

AILS WORTH PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11th JANUARY 2016
IN THE METHODIST CHAPEL AT 7.30PM.

Present: Mrs J Pickett (Chair), Mr R Perkins, Mr J Judge, Mr R Ingram, Dr M Ellershaw, Mrs C Murrell, Mr D Edwards. **Clerk:** Miss J Rice

Members of the public: Mr H Codd

Questions from the floor; Mr H Codd explained that he was there to talk about the current planning application to remove trees at his property. He realised that there are some concerns. However, these were speculation only about his intentions and not in relation to the tree removal. He confirmed the Tree Conservation Officer and Conservation Area Officer had both been to visit and were satisfied with all aspects. Mr Codd explained that he would consult people if he wanted to do anything further, and would re-instate the old stone wall if appropriate. All agreed that there are no issues or concerns with the tree removal.

1. Apologies; Cllr J Holdich, Cllr D Lamb, (both at other meetings)

2. Minutes from the last meeting on 14th December 2015. These were agreed as a true record, proposed by Mr J Judge, seconded by Mr R Perkins and signed as correct by the Chair.

3. Matters arising: None

4. Declarations of interest;

5. Village Defibrillator; The defibrillator has been installed in the Ailsworth telephone box now, however is not yet working as it needs to be linked to the ambulance station – this is in progress. It will also be moved down as it is installed too high. The second training session is 13/1/16 at 7pm.

6. Council reports

6.1 Recreation ground;

6.1a The baby swing has now been returned.

6.1b Different spring options for a self-closing gate have been researched and a suitable one was agreed at the meeting.

6.1c One quote for hedge cutting has been received however is being queried. A further one will be requested.

6.1d A tree survey has been carried out and a report and schedule of works received. This was agreed to be carried out as soon as possible and paid for before 31/3/16.

6.2 Planning

6.2a 15/01714/CTR Pruning and crown lifting/reducing of 9 trees at 54 Main St. No concerns raised. **Permitted** 26/11/15

6.2b 15/01645/HHFUL and 15/01505/LBC proposed demolition of existing pub toilet and building of new annex at rear of 121 Peterborough Road.

6.2c 15/01920/CTR Removal of 5 trees and tree work to 1 tree at rear of 119 Peterborough Road. **Permitted** 23/12/15

6.2d 15/01988/HHFUL/LBC Increase in chimney height at 41 Main St. Awaiting decision.

6.2e 15/01996/HHFUL Single storey side and rear extension to 17 Normangate. Awaiting decision.

6.2f 15/02091/CTR fell 2 conifers and thin silver birch at 15 Maffit Road. Awaiting decision.

6.2g 15/02186/CTR Fell 2 prunus nigra, and 4 lawson cypress, one apple tree and elder at 41 Main St. See above.

6.2h Mrs C Murrell informed the meeting of a public consultation that is due on the primary school's wish to change the current single mobile classroom to a double width one, to enable each year group to have a separate classroom and it will also lead to a rise in class numbers in 2017. There are 2 public meetings on evenings of 21/1/16 and 28/1/16 being held in the school hall where residents can see plans and comment. There are some concerns over associated car parking.

6.3 Neighbourhood plan update. There is a joint meeting of Parish Councils and NP committee on 22/1/16 to discuss progress with work done, visions, recommendations for the future needs of the villages and appropriate input needed from both Councils. Revised Terms of Reference for the various groups working on the plan have been drawn up and circulated for agreement. The application for the second grant is in progress. The recent invoice for data analysis has been altered to split 50/50 between Parish Councils.

6.4 Village groups;

6.4a The Woodlands' demolition prior approval has been refused. There was concern over the intention to leave the rubble in piles on site.

6.4b The Queen's 90th birthday celebration committee have asked for a judge of the floats. Also, that the grass is cut short before the celebration.

6.4c Donations of money are available for youth project resources if identified, and other village groups if they are in need of assistance. Enquiries will be made of some groups.

- 6.5 Village Hall;** Slow progress continues on the lease. Rental prices have increased.
- 6.6 Parish Land and Allotments;**
6.6a Request for land for the model railway group. A letter has been received but no land is available or suitable.
6.6b The request for the water trough has been chased up.
- 6.7 Footpaths and Rights of Way;**
6.7a The Helpston Road flashing speed sign has been reinstalled, however it is again not working as the battery needs replacing. A new battery will be installed asap.
6.7b 20mph speed limit is agreed for Station Road. A discussion took place about further speed controls there as traffic has built up and it was agreed to invite the PCC highways officer to the next meeting.
6.7c Parking near the Surgery was discussed following a concern raised by a resident. A new sign may be suggested.
6.7d New, permanent signs about picking up dog poo will be investigated.
- 6.8 Bus Shelter/post box.**
6.8a Fortunately the post box festive hat was returned to its rightful place.
6.8b The new xmas lights on the green looked nice and help with this was appreciated.
- 6.9. Trees and Bio-diversity**
 A regular tree inspection has been carried out – see above.

7. Finance:

7.1 Account Status: Current account £15490.41 Deposit accounts £2998.31 Reward saver £5408.55. £5000 growth bond

7.2 Income: None

7.3 Payments: £41.66 plus vat A Ribbons Xmas lights

7.4 Expenses: It was agreed to pay these forthcoming invoices;

7.4a J Rice TSO web hosting fee £2.49 plus vat

7.4b R Ingram mileage £24.40

7.4c NP data capture and report fee Hercules Direct Marketing £575 plus vat

7.4d Tree survey and associated costs

7.4e Hedge cutting

7.4f New gate hinges at recreation ground

7.4g J Hodder, mileage to NP meeting

7.4h Clerk's pay £206.94 plus £24 home office costs payable 31/1/16 and 28/2/16

Proposed by Mr J Judge and seconded by Mr R Ingram

8. Expenditure against income Oct-Dec 2015 report This was circulated and discussed.

9. Budget/priorities/projects 2016/17, precept. Projects to be funded from reserves, and the level of reserves still needed were discussed. The draft budget figures for 2016/17 were discussed and agreed. Burial fees are needed before the pre-cept forms can be completed.

10. Parish News to include article on picking up dog poo and parking considerably in busy areas.

11. Report from meetings attended/upcoming meetings; The Parish Council Liaison meeting was on 16/12/15 and feedback has been circulated. Joint Parish Council Neighbourhood plan meeting is 22/1/16.

12. Correspondence. The Rights of Way Improvement Plan consultation booklet was given out for completion.

For circulation;

- Weekly planning sheets
- Rural crime and information update December 2015
- Special meeting of Parish Council Liaison date
- Report on Parish Liaison meeting 16/12/15
- CAPALC ebulletin Nov 15
- Barnack Parish Council press release FYI
- PCC rights of way improvement plan
- Safer Peterborough Partnership structure
- Minutes of Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities

**Meeting closed at 9.40pm Next meeting is 7th March 2016 (no meeting in February at present)
 at 7.30pm in the Chapel**