

# REEPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Meeting

**Methodist Schoolroom on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30pm.**

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

C/Cllr I Fleetwood and D/Cllr M Palmer also attended.

Joe Good attended as observer.

### **MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Nil

#### **1. Apologies.**

Cllrs A Brammer, B Tebbs and N Ward. D/Cllr A Welburn

#### **2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017.**

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

#### **3. Clerk's Report**

The village handyman has assured the Clerk that the Kissing gate will be installed by month end.

LCC Highways have been invoiced £230.41 for the annual Grass Cutting.

#### **4. Correspondence**

D/Cllrs Welburn and Palmer – report for September

C/Cllr I Fleetwood – brief for August.

WLDC – Agenda and Notice of meetings.

WLDC – Circular on people with learning difficulties.

WLDC – Consultation on Council Tax reduction.

WLDC – Consultation on Charging for Green Bin Waste collection in W Lindsey.

LCC – Two posters on CALL CONNECT for notice boards.

Andrew & Co – Solicitors to confirm that the transfer of St Paul's to Cherry Willingham is completed.

LCR – Magazine.

LALC – Annual Report 2016/17.

Clerks and Councils Direct – magazine.

SMV Contract Service – advertisement.

An email was received that suggested that the Parish Council should apply for a Coop Funding Grant to install hockey (or other minority sport) facilities instead of the tennis at the village hall. Clerk to reply that the PC is not comfortable with, nor entitled to instigate changes at the village hall.

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The Parish Council had previously assisted the 3v's Painting Group to receive a Councillors' Initiative Fund grant for equipment. They are entitled to, and have requested, further grant assistance through D/Cllr Welburn. It was proposed by Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr P Stuffins and resolved that assistance should be again offered.

### 5. Financial Matters

Presentation of Accounts:

Glendale – 1 Grass cut.	£ 270.30
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LALC – Publication	£ 17.50
Lewis Green Manor Rise sign, Hawthorn notice board, Inspections	£ 256.50
	<b>£ 814.60</b>

At the proposal of Cllr S Crease, seconded by Cllr D World, it was carried that these cheques be signed.

### 6. Planning Matters

Planning acceptance was received for 12 Fiskerton Rd and 26 Church Lane.

#### Good's Farm Development:

A precis of the emails between the Clerk and Globe had been forwarded to the Cllrs. The Chairman gave run-down of the changes and pointed out that the proposals to reduce to 25 houses were closer to where we wished to be and might provide a way forward. He suggested that the way ahead would be to effectively start again with a drop-in meeting with question and answer, a further Parish Council run meeting and a further questionnaire circulation (with delivery led by the Parish Council). The requirement under the Local Plan still requires that the developer for 25 houses demonstrate exceptional circumstances. Somehow Globe will need to show the Parish Council and the residents what benefits are on offer to justify the 'exceptional circumstances'. It was noted that the workings of the Neighbourhood Plan and the development, whilst similar were continuing side by side as the Neighbourhood Plan still needs to identify locations for the remainder of the growth.

Proposed by Cllr P Stuffins, seconded by Cllr D World, it was resolved that the Clerk is to write to Globe to this effect.

The meeting was closed from 8.05pm to 8.22pm for observations from Joe Good following the comments from and resolve of the Parish Council.

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### **Neighbourhood Plans:**

NDP: A report of the meetings of and changes within the Group was given by Cllr D World, as Chairman at the last meeting.

An application for funding through 'Locality' was requested by the NDP. It was proposed by Cllr S Crease, seconded by Cllr J Oxby and carried that the Clerk should proceed with the claim procedure.

### **7. Roads and Footways**

Village Entry Signs: In the absence of Cllr A Brammer, who raised this issue, it is carried over to the next meeting. Additionally, Cllr Brammer had passed on a suggestion for smaller reminder speed limit signs along the village through-roads. This will be carried to the next meeting.

As the Kissing gate is not yet erected, the decision on tarmac surfacing is carried over to the next meeting.

Clerk is requested to write to LCC Highways to pass on the Parish Council's condolences following the death of Lee Rowley.

### **8. Field Footpaths and Bridleways**

Nil

### **9. Conservation Areas**

Nil.

### **10. Amenity Areas**

The Oak Tree, broken into two by Storm Aileen was discussed. As the tree was under a preservation order it will need acceptance before it can be felled. Clerk to set this in motion and obtain 3 quotes for felling and clearance.

### **11. Christmas Tree, Santa, carols.**

Cllr S Crease offered to select a tree from Fillingham Trees but requested a price suggestion. Proposed by Cllr J Oxby and seconded by Cllr D World, it was carried that she should select a tree at a cost around £100.

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Remembering C/Cllr Fleetwood's offer of a repeat Santa, it was proposed by Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr A Clay and carried that his offer be accepted. It was noted that the sweets had run out very quickly last year and Clerk requested that the purchase limit be increased. Proposed by Cllr D World, seconded by Cllr P Stuffins it was carried that the limit be increased to £50 with no requirement to double wrap them.

The school have suggested a date of 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm for the carols around the tree. This was accepted

### **12. Business for the Next Agenda**

D/Cllr Palmer commented that there had been a meeting with the authorities of the new Priory Pembroke Academy and that he had expressed a wish to meet some of the local Parish Councils. The Clerk was requested to write to invite him to address one of the remaining meetings this year.

Meeting ends....2058.

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 31<sup>th</sup>, 2017