

## MINUTES OF SOUTH WILLINGHAM

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2013

#### **Present:**

Councillor Cutts     Chair

Councillor Doughty

Councillor Edmundson

Councillor Harris

Councillor Hart

Councillor Nutten

Residents Forum: No residents attended.

#### **1     Apologies for absence:**

Councillor Harrison, ill health.

#### **2     Declarations of interest in any items on the Agenda:**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **3     Planning Applications:**

The Sycamores, Hainton Road, South Willingham – no objections.

The Mill, Welsdale Road, Donington on Bain. This application is not situated in the Parish of South Willingham. Councillors were in favour of the proposed changes.

#### **4     Footpaths:**

Councillors discussed the evidence received from LCC regarding the four footpath applications. The general feeling was that the evidence was strong. It was noted that on a couple of occasions, diversions had been offered by the Heneage Estate; one had been rejected by the Parish Council and one of which the Parish Council was unaware. Advice from LCC indicated that diversions should not be accepted before the outcome of an inquiry determined the legal status of the applications. Councillors were in agreement that this seemed to lack common sense as it might be possible to resolve some of the issues without a costly inquiry.

Councillors were in agreement that they should prioritise the applications on the Heneage Estate and try to come to an amicable compromise. If successful, the

Parish Council would then follow a similar approach with the Olivants regarding the other application.

**Action: Chairman to write to Councillor Marfleet to ascertain his views on the possibility of negotiating with the Heneage Estate prior to an inquiry.** Depending on his response, the Parish Council would then approach the Estate directly or through their agents, Jas Martin.

## **5 Other items discussed:**

- a) Councillor Doughty had reported a number of items to LCC including two damaged lamp posts and the on-going water leak.
- b) Councillor Cutts had reported the broken village sign and received a reply from Doug Girling, Highways Officer, indicating that a new sign had been ordered. Mr Girling had also included details of how to apply for additional grit bins.
- c) Councillor Nutten updated the Parish Council on the Parish Hall meeting where the issue of a defibrillator had been discussed. They are hoping to buy a kit through LIVES, including a defibrillator, to be kept by a LIVES responder in the village. To support this, the Parish Hall Committee is hoping to recruit to additional LIVES responders. The Parish Hall will meet the bulk of the cost of the kit (with some funding from the Carol Singing collection) and would like the £300 received from Councillor Simpson. The Treasurer of the Parish Hall Committee would provide a written request for the money in preparation for the next Parish Council Meeting.

## **6 Date of next meeting: Thursday 14 March 2013**

Items for the next Agenda:

Request for additional grit bin(s)

Request from Parish Hall for money towards defibrillator

Planning for Annual Parish Meeting

Signed:

Chairman

Date: