

D R A F T
MINUTES OF SOUTH WILLINGAM
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 10 MARCH 2016

Present:

Councillor D Challender

Councillor P Cutts

Councillor M Edmundson

Councillor P Elliott

Councillor N Harris

Councillor D Nutten Chair

Councillor N Spencer Vice Chair

Residents Forum: No residents attended.

Planning Application for Church Farm: Jo Cutts had attended the meeting to answer any queries Councillors had regarding the application and explain the changes to the revised plan.

1 Apologies for absence:

There were no apologies.

2 Declarations of interest in any items on this Agenda:

Councillor Cutts declared an interest in Item 13: Planning Applications for Church Farm, Station Road. Councillor Elliott declared an interest in Item 10: Progress on Possible Children's Area.

3 To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 January 2016:

The Minutes were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4 Matters arising from the Minutes:

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

5 Financial Matters:

Councillors were able to view the latest bank and budget statements.

Payment of invoice for Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils: Councillors signed a cheque for £74.29 in payment. Appointment of Internal Auditor: **Action: Clerk to ask Paul Fuller if he would be willing to undertake the Audit.**

Post meeting note: Paul had kindly agreed to complete the Audit again.

Following the questionnaire to identify areas of increased expenditure for the village: Councillors Challender and Nutten had walked round the village with Jo Rouston to identify areas for improvement. Councillor Nutten had already completed some clearance and tidying of the Pinfold (the area by the village sign when approaching the village from East Barkwith). Councillor Elliott volunteered to remove the rubbish to the tip. It was agreed to spend approximately £40 - £50 on native shrubs for the Pinfold and approximately £70 for planting either side of the bus shelter. **Action: Councillors Challender and Nutten would contact Jo Rouston.** The bank in front of the Parish Hall was also discussed and it was agreed that Councillor Challender and Jo Rouston would speak to the Parish Hall Committee about this area.

Update from Councillor Edmundson regarding grant for Church clock repairs: Councillor Fry (ELDC) had submitted a donation of £200.00 from the Community Grants Fund towards the repair of the Church clock. This would be paid directly into Church funds. Councillor had sent a letter of thanks to Councillor Fry.

Village Website: The Clerk had received an email from Paul Ferguson. The current agreement was now due for renewal. It was agreed that the Parish Council would contribute £53.10 to the cost for the next three years. **Action: Clerk to notify Paul Ferguson of this decision.**

6 Any action to be taken re letters from residents regarding street lighting and the parking area on Barkwith Road:

The Parish Council had received a number of letters from residents on Barkwith Road regarding the turning off of the street lights. Whilst the Parish Council understood the concerns expressed in the letters, the decision had been made due to the cost in excess of £700.00 being charged to the Parish by East Lindsey District Council. A resident had suggested that the Parish Council should provide high visibility vests for those residents that requested them. It was agreed that this was an issue of personal safety which was the responsibility of individuals, not the Parish Council

7 Update on new footpath and route signs; update on disputed route Barkwith Road to Panton Road:

The new footpath (from Barkwith Road to Hainton Road) as agreed by Christopher Heneage was now open and posts and way markers were in place.

The Clerk had received documents from the Planning Inspectorate regarding the disputed footpath from Barkwith Road to Panton Road indicating that the supporting evidence was inconclusive. This application was no longer being pursued by the Parish Council.

8 Best Kept Village Competition:

Councillor Challender had received the application forms and Councillors signed a cheque for £15.00 for the entry fee. A resident had raised the issue of the telephone kiosk. **Action: Councillor Nutten would contact the resident.**

9 Village Tidy Up:

Councillor Harris had arranged this for Sunday 13 March, to meet at the bus shelter at 10.00 am. Additional work on trimming back shrubs and trees may be undertaken if enough people were available to help.

10 Progress on Possible Children's Area:

Councillor Elliott informed the meeting that the land on Barkwith Road was now available. Discussion followed as to the merits of either a social area which could be used for children to play football and village events such as barbecues or specifically a children's play area with equipment. Cost and maintenance were an issue with the second option. **Agreed: Councillors would approach residents to gauge support and it would be discussed further at the next meeting.**

11 Progress on Cutting Back Overhanging Trees:

No further action was required at present.

12 Broadband Speed Update:

Some residents had received invitations from BT to join BT Infinity but in general broadband speed was generally still slow. **Action: Councillor Spencer would email Councillor Fry (ELDC) and Councillor Edmundson would contact Councillor Marfleet (LCC) to see if any progress could be made.**

13 Arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting on 12 May:

It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting, to which all residents are invited, would be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 12 May 2016 in the Parish Hall.

14 ELDC Area Forums:

Councillors were made aware of the dates of the Area Forum Meetings.

15 Items for the Next Agenda:

Election of Chair and Vice Chair; Best Kept Village Update; Feedback on Village Tidy Up; Children's/Social Area; Progress on Village Improvements

Councillor Cutts left the meeting at this point.

16 Planning Matters: Revised application for Church Farm, Station Road:

Following discussion of the revised plan, it was suggested that the entrance could be moved further along the bank to reduce the visual impact. Jo Cutts agreed to contact the architect to see if this was viable and would notify Councillor Nutten accordingly. **Action: Subject to viewing a further amended plan Councillor Nutten would notify ELDC of the Parish Council's comments.**

17 Date of Next Meeting: 12 May 2016

Meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Date:

SOUTH WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL – FINANCE REPORT AS AT 10 MARCH 2016

Date	Details	£ Income	£ Expenditure	Budget	Balance	Total
01/04/15	Opening Balance (inc General Reserves £235.00)	766.63				
17/04/15	Income: ELDC Precept	600.00				1366.63
	A: Expenditure					
14/05/15	Insurance Premium Cheque 100139		144.59	160.00	+15.41	
14/05/15	Parish Hall Donation Cheque 100140		50.00	50.00	0	
14/05/15	Churchyard Maintenance Cheque 100141		50.00	50.00	0	
14/05/15	LIVES Donation Cheque 100142		50.00	50.00	0	
14/05/15	CPRE (Entry fee for Best Kept Village Competition) Cheque 100143		15.00	0.00	-15.00	
04/06/15	Lincolnshire Fieldpaths Association Subscription Cheque 100144		5.00	5.00	0	
09/06/15	Clerk's Expenses Cheque 100145		24.52	25.00	+0.48	
	B: Total Expenditure		339.11	340.00	0.89	
	Current Balance A - B					1027.52
	C: Projected Expenses					
	LALC Subscription			75.00		
	Newsletter Donation (if required)			50.00		
	Website Donation			65.00		
	Total Projected Expenses			190.00		
	Projected Surplus A-B-C (inc General Reserves £235.00)					+837.52