

ASHBY CUM FENBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4TH JANUARY, 2016 AT 7.00PM IN THE CHURCH HALL, ASHBY CUM FENBY

Present: Cllr Cherry Ann Pearson Cllr Nick Pettigrew
Cllr Ed Tippett Cllr Stan Wood
Cllr Jane Thomson Cllr John Shaw
Cllr Philip Jackson NELC Cllr Iain Colquhoun NELC

Apologies:

In Attendance: Kim Kirkham Parish Clerk

15/100 Declaration of Interest (Model Code of Conduct Order 2012)

- (a) To record declaration of interest by any member of the Parish Council in respect of the agenda item's listed below. Members declaring interest should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

Cllr Nick Pettigrew declared a Personal Interest in Agenda Item 15/104 Whitsend Farm.
Cllr Jane Thomson declared a Personal Interest in Agenda Item 15/104-15/082-2 Land opposite Ash Trees, Third Lane

- (b) To note dispensation's given to any member of the council in respect of the Agenda Items listed below – None applied for.

15/101 Questions Raised by Members of the Public (15 minutes) on Agenda Items

- None present

15/102 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December, 2015

The minutes of the meetings held on 7th December, 2015 were approved and signed by the Chair as a true record. **Action: Clerk to prepare draft minutes by 8 January & to be posted 15 January, 2016**

15/103 Police Report

The Police were unable to attend the meeting, but a Police Report was submitted. There have been eighteen crimes reported for the Waltham Ward and one incident for Ashby cum Fenby
Action: Clerk to post Police Report on the Parish Notice Board.

15/104 Highways / Public Footpaths / Items Carried Forward

- *Whitsend Farm/The Thorns Footpath width (FP89) / 09/104 Misuse of Land Whitsend Farm.* Councillor Pettigrew having declared a personal interest left the room. The Chair read out a letter from Mr Wilson. The Parish Council discussed this matter further. **Action: On going.**

Cllr Pearson left the meeting. Cllr Pettigrew returned to the meeting and took the Chair.

- 13/060-3 Weight Restriction on Thoroughfare – Clerk confirmed that a letter has been sent to Mrs Pocklington and that the traffic team would respond by the end of January regarding placing improved signage. **Action: Ongoing**
- 14/064-3 BW91 Public Path Variation Order – Cllr Pettigrew read out a letter from The Planning Inspectorate advising that no statements of case has been received from the objector or other interested parties. Confirmation to attend the hearing on 9th Feb, 2016 was asked for. **Action: Clerk to confirm two attendees**
- 14/110-2 The Stable, Ashby Hill – Cllr Pettigrew read out an e-mail from Matthew Chaplin (NELC) stating that the case is remaining open and would chase for the planning application to be submitted. **Action: Clerk to enquire what is the acceptable time scale for a planning application to be received.**
- 15/044-2 Land behind Church – Clerk advised that Martin Ambler has confirmed that a letter has been sent to the landowner and that he would continue to monitor the site in case there are any further developments. **Resolved: Councillors agreed that no further action was needed. Item to be deleted**
- 15/061-1 Damage to Telephone Box – Clerk advised that she has obtained a quote for materials of £177.06. Ward Councillors agreed that ward funding was available to purchase the materials. The Parish Council agreed that they would pay for the fitting. **Action: Clerk to order the materials and email Ward Councillors banking information.**
- 15/061-3 Transparency Code Website – Clerk confirmed that the funding form has been completed and forwarded to ERNLLCA. **Action: On going**
- 15/070-2 Localism Plan – Clerk advised that fifteen forms have been received; all in agreement that a Community Led Plan is needed. Councillors decided to form a working group and agreed to meet on Monday 25th January in the Church Hall, at 7pm to discuss this matter further. **Action: Ongoing.**
- 15/082-2 Land opposite Ash Trees, Third Lane – Cllr Thomson having declared a personal interest gave a brief statement and left the room. Cllr Jackson advised that he had spoken to Mark Cawood about this matter and read out a letter that he had received from him. Cllr Jackson said that he would ask Mr Cawood to write to the Parish Council to explain the situation. Cllr Pettigrew suggested that clarification is needed; what is classed as a field shelter, how long can a caravan be sited and is it the landowner that has to apply for change of use or the person renting the field. **Action: Clerk to contact NELC**

15/105 Items for Discussion

1. Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations, June 2016- Clerk advised that one suggestion has been received. Councillors agreed to discuss this item further at their February meeting.
2. Mobile CCTV Cameras – Cllr Pettigrew read out a letter received from Waltham Parish Council, asking all local Parish Councils if they would be interested in jointly applying for funding for a mobile CCTV camera, which would be deployed in the rural community to tackle anti-social behaviour and crime. Councillors agreed that this was a fantastic idea, but agreed this would not benefit Ashby cum Fenby. **Action: Clerk to contact Waltham PC**
3. NELC consulting on possible additions to the local list of Historic Assets – Councillors agreed that they had no further possible additions. **Action: Clerk to inform NELC**
4. Auto-Enrolment (Pensions) Clerk advised that she would not be joining a pension scheme. The document was placed in the distribution.

The following documents were placed in the distribution pack:

15/106 Information Update

1. ERNLLCA Newsletter – December, 2015
2. The Future of External Audit for Smaller Authorities – update one
3. Planning Registers

15/107 Planning Matters

Pending Consideration:

- DM/0920/15/LBC – Listed Building Consent for the conversion of existing buildings into hotel accommodation and a garage with associated works including the installation of corridor extensions and partial demolition to create driveway access.

Pending Decision:

- DM/0753/15/FUL – Land Adjacent to Field Gates, Post Office Lane. Outline application for the erection of two dwellings and provision of turning area with all matters reserved.
- DM/0919/15/FUL – Conversion of existing buildings into hotel accommodation and a garage with associated works including the installation of corridor extensions & partial demolition to create driveway access. Hall Farm Restaurant, Ashby Lane, Ashby cum Fenby.
- EN/1083/15 – Alleged Breach: a caravan has appeared in the field opposite Ash Tree's, Third Lane.

15/108 Clerk's Report - To receive and report any correspondence from Councillors or Members of the Public for consideration at the meeting

1. The hedgerows along the Main Road have not been cutback. Cllr Pettigrew advised that the hedge on the B1203 on the right hand side (Longwood) also needed to be cutback **Action: Clerk to contact landowners**
2. The 40mph and S-bend signage have been cleaned.
3. Beacon for Queens 90th 21st April. The Parish Council agreed they would not be taking part.

15/109 Future Dates

- Date of Next Meeting – **Monday 1st February, 2016 at 7pm.**
- Planning Committee Meeting – Wednesday 6th January, 2016 at 10am

15/110 Finance

- To receive update from NELC and consider Precept for the year 2016/17 – The Parish Council reviewed expenditure and budget for 2016/17 and agreed that the precept be increased by 1.5%.
- To consider Grass Cutting Tender 2016/17 Tender was not received in time for the meeting.
- To receive a list of Accounts payable up to 4th January, 2016 and approve their payment
 - Kim Kirkham – Salary £122.40
 - Southern Electric – Telephone Box electric supply £5.60

RESOLVED: Accounts approved for payment.

The meeting closed at 20.35

Prepared by: Kim Kirkham, Parish Clerk

Approved by: _____

These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

Kim Kirkham, Parish Clerk

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