

CHRISTCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Christchurch Parish Council on Monday 14th July 2014 in the Sports Pavilion, Christchurch

Present	Cllrs: N Russell (Chair); W Beswick; J Bliss; S Freeland; R Gladwin; H Poole; W Poole; F Yeulett (CCC); W Sutton (FDC) J Richardson (Clerk); and 7 members of the public	
Apologies for Absence:	Cllr M Tanfield (FDC); PCSO Russ	
Declarations of Interest	Councillors to declare any interests under the Local Code of Conduct in respect of any item to be discussed at this meeting:-	
	a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest)	N Russell (Item 056/14)
	b) Non-Pecuniary Interest)	W Poole & H Poole (Item 056/14)
	c) Sensitive Pecuniary Interest)	

19.32-19.40 Public Time

It was asked if the Parish Council benefit from the bottle bank recycling and this was confirmed as correct.

The Heron was thanked for the last edition.

Disappointment was expressed on the lack of comment following the Highways meeting re 30mph in Euximoor Drove. It was confirmed that this was discussed and it was asked if the Parish Council would consider supporting this issue.

043/14

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th June 2014 were Proposed for approval by Cllr Russell, AGREED and signed

Agreed

The minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting held on 23rd June 2014 were Proposed for approval by Cllr Russell, AGREED and signed

Agreed

044/14

Matters Arising

Reply sent to FDC re Planning Application F/YR14/0369/F. No objections raised.

045/14

Police Matters

One crime reported:-

Took place between 13/15 June criminal damage to a vehicle on Church Road

046/14

County Councillors Report

Cllr Yeulett reported not a lot has happened at County Council. Some monies may become available from Local Enterprise Partnership and some of this funding may come to this area. A47 improvement is now on the radar.

Cllr Sutton reported that the Welney Causeway improvement has been brought forward by a year.

Training is to be provided at Fenland District Council for Councillors to have a better understanding of the mechanism of planning applications under the new Local Plan.

Meeting has taken place with Highways regarding the Sixteen Foot Road. Research will now be undertaken.

047/14

Recreation Ground

a) The Football team have paid for the second half of the season £120. New padlocks and keys reimbursement of costs have been approved at £23.38

b) Play Park invoices have been paid. An inspection is due and it is thought to have taken place last week. It was AGREED to combine the opening of the Play Park with that of the new village hall.

- c) Loss adjusters are to attend on Wed 16th July 2014, re ceiling damage in Pavilion Hall.
- d) No further update on merger of Charities
- e) Trees have been pruned on the Recreation Ground
- 048/14 Village Hall Committee**
- a) Village Hall Committee met on 23rd June 2014. Plot 1 has been sold and piping of the drain and filling of the ditch has now been completed. Planning Application submitted 19th June 2014, nothing more heard regarding the Rural Capital Grant.
- b) Letter received from Morton & Hall regarding their costs for the construction of the footway on Upwell Road. The costs are:-
Ratcliffe's £650 (detailed survey of new footpath)
Morton & Hall £1200 (costs for drawings etc.)
These costs were Proposed by Cllr Russell and AGREED **Agreed**
- 049/14 Highways**
- a) Local Highways Improvement Initiative Bid 2015-2016.**
Closing date for bids is 15th September 2014. Traffic enforcement schemes will need to be discussed with the Police prior to submission. Possible schemes are:- Euximoor Drove (30mph), Sixteen Foot Junctions (Padgetts Road, Upwell Road) and Signage for transport through the village. Further schemes to be emailed to the Clerk ahead of the next meeting.
- Street Lighting**
- a) The Category 1 lights should be identified later this month.
- b) The street light on Green Lane that is not working may be a Category 1 light.
- 050/14 CAPALC Membership**
- The issue of the Parish Council paying for CAPALC Membership was discussed and it was AGREED not to take this up. **Agreed**
- 051/14 Income & Expenditure**
- a) Concurrent Functions Grant of £917.00 has been received
- b) Members considered and **APPROVED** the following accounts for payment: **APPROVED**
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| J Richardson | Clerks Salary | £298.01 |
| Christchurch Village Resource Centre | The Heron | £80.00 |
| E Mason | Grass Cutting | £720.00 |
| | SUB TOTAL | £1098.01 |
- c) Clerk reported on the current bank balances at end June 2014:-
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| Community Account | 95,271.05 |
| Business Premium | 8,187.84 |
| Business Bonus | 27,528.25 |
| New Village Hall | 689.21 |
| BoS Corp Bonus | 10,689.99 |
| TOTALS: | £142,366.34 |
- It was Proposed by Cllr Gladwin and AGREED that the Clerk should look to amalgamating the bank accounts and provide on line access **Agreed**
- d) Budget is as expected at present
- 052/14 Concurrent Functions Grant**
- Cllr Russell to attend another meeting on 21st July 2014.
- 053/14 Planning/Development**
- a) Rural Housing Policy questionnaire was discussed and the Clerk is to respond. **Clerk**
- b) A discussion took place regarding Parish Councils being able to sell electricity, this is to be supported by the Parish Council and the Clerk is to submit this. **Clerk**
- c) Fenland Street Trading Policy was discussed and it was AGREED **Agreed**

- that Christchurch did not want to designate any streets in the village
- 054/14 Correspondence**
- a) Rural Services Network bulletins (emailed 09/06/14 & 24/06/14 & 30/06/14 & 07/07/14)
 - b) Launch of Ouse Washes Grant Scheme (emailed 09/16/14)
 - c) Rural Opportunities Bulletin (emailed 09/06/14)
 - d) Consultation on transport strategy in Cambridgeshire (emailed 09/06/14)
 - e) Invitation to attend Commemoration Service (emailed 09/06/14)
 - f) Fenland Secondary Education consultation (emailed 09/06/14)
 - g) Rural Services Network, Fuel Poverty briefing (emailed 11/06/14)
 - h) Police and Crime Commissioner letters, annual report (emailed 24/06/14)
 - i) Statement of Community Involvement, CCC (emailed 24/06/14)
 - j) Whittlesey Mayor Civic Dates change (emailed 24/06/14)
 - k) Cambs Acre Newsletter (emailed 04/07/14)
 - l) Letter from Parishioner re donations to The Herona) Rural Services Network bulletins (emailed 09/06/14 & 24/06/14 & 30/06/14 & 07/07/14)
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 - l) Letter from Parishioner re donations to The Heron
- 055/14 Donations/Grants 2014/15**
- Cllr Sutton reported that there are no 106 monies that can be used to help fund the new school swimming pool. It was Proposed by Cllr Russell and AGREED that the Parish Council will look at this again if the target is not reached. **Agreed**
- Cllr N Russell left the room and Cllr H Poole took the chair**
- 056/14 Allotments**
- The owners are keen to sell the land with vacant possession and have intimated that they do not expect the Parish Council to vacate the Poole Field with no payment.
- Cllr W Poole is to ask the landowners to write to the Parish Council with an offer. **Cllr W Poole**
- Cllr N Russell returned and took the chair**
- 057/14 Agenda Items/Next Meeting**
- The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Monday 11 August 2014. Items to be included on the agenda should be with the Clerk by Monday 4 August 2014. **ALL COUNCILLORS**
- Toll Road drain water is standing after the gully cleansing
 - Pavement collapsing outside Brimstone Cottage on Church Road
 - Pavement eroding opposite 40 Church Road
 - Scotts Road potholes
 - Green Lane potholes before Hole in Wall Farm

Meeting Closed at 8.55 pm