

## Beckingham Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7pm

**Present:**

Cllr P Thorpe (PT), Cllr L Tatton (LT), Cllr A Brewer (AB), Cllr G Else (GE), Cllr Pat Woodman (PW), Cllr Sue Howe (SH) & Diana Johnson – Parish Clerk (DJ)

Minute	Action
<p><b>15/01 Public Time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No public present at the meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>15/02 Police Time</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCSO reports that no crime in the area at the moment. Question from PC regarding shooting on the Playing Field, advice to call it in as it is happening.</li> </ul> <p><b>15/03 District &amp; County Councillor Time</b></p> <p>SH gave brief update of activities in the district, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 fines will be levied for persistent offenders of garden waste in the black bins.</li> <li>• Unemployment down 1%.</li> <li>• NKDC still safest place to live in the country.</li> <li>• Refurbishment of NK Centre is ongoing.</li> <li>• New Council homes are being built.</li> </ul> <p>PW gave brief update of activities in the district, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tesco no longer coming to Sleaford.</li> <li>• Brant Broughton affordable housing project going ahead near to Fire Station, 14 properties.</li> <li>• SID repairs required.</li> </ul> <p><b>15/04 Apologies for absence and reasons given</b> None</p> <p><b>15/05 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting</b> Minutes of the meeting held on 24.11.14 were discussed, amended, approved and signed.</p> <p><b>15/06 Matters outstanding from previous meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grass cutting contract. DJ to post to John Daubney.</li> </ul> <p><b>15/07 Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.</p> <p><b>15/08 Finance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas event expenses for PT and LT.</li> <li>• Office supplies expenses for DJ.</li> <li>• Clerk's wages 50% paid.</li> </ul> <p>Bank balances: Money Manager - £272.80 Current Account - £4,401.87</p>	<p>DJ</p>

Precept:

Comments and discussion:

- NKDC grass – ask again if we can cut this ourselves.
- Adoption of telephone box (discussed possible use for community defibrillator).
- Post Box.
- Tree Survey amenity woodland.
- Election Costs.
- Increased grass cutting costs including playing field.
- Donations – PCC grass. Discussed possible cost of boundary fence with Church.
- Litter picking expenses. DJ to write letter.

DJ

Precept discussed and draft calculations to be amended to take into account the above points. £8,000 unanimous agreement. GE to re-draft and DJ to submit to NKDC.

GE & DJ

Income:

Western Power Distribution wayleave £19.64 cheque received.

#### **15/09 Planning Matters**

None

#### **15/10 Correspondence**

- Local Grammar School transport – email from local village. PC believe this is not a perceived issue for Beckingham at the moment.
- LCC minerals and waste local plan – no action required. DJ look over document online.
- Fulbeck Wind Farm invitation – GE to inform KNOT group.
- Replies to LT's letter re. Newark Hospital from NHS England, 10 Downing Street and the Care Quality Commission.
- 

DJ

GE

#### **15/11 Matters for Discussion**

- **Broadband installation on village green.**
- Co-option of Councillor/upcoming election.
- Clerk vacancy – DJ to contact Witham Staple and Bugle.

DJ

#### **15/12 Date of Next Meeting**

Parish Council Meeting Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 – 7.00pm

**Meeting closed at 8:45pm**