

REEPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

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

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

C/Cllr I Fleetwood and D/Cllrs A Welburn and I Parrott also attended.

Before the meeting commenced SPCO J Parker introduced her colleagues N Prestwich and G Walker as members of the area policing team. They presented a list of the incident statistics for the area for December and January and by way of comparison for Reepham. They departed after the presentation.

MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

1. Apologies.

Cllrs N Ward, A Brammer.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th November 2014.

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

3. Clerk's Report

The Neighbourhood Plan/Review was discussed. Cllr Crease offered to add support to Sherryll Gee. Clerk to write to a selection of village organisations inviting them to add their support and hopefully a member to the team.

The dog bin replacement at end Kennel Lane is expected in March/April.

Fault reporting to LCC included two street lights, the 30 mph sign on Hawthorn Road, which had fallen down, and a small tree breakage on Station Rd.

Moor Lane signpost was replaced but the original was still in the ground. WLDC to be asked to dispose of it.

4. Correspondence

WLDC	Agenda for a meeting of the Council on 26 Jan
WLDC	Minutes of 10 November meeting
WLDC	Amended notice of meetings Jan to April.
Barclays bank –	Updated Customer Agreement.
LALC	2015 Training events and dates.
LCC	Minerals and Waste Local Plan
Western Power	Copy of Licence to extract electricity for Christmas tree.
Spinal Injuries Association	Fish and Chip supper initiative.
Anne McCullagh	Broken bin near cemetery. Clerk to report to WLDC.
Penny Green	Service at Reepham Church with Bishop of Grimsby
Ordnance Survey	Welcome to the Ordnance Survey – we are now a licenced member and can order maps, etc.
CAB	Annual request for funding. Gainsborough.

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Community Links Support for ACRE and confirmation that support has been extended through 2015/16

WLDC An Energy Switch release and poster. The release was sent to Reepham News and the Poster onto the notice board.

WLDC Register of Electors. Info that the register is to be held as electronic information rather than on paper. Also reminder about restrictions as to its usage.

LCR Winter magazine

LALC Autumn Magazine. Plus Salary increase for Clerks.

Clerks and Councils Direct January Magazine

Glasdon Notice Boards, etc

The Methodist Chapel Room Hire Rates going up by 50p to £9.00 per hour for regular users. At the proposal by Cllr S Crease, seconded by Cllr B Tebbs, it was resolved that the hire of the room was to continue; Clerk to contact and confirm.

Cherry Willingham Parish Council have requested that Reepham Parish Council transfer the part of the ownership of the St Paul's Play Area. Chattertons-McKinnells are looking for the Deeds and will furnish a quote for the transfer. At the proposal of Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr A Clay it was resolved that the transfer should go ahead. Clerk to contact Cherry Willingham PC and, if needed, the solicitors.

5. Financial Matters

(a) Presentation of Accounts

Veolia – 2 nd Hedge Trim - £447.00 + £89.40 VAT	£536.40
Community Payback = £120.00 + £24.00 VAT	<u>£144.00</u>
	£680.40

On the proposal of Cllr P Stuffins, seconded by Cllr A Clay it was resolved that these be paid.

Reg. Taylor Trees: Against the purchase and delivery of a Crataegus, Paul's Scarlet tree for the green. On the proposal of Cllr B Tebbs, seconded by Cllr B Cropley it was resolved that Mr A Crease be paid **£84.50** for the costs of the tree. Clerk is to contact R Taylor to ascertain the exact amount of the bill with reference to the VAT requirement.

(b) Chairman's Expenses

Under a proposal by Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr B Cropley it was resolved that M Small be paid **£21.04** and B Wharton **£14.98** for refreshments for the Christmas carol evening.

(c) Section 137 Accounts

Against items of stationery and banners purchased by the Hawthorn Road Action Group and against travel to a meeting with the Transport Minister at the House of Commons by members of the group under the **FREE RESOURCE**, it was resolved that the council, in accordance with its powers under Section 137 & 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure, which in the opinion of the council was in the interests of the inhabitants of Reepham. It was proposed by Cllr S Crease, seconded by Cllr J Oxby and resolved that a cheque be paid for **£242.00** and proposed by Cllr B

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Cropley, seconded by Cllr A Clay it was resolved that a cheque be paid for **£110.70**. Both these cheques to be forwarded to Cherry Willingham Parish Council.

A query from the Action Group was raised through the Chairman as to whether any donations for the group, specifically with respect of legal representation, could be held by the Parish Council. Advice had been taken from LALC who confirm that any donation could be held but outgoings could only be in the form of a grant (up to the amount of £7.20 per head of the electorate) resolved under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. Under the proposal of Cllr A Clay, seconded by Cllr B Cropley, it was resolved that, if any donations were received, they would be so handled.

(d) Precept.

In the absence of any changes in the Parish Finances the decision was taken to allow the requested Precept amount to stand.

Receipts: £1131.90 had been credited to the Parish Council as a contribution from LCC for verges grass cutting. A grant of **£500** was received from Lincolnshire County Council's Big Society Fund to help improve communications between village organisations, residents and neighbouring communities.

6. Planning Matters

24/26 Church Lane – Permission granted for the build of one house.

5 High Street – Permission granted for the build but with limitations.

7. Roads and Footways

(a) Hawthorn Road

Nothing of importance since the last meeting.

8. Field Footpaths and Bridleways

a) Mellows Close hedging between footpath and the school playing field.

Veolia confirm that they will maintain the weeding of this section for this year.

The village handyman to be contacted to place two boundary posts at each end of the old hedging line to maintain the line of the boundary.

b) Grass Cutting: Proposed by Cllr P Stuffins, seconded by Cllr B Tebbs it was resolved that the quote for £215.46 per cut for the 2015 season grass cutting from Veolia SE (UK) Ltd be accepted.

c) Hedge Cutting: This appears to have been successful. No 5 year plan has been devised for this procedure - Clerk to obtain 3 quotes for the 2015 season.

D/Cllrs A Welburn and I Parrott were excused at 8.52pm and departed.

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9. Conservation Areas

The tree is now planted and WLDC informed. The Parish Council's thanks are extended to Cllr S Crease (and Mr Crease) for obtaining the tree and for Cllr N Ward for planting it.

C/Cllr I Fleetwood was excused at 9.00pm and departed.

10. Amenity Areas

- a) **Play Park:** At the proposal of Cllr J Oxby, seconded by Cllr B Tebbs, it was resolved that Wicksteed, who had provided a quote for the refurbishment of the Play Area by approached to complete the project.

11. Speed Management Review

This was carried to the next agenda when Mr A Brown from LCC Highways North is expected to attend to discuss the ways forward.

12. School Governors.

A Response from Cllr A Brammer was read out – to next agenda.

13. Business for the Next Agenda

Cllrs S Crease reported ponding on the road side on The Green.

Closed at 9.08pm