

# Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council

Serving the villages of Tilney St Lawrence, Tilney cum Islington and Tilney Fen End

Minutes of the Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council meeting held at on Monday 6th January 2014 in the Village Hall, Tilney St Lawrence at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr B Ayres(in the Chair)

Cllr C Ayres, Cllr D Appleby, Cllr D. Calton, Cllr P. Cullen, Cllr J. Day, Cllr R. Jagers, Cllr D. Jones, Cllr E Jones, Cllr C Mills, Cllr Sapey, Cllr G Place

Clerk: C Smith

Public: J McManus

## **157. Apologies and reasons for absence.**

**157.1.** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hearn. Cllr Place apologised for missing the December meeting.

## **158. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda.**

**158.1.** There were no declarations of interest.

## **159. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The clerk added to minute 152 that Cllr B Long would be contacted to try and expedite the replacement of the handrails at Reeders Bridge. The minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December were then agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**There were no issues raised by members of the public in attendance therefore the meeting was not adjourned.**

## **160 Police Matters**

**Crime Statistics** - Cllr D Jones reported that there had been two reported crimes, theft of diesel from a motor vehicle and domestic assault.

## **161 Reports**

### **161.1 Chairman's Correspondence**

**Dog Fouling** – Cllr Ayres reported that PCSO's now had the power to issue fixed penalties to owners who do not clear up after their dogs when they foul the footpath. New notices had been produced warning the public that this is the case these. One of the notices would be placed in Tilney-cum-Islington where there has been a problem.

**161.2 Footway Lighting Report** –No confirmed reports of outages.

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**161.3 Footpath & Tree Reports** – Cllr Appleby reported that he had contacted NCC to request signs for the new footpath and was awaiting their response. Cllrs were concerned that Mr Kitchen believed that ownership of, and responsibility for, Reeders Bridge was in doubt, and that it is not part of the footpath network, and therefore does not require handrails. Cllr Ayres confirmed that this is not the case. The clerk reported that a letter had been sent to IDB to establish ownership of the bridge. A meeting would be arranged with Cllr B Long to visit the site so that action could be considered in order to get the handrails re-installed.

**161.4 Village Hall Report** – Cllr Cullen reported that a grant from Dr Punsfer’s Gift had been obtained to help with the cost of the oil tank.

**161.5 William Day Centre Report** –Cllr D Jones reported that transfer arrangements were progressing. Final transfer was scheduled for the end of March.

**161.6 Highway Matters** -Finger signs – Cllrs noted that the clerk had brought this to the attention of NCC. Fly tipping on the old A47 would be reported as would an abandoned wheel and tyre on School Rd.

**161.7 Patients Group** - Cllr Sapey reported that a new complaint had been received this would be passed to the patients group once details had been confirmed. Problems with appointments continued and would be monitored.

**161.8 Friends of Tilney St Lawrence School** – No report.

## **162 Finance**

**162.1** Cllrs approved the payments as listed. Cllrs noted the bank balances.

**162.2 Precept** – Cllrs discussed the level of precept required and voted to ask for a precept that retained the current level of Council Tax contribution from the community. This would mean a slight drop in funding for 2014-15, which would be managed within the budget. The requested amount from BCKLWN would be £16 845. This option was proposed by Cllr D Jones, seconded by Cllr G Place and carried by a majority vote.  
.The clerk would clarify the meaning of the acronyms used by BCKLWN on their distributed precept information.

## **163 Planning**

- 13/01815/F Removal of agricultural occupancy restriction at 86 School Rd, Tilney St Lawrence - Cllrs noted the application and raised no objections.

Cllrs noted the following planning decision

- 13/01424/F Cart Shed style car port at Salgate Barn, Islington Rd, Tilney all Saints - Cllrs noted the following planning decision.

Cllrs noted that a building at Springfields Caravan Park had been demolished and was being rebuilt. There had been no plans for this development presented to the Parish Council. The clerk would report this to the enforcement agency to establish if this was an

allowable development.

#### **164 Tilney cum Islington Bus Shelter**

The clerk reported that the Fergus Lynch had forwarded his public liability insurance and would start work when the weather improved. The clerk would ask Mr Lynch to provide a risk assessment.

#### **165 Church Railings**

Cllrs had noted at the last meeting that it was difficult for members of the community with restricted mobility to lay a wreath at the Memorial Service. The Memorial was accessed by stepping over railings. Cllr Place would liaise with the PCC to see if a small opening could be made to allow better access.

#### **166 General Correspondence**

**166.1** NCC – Consultation on the introduction of charging for Pre-Application Advice – Cllrs noted the correspondence.

**166.2** Better Broadband available in Norfolk – Cllrs noted the schedule for better broadband in Norfolk.

#### **167 Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Issues**

Cllrs noted that Cllr Nockholds would be looking at the disabled parking with the car parking manager. Cllr Ayres would continue to lobby for more bays with ticketed payment, on return to the vehicle, rather than the machines with Registration details required.

#### **168 Items for the next agenda.**

**168.1** Bus Shelter

**168.2** Reeders Bridge

#### **169 Date of next meeting**

**169.1** The next meeting will take place on the 3rd February 2014.

Meeting closed at 8.37pm.

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