

Lydford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 11th November 2014

Present: Cllrs Fowler, Moriarty, Skeaping, Dicker & Evenett.

Also Present: Mrs S Holland, Mrs K Boyd, Mr T Williams, members of the public. Ms D Moyse, WD Borough Councillor. Mrs R Mills, Devon County Council Public Rights of Way Manager.

Cllr Fowler welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited members of the public to speak.

Mrs Mills introduced herself and explained her role as Public Rights of Way Manager at Devon County Council. Mrs Mills explained that the most recent project locally was the instigation of multi use of a section of the Granite Way and handed out maps to show the detail. Councillors asked questions of Mrs Mills and raised concerns that the gates had been removed at the road section where now children and dogs would be at risk. Also raised were concerns of horse manure on the path, the speed of cyclists and use by the Hunt. Mrs Mills advised that she would discuss the gates with her team and that most likely; the gates would be installed for safety. Mrs Mills also advised that horse manure removal cannot be enforced and that cyclist speed should calm down with the introduction of multi use signage and visible evidence. Mrs Mills invited Councillors to keep in touch and monitor the route over the forthcoming months.

Mrs Holland thanked the Parish Council for the cleaning of the flagpole. It was noted that Cllrs Skeaping and Leigh-Tyrer were responsible for the works.

- 1. Apologies**
Cllrs Tainsh & Leigh-Tyrer.
- 2. Declarations of Interest.**
None. Otherwise as recorded in the Register.
- 3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th October 2014.**
The minutes were agreed as accurate and signed by Cllr Fowler.
- 4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th October 2014.**
 - a) Code of Conduct**
The revised model had been previously circulated and Cllrs agreed to adopt this new model.
 - b) Website**

Mrs Holland was invited to speak and gave the Parish Council a message from a resident who had offered to assist the Parish Council in the creation of a website. The Clerk took the telephone number and name of the gentleman.

Other matters:

Cllr Fowler circulated a draft Management Agreement for the Playground and the Councillors read through each clause and with one minor amendment, it was agreed that the Agreement was suitably worded. Cllr Moriarty requested that Councillors be allowed to further read the document at home and raise any queries at the December Meeting. It was clarified that this timescale would fit in with the Sports Field Committee also checking the document.

5. Reports from outside bodies.

None.

6. Borough Councillors Report.

Cllr Moyse gave a verbal report on matters involving DNPA and WDBC covering affordable housing in the National Park and the Railway link through Lydford. Councillors discussed the railway and considered that the Parish Council should be canvassing the residents to ask for their comments. It was agreed to circulate a small leaflet to each household and place an agenda item for the next meeting.

7. Finances.

The Clerk advised of the cheques for payment:

£289.45 Mrs Luke for November 2014 including expenses

£57.80 Inland Revenue November 2014

£40.00 Royal British Legion

The payments were approved. The Clerk advised that Mr Taylor had quoted an annual sum of £50 to cut the grass on the triangle at entrance of Hawthorn Park. Councillors agreed to accept this.

The Clerk circulated a draft Budget ahead of the next meeting to finalise the Precept for 2015-2016 and this was discussed.

8. Planning Applications.

None.

9. Correspondence.

The correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting and Councillors discussed the response from DCC Highways advising that a 20 mph speed limit was not possible. Councillors agreed that this would be looked into further and the Clerk was asked to contact PC Chapple to see if he could assist in proving that speeding is an issue and also to write to the Primary School, to ask whether its' School Travel Plan indicates the need for a reduced speed limit outside the school.

10. Agenda Items and Date of next meeting.

The date of the next meeting will on 9th December 2014 with agenda items for the Website, Speed Limit, Parish Precept and the Railway.

- 11. Urgent additional business by leave of the Chair.**
None.

The Meeting was closed at 8.20pm.

Signed

Date