

MINUTES: CORBY GLEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th October 2015 at the Willoughby Gallery, Corby Glen.

Present: Cllrs Honeywood (Chair), Lamming (Vice Chair), Johnson, Grantham, Muir, Fowler and Fox.

In attendance: Cllr M. Hill, Cllr N. Robins, Mrs. A. Roberts (Christmas Tree Fund) and Mrs. S. Parker (Parish Clerk).

Open Forum : Amy Roberts suggested the Christmas Tree Fund could help with a grant funding application from the South Kesteven Community Fund, for a new play area surface and possibly new equipment. Re-surfacing the play area is, however, the number one priority. The deadline for the first round of funding is October 30th. An application for £10,000 with the Parish Council funding 20% of the cost was suggested. 10% of the cost can be offset by in-kind volunteer time or materials. The Christmas Tree Fund could possibly raise £500 per annum to fund future maintenance costs.

1. Apologies for absence: none received.

2. District and County Councillors' Reports: Cllr Hill noted a dispute regarding the grass verge in Willoughby Close had been resolved. The area will be included and maintained under the current SKDC grass cutting scheme. LCC is on target to make budget savings of £130m but a further £130m of savings need to be found. It was also noted that the Government has agreed to localise business rates, this will come into effect 2018-19. The Greater Lincolnshire area has put in a devolution bid to fund skills, policing, prisons and the Environment Agency. Result should be known by December 2015. Cllr Robins outlined details of the South Lincolnshire Walking Festival, offering 70 guided walks in the district. A French market will take place in Bourne (Oct 16th) & Grantham (Oct 17th).

3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 9th September 2015: These were approved & signed as an accurate record.

4. Councillors' Declarations of Interest: Cllr Johnson - Love Construction planning application.

5. Clerk's & Chairman's reports on matters outstanding:

31/15 Green Space Mussons Close : An outline plan has been received from Romany Homes and distributed to Councillors. The Parish Council will comment formally on a full planning application as and when one is received.

34/15 Good Neighbour Scheme : 20 - 22 parishes have expressed an interest in setting up such a scheme. The Market Cross Surgery is undertaking a survey to establish the level of interest in the village.

45/15 Locations for next Archers Survey : The Road Safety Partnership indicated there are no current plans to carry out a survey in the village as the 2012 results of the survey on the A151 are still considered valid. Speeding remains an issue around the village. Clerk to contact RSP to request a survey is carried out on traffic entering the village on Swinstead Road near the rear exit to the Charles Read Academy, towards the bottom of Tanners Lane and on the High Street heading towards the Coop.

Clerk to contact PCSO Bowden to request an alternative location for the speed gun when deployed on the A151.

48/15 August 2015 tree inspection : the planning application has been submitted requesting permission to fell 8801 and to remove deadwood from 8806 and 8810. Councillors to determine when the work should be carried out if approved.

49/15 Irregular bank account activity : a full refund has been made to the Parish Council bank account plus a further £20.20 in compensation. Discussions will take place at the November meeting on how to distribute the hamper offered by the NatWest.

50/15 New salt bins for village : waiting to hear from Highways if our request for salt bins has been approved.

6. Matters to be resolved:

52/15 To consider a donation of £10 to the Methodist Chapel for the use of the chapel for defibrillator training : resolved, clerk to make payment.

7. Circulated correspondence: Highways South distributed an email regarding self-help in times of severe weather. Clerk to contact Highways to request a free 1 tonne bag of salt which Cllr Robins has kindly suggested could be stored at the Catholic Church.

8. Reports from Committees:

Planning

s15/1791 - Midlen, Pridmore Road, house extension - permission granted by SKDC
s15/2559 - Harwood, Corontaion Road, non-material amendments - approved by SKDC
s15/2285 - Baxter, the Old Rectory, tree works - approved by SKDC
s15/2283 - Robins, Catholic Church, tree works - no objections from the Parish Council
s15/2630 - Love Construction, Bourne Road, rear extension - no objections from the Parish Council but name listed incorrectly as Long

Greens Committee

Quotes received to re-surface the play area - discussed under Open Forum and under 56/15 below. It was proposed that Amy Roberts be seconded onto the Greens Committee to assist with the play equipment project, which was agreed.

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

Opening Bank balance from 1st September 2015	£10,047.57
Income received on bank statement (bank refund)	£ 355.61
<u>Invoices cleared on bank statement</u>	
Sara Parker - Clerks wages August	£ 280.02
CDPC - Community Cleaner August	£ 116.10
Andrew Belson tree report	£ 294.00
Rick Webster - July/August grass cutting	£ 363.60
Playsafety Limited play area inspection	£ 78.00
Closing Bank Balance 30.9.15	£ 9,271.46
<u>Cheques to be authorised/cleared:</u>	
SKDC May election costs	£ 77.00
Sara Parker - Clerks wages September	£ 271.99
CDPC - Community Cleaner September	£ 116.10
Rick Webster - September grass cutting	£ 363.60
Bourne Skip Hire	£ 192.00
Estimated remaining NatWest bank balance (of which £565.20 dedicated to the defibrillator fund)	£ 8,250.77
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Defibrillator Fund (as of September 1st 2015)	
Donations made directly into bank account :	£ 390
Cash & Cheques paid into account :	£1,235
Parish Council donation :	<u>£ 500</u>
Total donations banked :	£2,074
Purchases :	
Defibrillator, cabinet and paediatric pads	£1,558.80 (inc. VAT)
Fund remaining :	£ 565.20

10. Matters to be further discussed at this meeting:

51/15 Consideration of purchase of flag for Commonwealth Day 2016 : Councillors resolved not to purchase a flag for this occasion, but will fly the flag which Cllr Grantham advised he would purchase.

53/15 Provision of village Christmas tree : the Parish Council has had an offer of a Christmas Tree from a resident on Station Road. The only cost implication would be the removal of the tree from the garden. Councillors will view the tree to determine its suitability. If this tree is not viable it was resolved that a tree would be purchased from the Grimsthorpe Estate at a cost of £180 + VAT.

54/15 Weeds on footpaths : the verges along the footpath which runs from Pridmore Road to Tanners Lane is full of weeds. Clerk to contact Highways to request they be sprayed.

55/15 Remembrance Sunday (Leaf clearing / wreath / PA system) : Clerk has contacted Rick Webster requesting a grass cut prior to Remembrance Sunday to help with leaf clearing. Clerk to contact Totemic to request use of their leaf clearing machine, and Clerk to contact Mr. R. Adcock to ask if he may be willing to use his ride on mower to help with leaf clearing. The wreath will be supplied via John Dawson.

It was resolved to borrow the PA system from the Christmas Tree Fund at a cost of £25.

56/15 Play equipment - potential application for grant funding from the South Kesteven Community Fund was discussed. It was proposed, and resolved to draw up an application for £10,000. Quotes to be obtained by the Greens Committee for replacement play surface area and, potentially, upgraded play equipment. Application to be submitted for the first round of funding by October 30th, if feasible.

11. Next meeting confirmed to take place at 8pm at the Willoughby Gallery on Wednesday November 11th 2015.

Meeting closed at 9.16pm

Mrs. Sara Parker - Parish Clerk