

FISKERTON-CUM-MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16th December 2013 at 7.30 pm in Morton Church Hall

Present: Councillors C. Price, Mrs. J. Blaney, S. Dickman, Mrs. C. Handy, P. Merryweather, T. Syme, and A. Milner.

In attendance: - District Councillor R. Blaney and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies

County Councillor Mrs. S. Saddington sent apologies and the Clerk was excused attendance because of illness.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2013 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising from previous Minutes

a. Cutting of hedges at "Fairfields"

Reported that the shrubbery around the 30 mph sign has been cut back.

b. Damaged wall at Bromley Arms

Noted that repair work due to be carried out by Christmas has been deferred to early January.

c. Playground report

Noted a new report for which payment was agreed.

d. Metal stakes along the river bank

Noted that the work has now been completed and retaining boards installed.

e. Community Fuel Purchasing

It was decided that this is probably not practical but Cllr. Dickman agreed to investigate further.

f. Street lights

Decided to ask Nottinghamshire County Council about the feasibility of putting a deflector on an offending street light and to advise resident accordingly.

g. Tip closure

Cllr Handy agreed to collect up the petitions after Christmas and then pass them to the County Councillor for presentation at County Hall. The District Council is also opposing the closure.

4. Public session

a. Village Green Carol Session

Agreed to give £85 towards the cost when receipts are provided.

b. Mirror at Ebenezer Corner

Following an accident there, a request was made for a mirror to be installed. Agreed to ask to County Council for its policy on mirrors. There was concern that mirrors may cause other problems, such as reflection from the sun, distraction of attention, etc.

5. Report from the District Councillor

a. CCTV

Noted that there had been what appeared to be a mini crime wave in the area and increased vigilance was recommended.

The possibility of installing CCTV was discussed and it was noted that East Stoke had recently installed such a system. It was agreed to ask the County Councillor whether she knew how East Stoke had funded the installation.

b. Neighbourhood Watch

Residents are urged to sign up for the e-mail notification of Neighbourhood Watch/Alert reports. Agreed that Cllr. Dickman would circulate his e-mail contact list to bring the service to the attention of residents

An arson incident was noted.

6. Highways

There were no other matters not covered elsewhere in the agenda.

7. Footpaths

There were no other matters not covered elsewhere in the agenda.

8. Planning Matters

Planning application considered

There were none.

Planning decisions noted

There were none.

Tree works noted

None were discussed.

Other planning matters

a. Appeals by Brackenhurst College against refusal of the erection of wind turbines and against a development at Stonewold, Gravelly Lane were noted.

b. A variation of the Bromley Arms license was noted.

c. Correspondence on a listed building survey and undefended villages representation was noted.

9. Community Matters

a. Dog fouling sign on the Village Green

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

10. Website

There was nothing to report.

11. Finance

a. Bank Statements

Deposit Account – statements to 20th November 2013.

The statements were presented for inspection.

b. Bills for payment

Parks & Playgrounds Solutions Ltd. – Inspection report dated November 2013
£30.00

The Post Office – PAYE - £123.00

Morton Church – Hall hire and grass cutting - £540.00

Payment of the Clerk's salary for the current month and expenses of £73.23 was agreed.

c. Precept 2014-15

Agreed to fix the Precept at £6,950, being the same amount as the previous year.

12. Correspondence

a. Vehicle weight limit for area

A revision was noted

13. Any other business/AOB for which written notice has been given

There was none.

14. Reports of delegates

There were none.

15. Date of next meeting – Monday 17th January 2014

Approved

Chairman

Date