

REEPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Methodist Schoolroom on Tuesday 28th February 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr D Perkins, who presided. Cllrs A Brammer, J Oxby, P Stuffins, B Tebbs, N Ward and D World and S Crease with the Clerk, Mr B Wharton.

C/Cllr I Fleetwood attended from 2017.

Luke Brown (WLDC) presented the case for the adoption of a neighbourhood scheme along with ways of obtaining financial and practical assistance both in setting up and further progression.

MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

See under 'Correspondence'.

1. Apologies.

Cllr A Clay (holiday). D/Cllrs Welburn, Palmer and Darcel were at a meeting at WLDC. C/Cllr Fleetwood was at the same meeting but suggested that he would attend when possible.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st January 2017.

At the proposal by Cllr B Tebbs, seconded by Cllr S Crease, it was resolved that the minutes be accepted.

3. Clerk's Report

The annual inspection of the Manor Rise Play Park had been booked with the Play Inspection Company.

The Litter Pick has been logged in with WLDC and delivery of equipment will be organised nearer the time. Reepham School and the WI have been contacted separately and invited to attend. A time and meeting place will be required and this was decided as 10.00am 9th April at the Village Hall.

The Methodist Church has been notified of our wish to continue to hire the Schoolroom and the invoice received for next year.

4. Correspondence

LCC Highways – Information on Kennel Lane closure for junction restructure.

Clerks and Councils Direct – Magazine.

Ringrose Law = Funding information.

D/Cllrs Welburn and Palmer – report for February.

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An email was received from a Fiskerton resident requesting information regarding the Parish Council's decision not to produce a Neighbourhood Plan. A general reply from the clerk informed that it was not possible to answer the questions without the authority of the Parish Council. The email and the clerk's responses were noted, though it was decided that any further response would be inappropriate at this time.

An email was received from a resident of Station Road, noting that the FP123 was becoming muddy and that cyclists and horse riders had been observed using the through path. It was also noted that there was no evidence of use (wheel marks) of the original reason for the kissing gate removal. At the proposal of Cllr B Tebbs, seconded by Cllr A Brammer, it was resolved that steps be taken to replace the gate. As the usage of the pathway had been changed for the past year, it was uncertain what measures would be needed to replace the gate. Clerk to contact LCC to ascertain steps forward.

WLDC – Minutes

WLDC – Information on Joint Venture Company.

LCC – Highways – a paper outlining a 'new era' in the reporting and running of the Highways Department at LCC.

5. Financial Matters

Presentation of Accounts:

Methodist Church – 2017/18 rental

£ 171.00

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At the proposal of Cllr N Ward, seconded by Cllr J Oxby, it was carried that this cheque be signed.

Insurance for Cemetery notice board: Following the vandalism of the notice board glass, it was noticed that the insurance, whilst covering the street furniture had an excess of £300, this for the bill of £58.32.

At the proposal of Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr A Brammer, it was carried that a cheque covering the amount of **£ 58.32** be signed and sent to the St Peter and St Paul Reepham Church.

6. Planning Matters

There are no applications outstanding at present and decisions have been received on the Fox and Hounds, 44 Fiskerton Road and 29 Fiskerton road.

It was mentioned that the telecom mast on Kennel lane had been passed though no paperwork has been received. This was queried and C/Cllr Fleetwood will follow this up to ascertain the actual position.

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Good's Farm Development:

A date and time for the Drop-in has been decided by Globe Consultants as 23rd March at the Church. A mention of this will be placed in the Reepham News and an invitation is extended by Globe Consultants for all interested to attend, observe and question.

Further discussion on the resultant activities of the Parish Council plus any links to neighbourhood plans suggested a way forward.

For those who are concerned, interested or supportive, it was proposed by Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr D World and carried that all be reminded of the right to attend the Parish Council Meeting on 28th March to inform next measures. This will then give the Parish Council information of the residents' feelings and suggest any future requirements of the Parish Council. Nearer the time a leaflet will be delivered to each household to remind everyone of the 'Drop-in' at the church on 23rd March and to extend the invitation.

It was decided to invite Luke Brown back to this next meeting to re-present the neighbourhood plan information.

7. Roads and Footways

Photographs of the deterioration of the fabric of the railings on Kennel Lane bridge were produced and these are to be sent to LCC Highways to highlight the worsening condition.

8. Field Footpaths and Bridleways

Content on the FP123 kissing gate is included under 'Correspondence'.

9. Conservation Areas

Cllr A Brammer proposed that a request be made for signage at each end of Smooting Lane to indicate priority for traffic movement in one direction. This was seconded by Cllr N Ward and resolved that the clerk write to WLDC and Highways to request this change of road use.

10. Amenity Areas

It was proposed by Cllr B Tebbs, seconded by Cllr J Oxby, it was resolved that the metal sign having the information of the postcode for Manor Rise and the request of 'No Dogs' be purchased from Signs of the Times as in their recent quotation.

11. Business for the Next Agenda

Nil.

Meeting ends....2102.