



NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF MEETING OF NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 11 February 2015 AT 7.00 pm IN THE VILLAGE SCHOOL

Present: Cllr J Dadge
Cllr R Chiva
Cllr R Lord

Chairman

Cllr M Spinks
Cllr B Spriggs
Cllr L Steen

In attendance: One member of the public and PCSO M Webber (Police report item)

Open Forum

Police Report

PCSO M Webber said that during the period 15 January 2015 to 11 February 2015 there was sixteen calls on the service.

These comprised:

Three messages, seven concern, one sudden death, two animals and three suspicious circumstances.

There were two crimes during the period – a theft from a vehicle on Lincoln Road and a person having a dog out of control on Deeping St James Road.

She was thanked for her report.

Footpath Forum

No report

1792/15 Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Cllr C Cavanagh and Cllr M Sleet.

1793/15 Declaration of Interest

None

1794/15 Minutes of Meeting of the 14 January 2015

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

1795/15 Matters Arising [for information]

**1768/14 1752/14 Dog Bins
1777/14 Dog Bin Church Street**

Peterborough City Council has installed the new dog bin.

Cllr Lord reported that the bin in Church Street has been replaced with a new bin with a lid.

1768/14 1755/14.02 Northborough Manor

The Chairman said that he has been informed that the Owner will be placing the property on the market again in the spring.

1777/14.01 Trees

The Contractor has still to return to carry out the work.

1790/15.01 Burial Ground Waste Bin

The Clerk was instructed to replace the existing bin with a 660 litre bin. The requirement to ensure the correct waste was placed in a brown bin could not be guaranteed.

Clerk

1796/15 Precept 2015 – 2016

The Clerk presented a draft Budget for use in determining the amount to be set for the Precept.

The total Expenditure for the year is recorded as being £37,000 and Income (without the Precept) of £9,075.

Parish Councillors, during their discussion, considered retaining the same Precept as set for the current year of £26,000. They were advised that this would leave a balance of £1,925, which would have to be taken from Reserves.

It was agreed to set a Precept that matched the Expenditure of £27,925 for the year 2015 - 2016.

Clerk

This will be an increase of 7.4% compared to the amount set for 2014 – 2015 or an average of some £3.49 per household for the year. The exact amount would be variable depending upon the Band in which a property is allocated.

1797/15 Planning

No applications received.

1798/15 Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Dadge said that a meeting has been arranged for Parish Councillors on the 21 February 2015 to discuss the next stage and the various policies that can now be drafted.

He said that he proposes after that meeting to arrange a meeting with Peterborough City Council to review the content with them and agree the next stage.

Cllr Dadge

1799/15 Finance

1799/15.01 Payments

The following payments were approved:

Mrs Baxter	Wages [January]	£ 256.67
Mr Bloodworth	Wages [January]	£ 80.00
HMRC	PAYE	£ 120.40
Athene	N'hood Planning	£ 595.00

1799/15.02 Receipts

The following receipts were noted:

Village Hall	Wages	£ 200.00
Cross	Memorial	£ 50.00
Buckles	Donation	£ 2,250.00

1800/15 Training

Cllr Lord said that he is in discussion with CPALC regarding training course for the new year.

Cllr Lord

1801/15 Correspondence

Covered by other Minutes.

1802/15 Village Matters

1802/15.01 The Stables Paradise Lane

A Parish Councillor said that he has been approached by the Owner's Solicitor, for advice from the Parish Council, in respect of any compromise in relation to the rejected Planning Application and Appeal on the site.

Parish Councillors agreed that the unlawful use of the site and building for residential purposes had gone through due process and is a matter between the Owner and Peterborough City Council as Local Planning Authority.

1802/15.02 Grants

Cllr Steen said the Village Hall Committee is approaching Buckles Solicitors to enquire if they can apply for any of the grants they supervise. It has been suggested that Northborough and Deeping Gate Parish Councils, together with the Village Hall, also approach them to see if any grant could be sought in respect of the cost of the repairs to the drains and toilet.

Cllr Steen

Cllr Steen said that she will liaise with Deeping Gate Parish Council and the Village Hall on the matter and possibly arrange a joint letter from all three Bodies.

1802/15.03 Bus Stop

Parish Councillors agreed that the new bus stop was a great improvement.

1802/15.04 Play Equipment

The new piece of play equipment in the Children's' Area on the Playing Field is due to be installed during the week commencing 9 February 2015.

1802/15.05 Village Sign

Cllr Steen said that she has obtained some information in respect of the new sign, installed in Peakirk. She is making enquiries as to the name of the supplier.

Cllr Steen

1803/15 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 11 March 2015 in Northborough School at 7.00 pm.

Signed..... Date.....