

Minutes of the Meeting of Tydd St Giles Parish Council held on Thursday 15th October 2015 at the Community Centre Tydd St Giles at 7.15 pm.

Present R Mallett (Chairman), W Jarvis, G Mathias, M Carter, G Minney, M Taylor, R Wright (Clerk).
Mrs J Simpson, Mr Simpson, J Maxwell, Mrs Maxwell, MGA Burton, K Lee, C Ross, M Humphrey, S Clark,

Apologies for Absence Cllrs C Seaton,

The Chairman introduced Lynnette Groves who is the new Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer. Her appointment commences on 15th October 2015. The current clerk will terminate his employment on 31st October 2015. The Chairman reported that Mr Wright would act as a Consultant to assist the new Clerk and attend the January meeting.

548/15 Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED ó that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23rd July 2015 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record.

549/15 Matters Arising

- a) Old School House ó Further to minute 535/15a the Clerk reported that FDC had served a section 215 enforcement notice on the owner requiring works to remediate the building and tidy the site. A four month compliance had been allowed up to 1st February 2016. A response is currently awaited from the owner.
- b) Neighbourhood Plan ó Further to minute 535/15b the Committee were awaiting a meeting with liaison officer. Draft proposals were coming along nicely for consideration by the Parish Council.
- c) Litter picking ó going well. There was a good turnout at the last one. The next one is to be held on Nov 7th 10.30 p.m. meeting at the Church.

550/15 Police Matters ó Dave Russ reported that he was covering for PcsO Sue Clarke who is on Secondment for 4 months

On 13th August a 13/08 shed burglary Hannath Road.

The North Rural Forum took place on 18th September at Newton

The police will no longer send Representatives to Parish Council meetings due to monetary cuts. One of the councillors are writing to say that we still require updates.

Cllr S Clark reported that she had had contact with an outreach worker who is keen to attend meetings.

551/15 Cambridgeshire County Councillor Report No report was received.

552/15 Fenland District Council -

- a) Newgate Road has experienced flooding. The Chairman met with P Sharman of the North Level Drainage Board. Resolved a need to get someone to check pipeline, need to chase Highways to see if they have done any further investigation.
- b) Survey letters to residents to get peoples views where budget savings should come from, so they can prioritise where to save and spend money.
- c) Planning training ó this is on November 26th. M Carter indicated that he would like to attend.
- d) Street lights ó the position had not changed
- e) Planning application ó Grange Hill Road ó had no response from parish. No objections

553/15 Correspondence

- a) PCC ó Green Burial Site ó Request from PCC to PC to extend the existing hard surface pathway so that it continues up to the new hedge, to make it more accessible for wheelchairs etc. The width would be 4 foot and length 110 feet. Options are a concrete path or a woodland path. Chairman replied that

the Council could not make a decision until they had quotes in front of them. The council would consider making a contribution once all the details were at hand.

- b) Grass overgrown ó The PCC thanked Parish Council for continued maintenance of grass in the churchyard and asked for a donation to cut the meadow area. CGM have quoted £175 + vat. W Jarvis agreed to look into the matter.
- c) North Level District IDB ó Day visit on Wed 14th October 2015. Cllrs Mathias, Minney & Carter attended. Cllr Carter said that it was a good day, very informative and enjoyable. Cllr Minney agreed with him.
- d) Village Directory ó Cllr Jarvis reported that the directory has not been updated since 2008. A quote from A Rowell has been received £825. RESOLVED ó that further quotes be obtained.
- e) Post Office Hosted Outreach Service - At the Community Centre on a Thursday 14.00 to 16.00. It will be at Newton in the village hall on a Thursday 11.30 to 13.30. This will start next week.
- f) Brigstock & Wrens Charity ó The Council's appointment of O Williams and M Taylor expires at the end of the year. The Council to consider appointments for the new four year period from January 2016. RESOLVED that O William and M Taylor be re-elected.
- g) East Anglian Air Ambulance -The Trusts Officer at East Anglian Air Ambulance enquired whether the Parish Council would make a donation. RESOLVED to give them £100.
- h) Noticeboard ó The Chairman reported that it had been replaced and the new one is ready to be fixed up on the wall.

