

Minutes of the Meeting of Upton with Fishley Parish Council held on Thursday, 7th July 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present:

Debbie Durrant (Vice-chairman)
Anne Whelpton
Mike Brown
Pauline James (Parish Clerk)

Ginny Pitchers
Nigel Brennan

There were no members of the public present.

Apologies:

Philip Armes (Chairman) and William Leonard-Morgan

In the absence of the Chairman, Debbie Durrant chaired the meeting.

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

None.

Minutes:

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd and 21st June 2016 were agreed to be correct, and were signed by Debbie Durrant, as Chairman of the meeting.

Matters Arising:

- 1 The clerk had obtained details of trees which flower in February to assist flying insects; silver wattle, pussy willow, common alder and winter flowering cherry. It was agreed to consider some planting in the Autumn.

Correspondence:

- 1 It was agreed to give a grant of £50 to Faith Animal Rescue as a thanks to Janet Southgate who works hard to collect litter from around the village.
- 2 BDC has invited councillors to attend a training session of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, on 20th September. Ginny Pitchers and Nigel Brennan offered to attend.
- 3 There is a Youth Engagement event on 18th July at BDC. The clerk will attend.

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts:	£
Mooring fees	1,328.00
Football rent, April and May	80.00
Grazing fee – 1 month	91.66
NCC – verges	144.51
Eastwood Whelpton – share of MOT	259.20
Online payments:	
Pauline James – clerk's fee and exps	81.13
s.o.	300.00
Norfolk Pension Fund	127.38
HMRC – PAYE & NIC	90.80

Garden Guardian – grasscutting	876.90
J Barber – cleaning bus shelter and board	26.00
FAITH Animal Rescue Centre – donation	50.00
Balance c/f 7 th July 2016	<u>128,792.26</u>

The balance includes a reserve of £49,382 payable to the Environment Agency and earmarked reserves of £60,720.
The payments were authorised.

Planning:

None.

Village Hall and Playing Field:

1	George Taylor has been asked to firm up the anchors of the zip wire frame.
2	Ginny Pitchers reported on a meeting with Acle United Youth Football Club; there have been a few problems when members of the teams or their families have used the toilets in the village hall. There was some discussion about whether a portaloo would work, or whether it would be viable to build a toilet on to the end of the village hall. It was agreed that the club could site a container, painted dark green, on the far side of the field for storage of maintenance equipment, but with a refundable deposit of £200. Any other structures sited on the field, such as a hospitality cabin or portaloo, would also require a refundable deposit of £200. It was agreed to request a meeting with the football club to discuss this further.
3	There were complaints that some young people have been using the village hall car park to drive around on their mopeds, making a lot of noise and leaving litter.
4	There are molehills on the far side of the playing field.

Boat Dyke and Staithe:

1	The Environment Agency had contacted the clerk to say that the revised draft lease would be sent out shortly. Nothing had been received in time for the meeting. A special meeting will be called once the revised lease is available.
2	Ginny Pitchers and the clerk met with Cally Smith and Tom Hunter of the Broads Authority. It was agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • posts marking the current line of reed growth on the right hand side would be installed just before the Environment Agency starts work to remove the piling, in order to monitor future reed growth • a post will be reinstated to mark the limit of the parish 24 hour moorings on the right hand side • drawings for the design of the bank at the spine drain will be considered at a later date • the parish council will put up additional signs for the 24 hour moorings

Any Other Business:

- 1 It was reported that Footpath no: 2 is very muddy and needs a plank or walkway. Footpath no: 10 needs cutting.
- 2 The vegetation needs cutting at the junction of Hanging Hill and Acle Road.
- 3 It was agreed to investigate NCC parish partnership funding for a vehicle activated sign to encourage drivers to slow down on entering the village.
- 4 A problem with the electricity supply to the pond had been reported. Philip Armes had offered to investigate.
- 5 George Taylor will be asked to remove some of the yellow water lily which is spreading across the pond.
- 5 The next meeting is on Thursday, 1st September at 7.30pm. No meeting is planned for August.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40 pm

Signed:.....

1st September 2016

Chairman