

Minutes of the Meeting of Tydd St Giles Parish Council held on Thursday 10th March 2016 at the Community Centre Tydd St Giles at 7.30 pm.

Present Cllr R Mallett (Chairman), Cllr M Carter, Cllr G Minney, Cllr M Taylor, L Groves (Clerk), M Hale-Smith, M Jupp, Cllr C Seaton, Cllr V Ware
Mrs J Simpson, Mr Simpson, J Maxwell, Mrs Maxwell, B Rowell, W Rowell, C Ross, A Thompson

Apologies for Absence Cllr S Clark, M Humphrey, R Wright

573/16 Vacancies – Two names have been put forward to be considered. G Minney proposed Michael Jupp and M Carter seconded. RESOLVED to co-opt Michael Jupp as a Councillor on Parish Council. R Mallett proposed Martyn Hale-Smith and V Ware seconded. RESOLVED to co-opt Martyn Hale-Smith as Councillor on Parish Council.

574/16 Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st January 2016 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record.

575/16 Matters Arising

- a) Old School House – Cllr C Seaton (FDC) read out a letter he had received from the head of planning and enforcement. Works have not commenced so the notice served has not been complied with. After meeting with the gentleman who owns the Old School House there are a lot of doubts that he is unable to make any decision for himself. He has had health issues in the past and now has mental health issues also. No progress can take place until a decision has been made if he can make his own decisions or whether an advocate can be put in place. Once this has happened we can then progress. FDC are continually looking at this case, it is always on the agenda of the FDC meetings. Cllr Ware replied that it is a positive thing and she thanked the Councillor and said it was good to receive feedback.
- b) Neighbourhood Plan – Nothing to report
- c) Village Directory – Chairman had received two quotes – C Payne £2.45 per issue and W Rowell £1.65. The Chair asked if any Councillor could take charge of dealing with this. Cllr V Ware replied that she thinks it is a great advantage to have a Village Directory so she agreed to do it. G Minney proposed and R Mallett seconded. RESOLVED that Cllr V Ware will take over sorting out the Village Directory.
- d) Re:567/16 Should read Cllr S Clark reported that FDC have approved FYR15/0792/F subject to conditions not FYR15/1119/F
- e) PCC Green Burial Site – Now looking for cheaper quotes
- f) Street lights – Foul Anchor – A dispute over a street lamp is still on-going as to what category it is. Cllr G Minney said that he would go and look at it and report back.
- g) Highways and church – Cllr R Mallett proposed that we need named councillors to take charge of matters concerning the above. Cllr R Mallett proposed Cllr M Hale-Smith will be councillor for Highways seconded by Cllr G Minney – RESOLVED Cllr M Hale-Smith Highways. R Mallett proposed M Jupp for Church and seconded by Cllr V Ware. RESOLVED that Cllr M Jupp be Church Councillor.
- h) Dog fouling – Cllr M Hale-Smith commented that if there is a problem with dog fouling you can contact FDC and they can come out and spray and take further action.

576/16 Police Matters –

Police Representative Report from PCSO Helen Norton-Smith
North Rural Forum – the New Horizon Outreach Vehicle has visited Tydd St Giles on 1st February 2016.

No crimes reported.

General concerns – There have been a number of shed burglaries in the Wisbech rural areas. Police are interested in the following vehicle:- Green Volvo V70 P225MLR

577/16 **Cambridgeshire County Councillor Report** No report was received.

578/16 **Fenland District Council** – Cllr S Clark was unable to attend the meeting. Cllr Seaton reported that FDC have been in negotiations – the government want a Devolution Deal including 23 Counties to cover all of East Anglia. At the moment they are in the process of signing a memo to continue talking about it, making no commitment. Peterborough and Cambridge have reservations about going in to it and the Police and Fire Brigade have withdrawn from it. This had to be signed by 12 Noon today, if all council leaders sign there will possibly be an announcement in the Budget next week. The general thought that it is best to be involved in talks and to find out what opportunities are available than to be totally excluded.

579/16 **Correspondence**

- a) – The Clerk read out a letter of complaint from M Cooper who is concerned about the speed of vehicles that drive down Church Lane.
Cllr R Mallett commented that he knew that there were cameras being erected in Tydd St Mary which had been for by the Wind Farm. Tydd St Giles is within the area that can apply to the Wind Farm for a grant. Cllr Jupp asked how many were going up and were they movable? Two are going up and they are movable. Cllr Hale-Smith said that he would look into applying to the Wind Farm and he would liase with Cllr S Clark and report back. He also thought that more elements could be looked at for outside the school.
Clerk will reply to Mr Coopers’ letter and let him know the matter was discussed and is being looked in to.

580/16 **Planning**

Applications for which observations are requested. None

F/YR15/1092/PNC04 – Change of use of agricultural buildings has been withdrawn

581/16 **Highway Matters/Street Lighting**

- a) Street lights – no other matters were reported
b) Highway matters.

Nature walkway – Cllr R Mallett reported that the Drainage Board have given permission for the Nature Walkway to Foul Anchor. The Golf Course have already offered to put clap gates in and cut the grass free of charge. We only have to pay for the Clap Gates and iron railings for under Tydd Bridge which will be about £7000. Sutton Bridge Power Station have already said that they are interested in giving a donation. The pumping station is going to open 3 times a year to the public for people to look round. Now a councillor has to be appointed to go and meet with Cllr S Clark. If the walkway goes ahead Newton will look into erecting a path to come and meet the walkway. Cllr R Mallett proposed M Hayes-Smith , seconded by M Carter, RESOLVED M Hale-Smith will be the assigned councillor to deal with the Nature Walk.

Queen’s 90th Birthday – Cllr R Mallett asked if anybody knew of anything that had been planned to celebrate this, but nobody did apart from the Litter Picking (Clean for the Queen).

582/16 **Income & Expenditure**

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

L Groves	Salary Feb	215.59
Fenland DC	Empty Wheelie Bins	86.74

R Wright	Consultancy	169.08
L Groves	Salary Mar	215.59
R Wright	Consultancy	31.82
R Hillam	Bench	422.00
FDC	Election Recharge	231.08

RESOLVED that actions be approved

583/16 Allotments – The abandoned car has now been removed.

An enquiry has been made from Paul Unwin who wishes his name to be added to the waiting list for an allotment. This has been done.

584/16 Foul Anchor –

- a) The new bench has now been erected and is very good.
- b) Yellow lines have appeared around all the pot holes, so maybe these will be getting repaired shortly.
- c) There has also been a request for the lettering ‘SLOW’ to be re-instated near a dangerous corner.
- d) There has been a slight problem with the lane between The Anchorage and The Hollies with finding a name for it. It is in discussion, residents have been told ‘Back Road’ if all residents agree.

585/16 Community Centre

- a) Cllr M Carter reported that the main heating has been installed and he is keeping a watch on metre readings.
- b) They are now looking at installing smaller heaters in the toilets etc., waiting for a price.
- c) There is an on-going problem with cars getting onto the field. The committee would like gates and railings to be erected to eradicate this problem. If they the Parish Council agree to erecting the railings they will obtain two quotes for the job. Cllr M Jupp and Cllr V Ware abstained from following vote. Cllr R Mallett proposed that they go ahead installing the railings – vote carried. RESOLVED to erect railings at the Community Centre.

586/16 Date of Next Meetings

May 19th 2016 7.15 p.m. Council Meeting 19th May – Apology received from Cllr Seaton in advance.

PUBLIC TIME

John Maxwell had requested to speak

He stated that in 2014/15 he was the Councillor responsible for street lighting. At the time there was a discrepancy regarding a street light being a Cat 1 or Cat 2. He has tried to give relevant documents through e-mails to the Parish Council, but was told to bring them and present through a meeting.

The street lighting they are going to replace is not a Cat 1. Balfour Beattie, on 12th May 2014, identified only a Cat 1 outside ‘Peregrine’ on High Broadgate. He had been to look at said light and there was nothing wrong with it. Recently this light has been replaced but by whom? There is a street light in Foul Anchor that might be dangerous but this has now been replaced and again by whom? And who paid?.

J Maxwell said that he would give his information and documents to Cllr M Hale-Smith if he required them.

Meeting Closed 20.06 p.m.