

Lydford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2015

Present: Cllrs Fowler, Moriarty, Skeaping & Dicker.

Apologies: Cllrs Evenett, Leigh-Tyrer & Tainsh

Also Present: Mr T Williams, member of the public. Mrs T Redding, new Clerk to the Parish Council

Cllr Fowler welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies

Cllrs Leigh-Tyrer, Evenett & Tainsh.

2. Declarations of Interest.

None. Otherwise as recorded in the Register.

3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th December 2014.

The minutes were agreed as accurate and signed by Cllr Fowler.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th December 2014.

Cllr Skeaping advised that there was now a sign at the end of the Granite Way but no gates reinstalled. The Clerk advised that Ros Mills of DCC had acknowledged the Parish Council's email and would be speaking to Mr Freeman.

a) Speed Limit.

The letter from Mr Ellington requesting the Parish Council's support in obtaining a Vehicle Activated Speed Sign for the A386 was discussed. Councillors agreed that this should be supported and will consider a TAP fund application. Cllr Fowler advised that the next deadline for the next TAP fund application is the 14th February and some work would need to be done quickly to meet this date. The Clerk was asked to draft a response letter to Mr Ellington and liaise with the Chair.

5. Reports from outside bodies

Cllr Fowler spoke on the Parish Lengthsman issue, and Highways recommendations for Communities to appoint volunteers. It was noted that at the last Southern Links Meeting there was much discussion and general objection to the use of volunteers. It was noted that further discussions were taking place at DCC and it was agreed the Parish Council would wait for the outcome of these discussions. In the meantime the Clerk was asked to contact

the grass contractor to check on his Public Liability Insurance with a view to later instructions of additional duties.

The blocked drains were noted outside the Primary School and next to the Chapel. The Clerk was asked to email the details to the relevant body.

6. Borough Councillors Report

No Report.

7. Finances

The Clerk advised of cheques for payment:

£349.66 Mrs Luke for January 2015 including expenses

£77.60 Inland Revenue January 2015

The payments were approved.

Cllrs discussed the grants again:

Lydford School. It was noted that there had been no response to date following the Parish Council's letter in December. It was agreed to chase this up and place an agenda item for the February meeting.

St Petroc's Church. It was agreed to make a grant of £592.00.

Lydford Playground Project. It was agreed to make a grant of £500.

Lydford Sports Field. It was noted that there had been no response to date following the Parish Council's letter in December. It was agreed to chase this up and place an agenda item for the February meeting.

Tree Tops (early years group, Bridestowe). The Clerk advised of a call from the manager requesting further time to respond to the Parish Council's letter. It was agreed to place an agenda item for the February meeting.

8. Planning Applications.

None.

9. Correspondence.

The correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting. A response from the Department of Transport was read out and the Clerk was asked to reply and query whether or not the Parish Council would be consulted. Cllrs discussed writing to the local MP should the response be negative.

10. Agenda Items and Date of next meeting.

The date of the next meeting will on 10th February 2015 with agenda items for Grant Applications, Speed Limit, Website and Clerks contract of employment.

11. Urgent additional business by leave of the Chair.

None.

The Meeting was closed at 7.35pm.

Signed

Date