

Minutes of the Meeting of Upton with Fishley Parish Council held on Thursday, 3rd September 2015 in the Village Hall

Present:

Philip Armes (Chairman)	Debbie Durrant (Vice-chairman)	Anne Whelpton
William Leonard-Morgan	Ginny Pitchers	
Mike Brown	Nigel Brennan	
Pauline James (Parish Clerk)		

There was one member of the public present, together with District Councillor Frank O'Neill. Matters raised including people driving too fast around the village and planning enforcement issues.

Apologies:

Tom Garrod, county councillor.

Declarations of Interests in Items on the Agenda and Requests for Dispensations:

Anne Whelpton reminded councillors of her interest in the boat dyke. Debbie Durrant moors her boat at the boat dyke.

Minutes:

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 2nd July 2015 were agreed to be correct, and were signed by Philip Armes, as Chairman of the Parish Council.

Matters Arising:

1. The boats in the garden at Chapel Road have been covered. The councillors felt that they are still unattractive and should still be removed.
2. A larger rubbish bin has been provided by Broadland District Council at the staithe car park. Anne Whelpton reported that rubbish is still being left near to the recycling banks, which is being moved to her skip. It was agreed that litter should be reported to BDC, even if it is then removed, so that they can gauge the true situation.
3. George Taylor has carried out some of the maintenance works, including the repainting of the swing frames, with others to be completed shortly.

Correspondence:

1. It was agreed to give a donation of £50 to Foxy Lodge Wildlife Rescue as nominated by Janet Southgate as a thanks for her litter picking around the village.
2. It was agreed to purchase 30 anti-speeding posters which can be stuck on residents' wheelie bins to remind drivers to slow down.
3. BDC published draft policy documents on its Gambling and Licensing Policies. This was noted.

4. BDC also sent notice of the adoption of its Development Management Development Plan, which now forms part of the adopted Local Plan.
5. PCSO Paul McAllister sent a report that there had been no recorded crimes since the July meeting.
6. Advance notice had been received of plans for a foot race around the area in 2016, including along footpath 1 and across the fields to Acle. Councillors had no objections to the race in principle but had concerns that the footpaths might be badly churned up after the race. Ginny Pitchers is meeting with the organiser shortly, as he wishes to discuss hiring the hall, and will report back at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance b/f at 2nd July 2015

£
818.03

Receipts:

Mooring fees

1,096.00

Grazing fee 2 months

180.00

Transfer from savings

2,000.00

NCC - verges

142.65

War Graves Commission – annual payment

20.00

Cemetery fees

360.00

Cheques for payment:

VAT due

857.58

John Barber – cleaning shelter

26.00

Justin Nudd – work at playing field

65.00

Online payments:

P James – clerk's fee and expenses – August so

300.00

- Online

21.62

P James – September so

300.00

- online

36.36

Norfolk Pension Fund - August

105.08

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105.08

HMRC- clerk's PAYE - August

76.40

- September

76.40

Acle Parish Council – share of expenses

13.78

Garden Guardian – grasscutting - July

868.35

- August

868.35

Berryman – glass recycling

16.62

Playsafety – RoSPA inspection

135.60

Balance c/f at 3rd September 2015

744.46

Savings Account

8,853.84

Savings Account

0.29

Active Saver

40,382.00

Repairs and Renewals Account

53,635.64

Total Monies

103,616.23

The above amounts were agreed for payment.

Planning Matters:

1. **F P Molineux, Fishley Hall** – change of use of barns for use as a wedding venue (BA/2015/0271/CU). The councillors had no objections to the plans in principle. It was agreed to request that all music should cease by midnight in order to reduce noise for neighbours. It was also agreed to ask that the location for the parking for 50+ cars should be marked on the plans. It was noted that the private road to the hall had been improved recently.

Village Hall and Playing Field:

Ginny Pitchers reported that bookings for the hall are good. The recent band evening was very successful.

There was a report that two dogs were seen to be on the playing field, without supervision. This will be monitored.

Village Pond:

NCC have said that their ownership at the village pond only extends to the carriageway. It was agreed that the clerk should apply to register the pond in the Parish Council's name up to the boundaries of the adjacent houses.

Neighbours have erected new fencing. There was some discussion about the colour of one of the fences. It was agreed to wait until Spring to see if the colour fades.

It was agreed to pay the owners of The Forge for the electricity used by the pump.

Boat Dyke and Staithe:

The Environment Agency has still not replied about the lease.

It was agreed to cut back the vegetation at the car park and to have the rails repaired. The clerk was asked to contact George Taylor to ask him to do the work.

It was also agreed to clear some of the trees at the rear of the picnic area, and to cut some of the ivy on the trees, in order to let more light onto the grass.

Any Other Business:

1. It was noted that the ditch has been filled in at 14 Marsh Road. The councillors were concerned that this might cause flooding.
2. It was agreed to consider bank stabilisation measures to prolong the life of the piles.
3. There was some discussion about moving the post box to The White Horse.
4. The next meeting will be on Thursday, 1st October 2015.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 1st October 2015.