

WITHERN WITH STAIN & TOTHILL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 12 APRIL 2016

Present: Cllr Key (Chair); Hastie; Walker; Bood

Mrs J. Cooper (Parish Clerk)

There were no members of the public present

84 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison (ELDC) and these were noted.

85 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no further declarations.

86 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 1st MARCH 2016

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that the Chairman sign the notes of the meeting 1st March as official minutes.

87 UPDATE FROM THOSE MINUTES

Cllr Key advised that the interactive speed indicators will be installed shortly, he needed to carry out a software upgrade first.

88 STREE LIGHT UPDATE

The Clerk read out letter from ELDC dated 18th March 2016 in which ELDC offered to retain ownership of the lighting and oversee its management and maintenance on a full cost recovery basis. This means that if a Parish Council wished to take on the lighting, the District Council would recharge the costs to the Parish, as from 1st November 2016 (with first costs being due November 2017 and, with agreement, taken from April 2018 precept). Members discussed the proposal, and felt that this was something residents should have an input with, and it was agreed to add to the newsletter for distribution to households and ask for comments and/or attendance at the parish (public) meeting. Members felt this was an important issue and the Council should have the views/opinions of residents before making final decision.

89 NEWSLETTER

With some amendments ("What is parish Council"/ volunteers required for Village Enhancement planting / update to contact details / deletion of reference to national election services and addition of planning consultee) it was agreed that the newsletter be printed with details of the street light issue and the public meeting. Cllrs Hastie & Boon to arrange printing and distribution.

90 PLANTS AND PLANTING

It was noted that the daffodils donated through Cllr Harrison were starting to show. Discussion on planting and planters followed, and it was agreed that Cllrs Hastie and Key price up planters and plants and purchase. Arrangements for planting up to be agreed, and note entered in newsletter for volunteers. It was agreed that planters be installed near the village signs near Manor House and Mablethorpe end, with wildflower mixes surrounding and in verges.

91 FINANCE

a) Accounts for Payment:	
J. Cooper Salary & PAYE (April)	93.75
Village Hall hire (April '15 – Jan '16)	77.00
LALC Subs (2016/17)	138.06
J. Cooper Expenses 2015/16 (being postage Paper,inks etc)	23.77
Insurance	192.29

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that these be paid.

b) Bank Account

It was agreed to look at other bank accounts as TSB would not allow change of signatories on the existing account.

c) Internal Auditor

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that Mrs L. Croft be appointed Internal Auditor.

92 CHARITIES

This was deferred to a future meeting

93 CORRESPONDENCE

- E mail from Road Safety Partnership re: speed signs and wheelie bin stickers – it was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to purchase wheelie bin stickers (minimum £20).
- Letter LCC regarding cessation of Parish Paths Partnership
- Letter ELC regarding future election costs – should there be a by election where a Parish has insufficient reserves built up ELDC will hold charge until next precept year
- E mail Cllr S. Davy re: future meeting of Clerks and Chairmen.

94 PLANNING

Application N/212/00783/16 – Extension Beavers Retreat, Main Road.

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that the Council object to this application on the grounds that it was detrimental to visual aspect; the plot was too small; it was out of proportion and cramped.

95 ANY OTHER MATTERS

Cllr Hastie updated members on the Village Hall works and the Almshouses.

Members thanked Cllrs Hastie and Cllr Bood for work to the header on the notice board.

Cllr Bood had tidied and washed war memorial.

Cllr Key to provide road planings for around railings to war memorial.

Cllr Key brought up the issue of the poor condition of the churchyard at Tothill, Church demolished some years ago but area around in poor state. To ascertain who is responsible (future meeting).

Next Agenda:

Public Meeting (update and street lighting)

Annual Council meeting to include approval of statutory documents (Standing Orders etc).

96 DATE AND TIME NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 24th May 2016 at 7pm in the Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm