

**Minutes of a meeting of the Tydd St Giles Parish Council held on Thursday 11th October 2012 in the small room at the Community Centre Tydd St Giles at 7.15pm**

Present R Mallett (Chairman), C Drewry, B Francis, M Johnson, S Long, M Taylor, R Wright (Clerk),

FDC Cllrs P Hatton, C Seaton, PcsO D Russ, W Jarvis, Mrs Magnus, ANO

Apologies for Absence CC Cllr S Tierney, FDC Cllr M Humphrey

343/12 Casual Vacancy – The Chairman confirmed that the vacancy would be filled by co-option.

(Members are reminded that failure to attend meetings for six consecutive months, without a reason approved by the council shall end that member's term of office) .  
RESOLVED – That William (Bill) Jarvis be duly co-opted as a member of the parish Council. Mr Jarvis duly completed his declaration of acceptance of Office and was invited to join the Council.

The Clerk reminded all Councillors that the Register of members interest should be completed and handed to him as soon as possible.

344/12 Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th July 2012 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record.

345/12 Matters Arising

a) Dog bins Eau Dyke Bank and Kirkgate – The Clerk reported that he was still waiting for Fenland DC officers to contact him. The actual cost of a bin was in the region of £150. Cllr Seaton agreed to check with the Officers the position.

b) Old School House – Cllr Mallett confirmed that FDC were still investigating the matter. The Clerk referred to an article that the Home Secretary was introducing powers to allow Councils to get untidy gardens etc in order. The Chairman also referred to Pinch Penny house, High Broadgate East which had been reported to the Planning Department. Cllr Seaton agreed to check the situation and suggested that complaints were directed to the enforcement officer of the planning department.

346/12 Police Matters        A Police report had been circulated.

347/12 Cambridgeshire County Councillor Report    Cllr S Tierney had circulated a report to the Clerk which was forwarded to Councillors.

348/12 Fenland District Council – Cllr Seaton reported that he was not aware of any issues. Cllr Hatton would report upon matters under planning.

349/12 Correspondence

a) Audit Commission – The Clerk reported that Littlejohn LLP have been appointed as external auditor for five years from 1st September 2012.

b) Rural Cambs CAB – invitation to become a Member of Rural Cambs CAB. The Council felt that no benefit would be arrived at by becoming a member but were interested in a possible outreach worker being assigned to the village. The Clerk would contact them to ascertain the position.

c) FDC – Fenland Communities Development Plan – Core Strategy DPD The Clerk reported that further consultation were held from 26th July 2012 until 5th September 2012.

d) Victim Support – Request for donation RESOLVED – That no donation be given

e) Brigstock and Wrens – The Council's appointed representative Mrs M Rollins term of office comes to an end this year. Consideration was given to appointing a representative. RESOLVED – That Mrs M Rollins be re-appointed.

f) ABC Pre School Kids Club – Request for a donation of £170 to cover planning fees to renew planning application for continued use of site. RESOLVED – that a donation of £170 is made

g) Grange Wind Farm – The Chairman reported that the meeting on the 4th October 2012 was poorly attended

He confirmed that the site would be up and running by June/July 2013 and funds would be available in the new year.

#### 350/12 Planning

Applications for which observations are requested.

FYR12/0509/F objections	P Grant Bowling Green, Kirkgate – 2 dwellings – no objections
FYR12/0512/F Refused	Mrs A Magnus Amberley Hockland Road – 3 dwellings -
FYR12/0517/F opposed	M Heathcote Village stores Church lane – change of use –
FYR12/0588/F WITHDRAWN	N Howling Potential House Kirkgate – 3 dwellings -
FYR12/0610/TRTPO tree – no objections	P Magnus Amberley Hockland Road – felling Whitebeam
FYR12/0611/F access- ok	P Tilney Fruit Cottage Hannath road – dwelling and new
FYR12/0657/F	D Moore Windy Willows Church lane – 4 dwellings – strong objections – access considered dangerous.
FYR12/0678/F	J Fox Nutwalk Farm Bythorne Bank – 24.6m turbine – same objections to confirm by e mail

FYR12/0731/F Golf Club Kirkgate – 50 leisure homes – a site inspection is to be made on 19th October

FYR12/0113/F Wind Venture4s Ltd 4 x 126m Turbines at Treading Field – appeal lodged with

Planning Inspectorate – comments by 24 October 2012. Cllr Hatton stressed that all objections count so residents and the Parish Council should lodge any.

The Clerk referred to a letter about Planning Consultations – all plans to be in size A3 maximum rather than the larger plans at A1 and A0. Reduce the amount of supporting documents, i.e flood risk assessments and biodiversity reports. RESOLVED – That the Council had no objections to the proposals.

#### 351/12 Highway Matters/Street Lighting

a) Street lights – consideration for new lights or replacement lights for 2012/2013. Cllr Johnson reported that FPC3 & FPC5 High Broadgate were in bad shape. A possible site would be down Kirkgate.

b) Highway matters – Cllr Johnson reported that he had been unable to contact N Band. The Clerk would email highways and ask them to contact Cllr Johnson. The salt bins would soon need filling at the Church, School and Foul Anchor. The positioning of the other would be made later.

c) Footpaths – The sign on the path Church Lane to High Broadgate was still not in the right position. The Clerk to contact the footpath officer.

d) Churchyard - War Memorials – Cllr Mallett and Cllr Jarvis would clean the memorial in the Church and Cllr Taylor the one at Foul Anchor. T Hampson had undertaken bush clearance at the Foul Anchor site.

#### 352/12 Income & Expenditure

a) The Members considered and approved the following account for payment:

CGM landscapes 150.62	Grass cutting	125.52	25.10
W Rowell	village directory		570.00
Fenland D C	Empty bin		79.69
T Hampson 396.00	Grass cutting	330.00	66.00
R Wright	Clerks salary		701.48
Cambs CC	Pension		259.75
HMR&C	paye		93.00
Tydd St GCC&RG	Donation		59.15

CMG Landscapes	Grass Cutting	188.28	37.65	225.94
Brigstock & Wrens	Rent			135.00
CGM LTd	Grass cutting	125.52	25.10	150.62
ABC Pre School Kids Club	Donation			170.00

b) The Clerk circulated a schedule of income of £9,434.08 and expenditure of £12,074.07 for the period ending 30th September 2012. The balances held at Barclays bank were £1,105.23 and £22,621.90.

c) The Council considered the Clerks Salary and allowances. RESOLVED that the Clerk's hourly rate be increased from £10.84 per hour to £11.50 per hour as from 1st October 2012.

d) Risk management – The Clerk reported that a home risk assessment had been undertaken and a general review of policies and procedures.

353/12 Allotments Cllr Mallett reported that there were no issues on the allotments and all were being well farmed. A rent review would be undertaken at the next meeting.

354/12 Community Centre Cllr Francis reported that no problems were evident and funding for the play equipment was still under re-view.

355/12`Dates of Meetings 2013

Thursday 17th January at 7pm – Annual Assembly Thursday 21st March at 7pm – Council meeting 21st March at 7.15pm – AGM Thursday 23rd May at 7pm – Thursday 25th July at 7.30pm and 10th October at 7.15pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.40.