

HUNDLEBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 11th January 2017

Councillors present: Mrs P Badley (In the chair), Mr M Badley, Mr M Booth, Dr D Cartwright, Ms J Slaymaker, Mr A Foster, Mr M Dales and Mrs D Jacklin.

Apologies.

All Councillors were present so there were no apologies.

Declaration of Interest.

There were no interests to declare.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting had already been circulated to the Councillors and were approved, proposed by Cllr D Jacklin and seconded by Cllr D Cartwright, they were duly signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising.

The Chairman reported that the cupboards in the kitchen had been cleaned out and the cleaner had purchased some crystals to put in the cupboards to help prevent further damp problems. The cleaner suggested that the cupboard doors were left open to let air circulate.

Parish Rooms.

Cllr reported that the wasps nest had been dealt with and the outside painting finished. The Cllr was asked to contact the painter again to ask him to paint the inside of the new windows as soon as he could.

A price has been obtained for the tables for the Village Hall, they will now be ordered.

Village Green and Village.

Cllr had contacted the Highways Department to ask if grit bins could be provided. They had replied that they were unable to do anything. He had contacted Cllr Aaron to complain about L C C 's lack of help, Cllr Aaron suggested the Parish Council provide their own bins and claim the money back on the Precept. The Cllr will contact Horncastle Council to ask how they manage their gritting. The tree on the Village green has grown very large so it was suggested that it could be replaced with a slower growing yew tree. The clerk was asked to contact ELDC to ask if it can be cut down stating that the roots could damage the drains which run across the green.

Highway Problems.

The Cllr said he would contact the Head of the Highways department again and complain about the outstanding issues that had still not been dealt with, mainly the flooding.

Work on the property at the Old Reservoir at Raithby Hill has now been completed. The Clerk had written to the Council to ask if the footpath could be repaired but had had no reply.

A letter had been received informing the Parish Council that amenity grass cutting would no longer be carried out by the District Council and safety grass cutting would only be done twice a year instead of three times. This was due to council cutbacks.

Speed watch

Cllr had had a reply to the letter that he had sent to the Chief Constable who said that the speeding was an issue for LCC Highways department. However, a survey will be carried out on speeding. The wiring for this will need to be positioned near a lamppost and it was suggested that the survey should take place in the Hundleby Springs region of the Village as traffic comes down from Raithby Hill. The Cllr will also research details of a reactive speeding camera and costs.

Finance

e-on had taken £29.21 by direct debit for estimated electricity to 13.12.16.

The balances in the bank were £3183.12 in the Current Account and £2736.63 in the Deposit Account.

Precept

Councillors discussed in depth the financial position of the Parish Council and decided that the Precept would need to be increased by 5% this year. The Precept had remained the same for the previous 2 years. The figure of £2268.00 was proposed by Cllr M Badley and seconded by Cllr D Cartwright. All Cllrs were in favour.

Planning.

There were no planning matters to discuss.

Allotments

Cllr reported that the allotment which had been sublet was in a bad condition and he had contacted the lessee who said he would sort out the problem.

Correspondence.

Viking Link had sent a letter updating the council on the preferred cable route for the electricity cable.

The Best Kept Village competition sent notice that registration applications were available. Hundleby will not be entering the competition this year.

Notification has been received that LED lights would be fitted before March 2017; any broken streetlights would be repaired then.

East Lindsey District Council are holding the Great British Spring Clean to invite villages to clear litter from their neighbourhood. ELDC would provide picker uppers and sacks and would remove the sacks of rubbish collected. The Cllrs thought this was a very good idea and decided they would like to hold an event on Saturday 4th March. Notices would be put up and details put on the website asking residents to contact any Cllr if they were interested in joining in. This will be discussed again at the next Parish Council meeting.

The next meeting will be held on 8th February 2017.

The meeting closed at 9.20