

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FELTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE PAVILION ON TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2014

Present:

John Self (in the Chair)

Les Wright

Graham Buckley

Bob Clarke

Daphne Grint

Also in attendance:

Nicola LeDain (Interim Clerk)

Anthony Adams (County Councillor)

5 members of the public

1. Chairman's welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Paula Carter. John Starling (District Councillor) and Joanne Keeler.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

3. To Ratify the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 September 2014

The minutes were signed as being a true record of the meeting.

4 Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meetings on 2 September 2013

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- 4.1 4.1 – The tree root at the junction of The Street / Taverham Road should have been spray painted by Highways and completed during September, however this still had not been completed.
- 4.2 A clicker count of the traffic in excess of the speed limits was being conducted in Beech Avenue.
- 4.3 11.3 – Gunthers had been approached for completing the work at Bilney Lane loke, and had quoted £30 per hour plus VAT. It was hope that the work wouldn't take longer than a day to complete. It was AGREED that Gunthers would be asked to conduct the work and John agreed to speak to them.

5 Police Report

The Police Report had not been received in time for the meeting.

6 Reports from County & District Councillor.

The County Councillor reported that he had heard nothing from the Boundary Association regarding the roadsides of the road bends through the village. He reported that it was unlikely that the village would receive paths being constructed on the bends as it had been inspected and was causing no problem for motorists.

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7 Break for the Public to Speak

Members of the Village Hall Committee were in attendance to ask the Parish Council for funding towards the new play area for the village. It was clarified that a small area of the provisional new play area would be used by the playgroup but only when they were in session. However the larger part would be available to all.

There was a short discussion about claiming the VAT back from any play area purchases made, and the regulations of doing so. An offer of help was made by the Chairman.

Councillors AGREED to offer funding of 10% of the total spend, up to a maximum figure of £5000, from available S106 funds. It was hoped that this firm support would help the Committee in securing more funding from external sources. There were grants still outstanding that the Committee had applied for and it was hoped that there would be funds from those.

8 Correspondence

8.1 Thank you letters

Thank you letters were received from Charities which the Council had recently contributed to.

8.2 Village Defibrillator

A letter had been received offering the Council a chance to buy a defibrillator for the village from an independent source. As the village had 'First Responders', it wasn't deemed a necessity at present, however it was considered as something that should be considered for the future in consultation with the First Responders.

8.3 Grass Cutting Programme

A letter had been received from Mr Sibley, the contractor for the grass cutting, regarding setting up a work programme for cutting the grasses of the village. This would be at an extra cost, and therefore it was AGREED that it would be reviewed on receipt of his quote for the 2014/2015 season.

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9 Planning

- 9.1 20141363 – Non Illuminated Advert, Reepham Road - agreed to OBJECT
- 9.2 20141568 – Addition of double garage and new pitched roof at 6 Holt Road, Felthorpe –agreed NO OBJECTIONS

10 Finance

The following payments were agreed:

- Grass cutting - Mr Sibley (August and September) £285
- It was noted that the clerk would be pay her full salary for the period of time off sick, including expenses. The interim Clerk would also be paid for her time accordingly.

11 Village Matters

- 11.1 It was reported that there were tree stumps blocking the public right of way at the Hall Lane and Mill Lane junction. They were believed to have been dumped there.
- 11.2 Photos had been sent to the Chairman by Ray Sindell, of tractors and trawlers driving through the village. The photos highlighted the narrowness of the roads, and the limited space either side of the vehicles.
- 11.3 Restrictions hadn't been placed on the bio-digesters driving through the village late at night, as it was reported that one had been working at 11.30pm.

The meeting closed at 21.17

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 4 November 2014, 8.00pm.

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