

MINUTES: CORBY GLEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11th January 2017 at the Willoughby Memorial Gallery, Corby Glen.

Present: Cllrs Honeywood (Chair), Lamming (Vice Chair), Johnson, Muir & Fowler.

In attendance: Mrs. S. Parker (Parish Clerk).

Open Forum: Nothing noted.

1. **Apologies for absence:** received and accepted from Cllrs Grantham & Fox.
2. **District, County Councillor & Police Reports:** none noted.
3. **Minutes of the Parish Council meetings on 14th December 2016:** These were approved & signed as an accurate record.
4. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** none noted.
5. **Clerk's & Chairman's reports on matters outstanding:**

24/16 Play Area expansion – Miracle have tightened the springer handles and the final balance cheque has been paid.

55/16 BT 90 Day Consultation – removal of public payphones – Our request to adopt the box has been lodged with SKDC Planning and we should be notified of their decision in early 2017.

26/16 Hedges on A151 St Johns Drive junction & near railway bridge – Clerk asked Highways to trim the hedge back on the A151 at the corner of St Johns Drive, but their response is that the hedge is the responsibility of the relevant householders. Clerk to ask Highways to write to the residents to make them aware of this. Clerk to pass Highways email to the residents concerned.

The hedge encroachment near the railway bridge has been cut back.

47/16 Replacement trees on the Green – no further update. Replacement trees will be discussed when the tree consultant visits the village to inspect the trees.

65/16 Possibility of a village flag – Charles Read Academy has been asked to consider running a competition to design a new flag.

68/16 Proposed Tree report February 2017 – three quotes had been obtained which were discussed by Councillors. It was resolved to accept the quote from J. Wilcockson at a cost of £480.

16/16 Parking in Barleycroft and Bourne Road bungalows – SKDC have confirmed that both areas have been assessed. Order of priority is based on a list of criteria and as such neither of these areas are on the works list for the next financial year, but they are listed for future consideration. Residents who are willing to cover the cost of converting part of the grass area to gravel/tarmac for parking, should contact SKDC Property & Development.

6. Matters to be resolved:

52/16 Replacement disclaimer notice for village green – to consider the quote received. Councillors agreed to accept a quote of £50.11 inc. VAT from Viking Signs to produce an A4 black on yellow sign.

58/16 Precept 2017/18 : To consider and agree the precept for 2017/18. Councillors agreed to maintain the precept at its current level, Clerk to request a precept of £10,994 for the 2017/18 financial year.

7. **Circulated correspondence:** an email from LCC had been circulated confirming that grass verge safety cuts have been reduced to twice a year. SKDC confirmed that our amenity grass cutting will remain unchanged.

8. Reports from Committees:

Planning: s16/2450 conditions relating to s16/1492 The Steading, High Street approved by SKDC

Greens Committee: Cllr Fowler agreed to join the Greens Committee

9. Payments and Accounts

(i) Bank balances - monthly update approved as set out below

(ii) Invoices for payment - Councillors resolved to approve payments as set out in schedule below.

Payments and Accounts

Opening Bank balance from 1st December	£17,950.75
Income received on bank statement	
<u>Invoices cleared on bank statement</u>	
David Warden grass cutting November	£90.00
CDPC – Community cleaner November	£125.44
S. Parker – Clerk’s wages & expenses November	£278.94
S. Kiely – grass cutting around war memorial 2016	£130.00
Christmas Tree Fund Donation	£25.00
Cllr Honeywood – agreed Christmas expenses	£119.00
Grimsthorpe Estate Christmas Tree	£180.00
Closing Bank Balance 31 st December	£17,002.37
<u>Cheques to be authorised/cleared:</u>	
L. Chambers – charge for water usage on new play area (to clear)	£60.00
Miracle D&P play equipment final payment	£4,828.19
CDPC – Community cleaner December	£125.44
S. Parker – Clerk’s wages & expenses December	£285.92
M.Cooper Barleycroft/Pridmore lights electricity	£100.00
Cllr Honeywood – agreed Christmas expenses	£20.00
Glasdon – 2 benches	£970.92
Estimated remaining NatWest bank balance	£10,611.90
(excluding Defibrillator fund & play equipment fund)	£7,857.82)

<u>Defibrillator Fund (as of December 31st 2016)</u>	
Total banked to date (inc. VAT refunds):	£2,383.80
Purchases to date (inc. VAT):	<u>£1,648.08</u>
Fund remaining:	£735.72

<u>Play Equipment Fund (as of December 31st 2016)</u>	
Total banked to date (inc. VAT refunds):	£41,067.19
Purchases to date (inc. VAT):	<u>£39,048.83</u>
Fund remaining: (VAT refund of £161.82 due April)	£2,018.36

10. Matters to be further discussed at this meeting:

01/17 SKDC no longer supplying dog poo bags – dog poo bags previously supplied by SKDC were promotional give aways from the supplier and are no longer available. Councillors agreed to purchase 2,000 biodegradable dog poo bags to cost up to £40 inc. VAT and delivery.

09/16 Neighbourhood Planning review – five residents have expressed an interest in potentially forming a group to progress a Neighbourhood Plan. Clerk to contact the clerk at Colsterworth to establish what is involved and to determine relevant contacts at SKDC.

11. Next meeting confirmed to take place at 8.00pm at the Willoughby Gallery on Wednesday February 8th 2017.

Meeting closed at 8.47pm

Mrs. Sara Parker - Parish Clerk