554/15 Planning

Applications for which observations are requested.

FYR15/0637/F F Coulson The Bungalow Broad Drove East affordable Housing 12 dwellings
Concerns were expressed as housing is for rent only ó if for sale £135k to £155k ó development should not proceed as clearly Tydd St Giles needs affordable housing for first time buyers. Need to carry out fresh housing needs survey and open a register of interest for potential buyers and identify suitable site or sites and be approved at a public meeting. RESOLVED ó that they be asked to withdraw the application.

FYR15/0662/F C Brooks The Keepers Church lane ó extension ó no objections

FYR15/0693/F A Hensby Beechwood Farm Grangehill Road ó barn conversion ó no objections

FYR15/0702/F S Curson 67 High Broadgate 2 dwellings ó no objection

FYR15/0704/F Cheetham Park House Park Road 16 ground solar panels ó no objections

FYR15/0749/F Gill Grangehill Cottage dwelling ó no objection

FYR15/0792/F E Wheeler Hollingworth House Hockland Road ó dwelling

FYR15/0776/F Sharp 2 Eaudyke Bank óm dwelling

FYR15/0860/F T Hopkin Allenby Farm Broad Drove West - extensions

Appeal Ref: APP/D0515/W/15/3026781 Fruit Cottage, Hannath Road, Tydd Gote,
was dismissed

555/15 Highway Matters/Street Lighting

a) Street lights ó no other matters were reported

b) Highway matters.

Public Footpath High Broadgate ó offensive notice on public footpath sign ó matter reported to police.

LHI ó It was agreed that no bid would be made in the 2016/2017 budget.

Ravens Bridge – There is an on-going project for there to be a pathway under the bridge at Tydd Gote to come out at Foul Anchor. The local MP is looking into it. Cllr Clark met with the MP yesterday and is keen to be involved in this project.

556/15 Income & Expenditure

a) The Members to consider the following account for payment:

PKF Littlejohn	Audit fee	300.00	60.00	360.00
LGSS	Clerk pension			329.44

Inland Revenue	Paye	18.80
R Wright	Clerk salary	905.59
Brigstock & Wrens	Annual rent	135.00
R Wright	Salary	329.62
LGSS	Pension	109.81
East Anglian Air Ambulance	Donation	100.00

b) The Council considered income & expenditure. A schedule was circulated.

The Clerk reported that income & expenditure were in line with the budget and the Rural Grant from FDC had been received. RESOLVED that the report and actions be approved.

c) Risk Management ó The annual review of the internal control arrangements and risk management would be undertaken later in the year. The Clerk reported upon the Transparency Code 2015 and its implication upon the Council.

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557/15 Allotments No issues at the allotments were evident. 100% collected.

558/15 Foul Anchor

The Clerk reported that a tree branch had damaged the Memorial at foul Anchor but a local stone mason has agreed to undertake repairs free of charge. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the stone mason (Coates of Wisbech) thanking him for undertaking the work. Cllr Taylor reported that the tree had been inspected and Cllr Taylor reported that arrangements to clean the War memorial were in hand.

Cllr Jarvis would check arrangements for cleaning the Memorial at the Church.

An issue with Sluice Cottage Front Road, would be checked with Lincs County Council.

559/15 Community Centre

The Chairman reported that grants were being investigated to upgrade the heating system and the matter of the gates had been deferred.

560/15 Date of Next Meetings

Date of next meeting ó 21st January 2016 at 7.00pm

10th March 2016 Annual Parish Assembly at 7.00pm Council meeting at 7.30pm

May 19th 2016 at 7.00pm

July 21st 2016 at 7.00pm

October 13th 2016 at 7.00pm

The Chairman thanked the out-going Clerk for the work he had undertaken as parish Clerk since his appointment in 1999.

Meeting closed 20.05

No member of the public had asked to bring any matter to the attention of the Council in Public Time.