from shining down the pathway.

8. Field Footpaths and Bridleways

Nil.

9. Conservation Areas

Nil

10. Amenity Areas

Cemetery: An estimate has been received and discussion suggested that the way forward would be to grant the money to the Parochial Church Council for this shared notice. It would then be added onto the Parish Council Insurance cover list of notice boards for protection. Post Codes: A Car number plate type with the Manor Rise post code was to be obtained and installed by the village handyman. This would be obtained from Motorsave from petty cash for £10.99.

Kissing gate between Station Road and Mellows Close. A site meeting was set up to discuss the options.

11. Speed Limits:

The information from Highways had been circulated, further assessment will be required. Carried to the next agenda.

12. Sunday Bus:

In the absence of Cllr Oxby, who was handling this, carried forward to the next agenda.

13. Transparency Fund and computer usage:

Carried forward to the next agenda as more information is gathered.

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14. Christmas Tree:

Cllr S Crease to select the tree from Fillingham Trees. Clerk to send details of heights and prices from previous years.

15. Business for the Next Agenda

Nil.

Closed at 0852pm.