

MINUTES: CORBY GLEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 13th December 2017 at the Willoughby Memorial Gallery, Corby Glen.

Present: Cllrs Honeywood (Chair), Lamming (Vice Chair), Muir, Fowler, Fox, Collins & Walsingham.

In attendance: Cllr. M. Hill, Cllr. N. Robins & Mrs. S. Parker (Parish Clerk).

Open Forum: nothing reported.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** none received.
- 2. District, County Councillor & Police Reports:** Cllr Robins reported that £40m is being invested across the district. Plans for the Designer Outlet Village near Spitalgate have been approved. A staff survey was carried out with a very high 72% response rate – 2/3 of staff are happy working for SKDC and are happy with the work they are doing. Discussions regarding two new leisure centres are ongoing. SKDC are to implement their own team of 4 to ticket dog fouling / littering / fly tipping etc. On the spot fines will be issued to offenders. £1m has been spent cleaning the district. Work has started on the new cinema with a planned opening date of February 2019. All town markets will be getting new stalls / covers and power supplies. A new tourism manager has been appointed.

Cllr Hill reported that the Fairer Funding Campaign is up and running. There is nothing in the Government's budget for Adult Social Care, but they are starting a consultation on how to fund Adult Care in the future. 20,000 miles of gritting was done over the weekend of December 8th/9th using 5000 tonnes of salt. Issues at Grantham Hospital A&E are still not resolved. Sufficient numbers of consultants were recruited to run the department, but NHS Improvement have intervened and carried out a review, and the Clinical Senate has now declared 38 staff are required to re-open A&E fully. UHT Board will meet to discuss hours.

- 3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on November 8th 2017:** Approved & signed as an accurate record.
- 4. Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** none noted.
- 5. Clerk's & Chairman's reports on matters outstanding:**

09/16 Neighbourhood Planning – Cllrs Honeywood & Walsingham attended the SKDC Neighbourhood Planning workshop. The next Neighbourhood Planning meeting will be held on Tuesday January 9th at 7.30pm at the Willoughby Memorial Gallery. Cllrs Walsingham and Muir volunteered to join the Neighbourhood Planning Committee.

69/16 Dyke next to allotments on Tanners Lane – the dyke has been cleared out but the verge has been eroded making it potentially more hazardous for cars. The verge markers, purchased to protect the grass on Tanners Lane, have been erected to warn drivers of the danger. Clerk to contact Highways to ask for a kerb to be installed next to the dyke. The verge markers will remain until an alternative solution is in place. It was agreed 10 traffic cones would be purchased to protect the grass verge further down Tanners Lane until the verge markers can be installed.

55/17 Making good the grass verge on Tanners Lane – it was agreed 10 traffic cones at £4.50 each + VAT would be purchased to protect the grass until the verge markers originally purchased can be installed.

59/17 Planting of new trees on the Green – 4 Lime trees have been planted in between trees 8810-8814 on Station Road.

66/17 Registration of triangular piece of land at bottom of Tanners Lane – it was agreed to pay the £40 fee to register a caution against first registration for the piece of land.

72/17 Tree, Queen's 70th Anniversary – a Silver Birch has been planted on the triangle at the bottom of Tanners Lane to commemorate the Queen's 70th Wedding Anniversary.

- 6. Matters to be resolved:**
- 7. Circulated correspondence:** it was agreed no comments would be made regarding the LCC Street Lighting consultation..
- 8. Reports from Committees:**
 - Planning:**

S17/1946	Williams, High Street	tree works	work allowed by SKDC
S17/2170	Harwood, 1 Bourne Road	tree works	no objections
 - 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 November 2017	£13,681.99
Income received on bank statement	
<u>Invoices cleared on bank statement</u>	
Cllr R. Fox – replacement glass BT kiosk	£112.32
CDPC – Community cleaner October	£129.44
French4Trees – felling of 8810	£960.00
Cllr Fowler – expenses, Remembrance wreath	£20.00
D. Warden - Grass cutting October	£70.00
Closing Bank Balance 30 st November	£12,390.23
<u>Cheques to be authorised/cleared:</u>	
Harwood Builders – repair toddler tower posts	£291.60
LALC – J. Walsingham Councillor training	£25.00
D. Warden – grass cutting November	£160.00
S. Kiely – 13 cuts War Memorial grass	£130.00
CDPC – Community cleaner November	£129.44
S.Parker – clerks wages & expenses October & November	£587.18
Grimsthorpe Estate – Christmas Tree	£180.00
The Simpsons – donation for power for Christmas lights	£25.00
S. Honeywood – Christmas expenses	£140.00
R. Fox – purchase of trees for the Green	£78.00
Estimated remaining NatWest bank balance (excluding Defibrillator fund & play equipment fund)	£10,644.01 £ 9,066.60)

Defibrillator Fund (as of November 30th 2017)

Total banked to date (inc. VAT refunds):	£2,383.80
Purchases to date (inc. VAT):	<u>£1,761.40</u>
Fund remaining:	£622.40

Play Equipment Fund (as of November 30th 2017)

Total banked to date (inc. VAT refunds):	£41,425.44
Purchases to date (inc. VAT):	<u>£40,470.43</u>
Fund remaining:	£955.01

10. Matters to be further discussed at this meeting:

49/17 Annual Play Area Inspection – Cllr Fowler to obtain a quote for protective sleeves for the new timber stilts.

67/17 Loss of Post Office services to local businesses – The Post Office have confirmed a mobile service will visit Corby Glen in the New Year. Clerk to ask for dates, times and location of the service.

69/17 Precept 2018/19 – initial discussions – it was agreed the annual precept for 2018/19 would remain stable at £11,000. Clerk to submit the request form to SKDC by the January 19th deadline.

71/17 Grantham Hospital A&E opening hours – A&E opening hours are set to remain at 8am – 6.30pm despite a recruitment drive for consultants. The original target of 21 consultants was achieved, however, this target has been increased to 38.

73/17 Drop off heights on pavements around village – it was agreed the drop off heights were deemed acceptable.

74/17 Grass cutting responsibility for land at bottom of St Johns Drive – it was agreed to ask MSC to include the piece of land in our grass cutting schedule at a cost of £125 per year.

75/17 Community Speedwatch Initiative – it was agreed the PC would express an interest in the scheme. A full detailed discussion will take place at the January meeting.

76/17 Safety matting under rocking horse needs cleaning – it was agreed David Warden would be asked if he could clean the matting.

77/17 Replacement/removal of litter bin between the Primary School & Methodist Church – the litter bin is damaged and is used by children to climb onto the Primary School. It was agreed the bin would be moved to the other side of the path.

78/17 Market Place surface repairs – the surface is pitted and broken and has been reported to Highways.

79/17 (06/16) Parking in Barleycroft Road & Bourne Road Bungalows – Clerk to contact SKDC to see if there are funds available in the 2018/19 budget to improve parking in these areas.

80/17 Clerk's appraisal January 2018 – it was agreed the clerks' appraisal will take place in January. Clerk to circulate available dates to Cllrs Honeywood & Lamming.

81/17 Possible financial donation towards refurbishment of Church Street Rooms – it was agreed the PC would offer £250 to the project, subject to a successful grant application from SKDC by the Church Street Rooms Committee.

11. Next meeting confirmed to take place at 7.30pm at the Willoughby Gallery on Wednesday January 10th 2018.

Neighbourhood Planning meeting to take place at 7.30pm at the Willoughby Gallery on Tuesday January 9th 2018.

Meeting closed at 9.31pm.

Mrs. Sara Parker - Parish Clerk