REEPHAM PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of Meeting

Methodist Schoolroom on Tuesday 26th July 2016 at 7.30pm.

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

C/Cllr I Fleetwood, D/Cllr A Welburn and D/Cllr C Darcel also attended.

MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr P Scrafton, Managing Director of Globe Consultants, representing Manor Farm, Reepham attended accompanied by L Swindburne. He presented a proposal for a residential development on the farmyard of Manor Farm over the next few years. Increasing size of farm machinery is making entry to and egress from Manor farm less easy and It is the intention to move the farm base onto the old airfield on Fiskerton Road. Based upon the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan, there is a requirement for a 15% increase in houses in Reepham through to 2036: the proposal is for the development to be sited upon the released farm area off The Green. The Parish Council was asked for any comments and was offered a consultation role, if it was considered useful.

1. Apologies.

Cllrs B Tebbs and N Ward.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th June 2016.

At the proposal by Cllr P Stuffins, seconded by Cllr A Clay, it was resolved that the minutes be accepted.

3. Clerk's Report

It is confirmed that the village handyman will be able to work with the tick sheet for monthly inspections. The recent inspection found that some fence posts needed "postcreteing" into one side of the park. At the proposal of Cllr D World, seconded by Cllr S Crease, it was resolved that he be authorised to undertake this work. It was mentioned that he be reminded that the notice board on The Green still needed repositioning.

The footpath from the Old Chequers to Church Lane had been tidied up, some new fencing put in and needed no further work.

LCC Highways should be reminded that the bridge on Kennel Lane was still rusty and required cleaning and repainting.

4. Correspondence

Feedback from D/Cllr A Welburn, concentrating on the ideas of Devolution and A Mayor for Police Stats for May/June.

Came and Co change of Trading Style after joining Stackhouse Poland Limited.

Barclays Financial Service - Compensation Scheme.

Clerks and Councils Direct – Magazine.

Lincolnshire Gardens and Landscape.

HAGS - Games Areas advertisement.

LCC Policing – Who is in charge – a poster.

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5. Financial Matters

Presentation of Accounts:

Glendale Countryside Hedge Cut – June £ 517.94

Grass Cutting X 3 £ 791.17

Manor Rise dogwoods and shrub Clearance £ 240.00

£1549.11

6. Planning Matters

A Decision was received for High Gables on Church Lane.

There was information on a further hearing for Land South of Hawthorn Road under Application number 134103.

C/Cllr Fleetwood mentioned the recycling for Fiskerton Airfield. Cllr Stuffins Declared an Interest and left the room. This matter is under Fiskerton Parish, but the increase of traffic both to and from this facility would be felt equally on Reepham's roads. At a proposal by Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr A Brammer, is was resolved that the Clerk request an update briefing on the current position of this planning proposal.

Cllr Stuffins returned to the meeting.

The proposals brought by Globe Consultants were then discussed. It was felt that this should not become a project for the Parish Council though there should be advice that the residents be informed as soon as a first idea of intention is formed. Once fully informed the Parish Council's role would be to support the wishes of those residents.

At the proposal of Cllr D World, seconded by Cllr J Oxby, it was resolved that the Clerk should first write to Globe Consultants to inform them of that finding and urge a public meeting to present the ideas to the village and, second that an article be written for the Reepham News with a map (after permission to print has been obtained) to show initial suggestions.

7. Roads and Footways

A response was received from LCC Highways over the intentions for the cutting of verges from next year. Despite the declaration that there would be no partnership agreement, it was now hoped that the current 2 cuts per year would continue. There was also no definitive answer to whether the cuts between the villages would be continued into the village centres but permission for the Parish Councils to organise verge cutting was granted.

Cllr Brammer raised the question of who looked after the roadside ditches along Hawthorn Road. This was not resolved but it was ascertained that spraying road edges would be LCC's responsibility whereas sweeping the edges would be handled by WLDC. There was some evidence of spraying on the village verges but Clerk to seek confirmation from Highways that all had been sprayed before requesting a roadside brush by WLDC. ACIS had been requested to hedge cut their hedging on the houses backing onto Kennel Lane.

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8. Field Footpaths and Bridleways

Nil

9. Conservation Areas

Nil

10. Amenity Areas

Nil

11. Business for the Next Agenda

Verges cutting for 2017 in anticipation of increases of Precept

Meeting ends....2102.