

Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council

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Minutes of the Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council meeting held at on Monday 7th July 2014 in the Village Hall, Tilney St Lawrence at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr D Jones (in the Chair)

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

Clerk: C Smith

Members of the Public: Mr McManus.

236. Apologies and reasons for absence.

236.1. Apologies for absence were received, and the reasons accepted, from Cllrs Hearn and Savage. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllr B Ayres and Cllr C Ayres. They were attending to Mayoral duties and would join the meeting as soon as possible.

237. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

237.1. Cllr Place declared an interest in item 7 – 14/00909.

238. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 2nd June 2014 were 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.

239 Police Matters

Crime Statistics - Cllr D Jones reported that there had been no recorded crimes.

Speeding – Cllr Jones reported that the local PCSO had monitored vehicle speeds on Church Rd and found that in half an hour 11 vehicles were speeding above 38mph. These would be passed to traffic control and it is hoped that a traffic unit would attend Tilney St Lawrence. Cllr Mills reported that he had experienced an episode of impolite behaviour, a motorist objected to following his vehicle at a speed within the limit. Cllrs agreed that this kind of incident was not uncommon.

8.37pm Cllr B Ayres and Cllr C Ayres joined the meeting. Cllr B Ayres took the Chair.

240 Reports

240.1 Chairman's Correspondence

Chairman's Signature _____

Terrington St John – The clerk reported that contact had been made with the clerk at Terrington St John and that joint working would be considered at their Parish Meeting on 7th July.

NHS Complaints – Information of the complaint resolution scheme facilitated by RCC was passed to Cllr Sapey.

240.2 Footway Lighting Report –Cllr Cullen reported a dayburner at Mill Field Close, he would check the number and contact the clerk to report it to contractors.

240.3 Footpath & Tree Reports – Cllr Appleby reported that he had met Mr Wallace from NCC and agreed where the signs for the footpath would be placed. Mr Wallace would look into NCC giving the path a first cut.

240.4 Village Hall Report – No report.

240.5 Highway Matters

Hedges – The Council noted that the hedge opposite the post office was overhanging the footpath. The clerk would write to the developer.

Traffic – The Council noted that the work on the A47 bridges had added to the level of traffic through the village. This was likely to continue for another three weeks.

Broken manhole cover – the clerk would report the broken manhole cover on Spice Chase.

Fleet Timber – Cllrs had received a number of complaints about the lorries parking and loading on the highway outside Fleet Timber. The clerk would write and ask that lorries should manoeuvre and secure loads on the premises.

240.6 Patients Group - Cllr Sapey reported that the complaints about the lack of uniforms and badges continued. He had established that whilst in NHS run facilities staff had to wear uniforms and badges, surgeries and clinics run by private companies did not need to do so unless it is a requirement of their contract. Residents were also continuing to report that it was difficult to get an appointment with a doctor. Cllr Sapey would continue to monitor the situation and contact the NHS advisory service.

240.7 Church Report – Cllr Pace reported that the repair to the tiled part of the South Transept roof had been completed. The specification from the loss adjuster was still outstanding and a new architect would need to be appointed as the current company were unable to carry out any further work, apart from the 5 year inspection. The sale of Pews was still under consideration.

The Parish Council asked the clerk to write to the vicar and ask that the woodchips outside the vicarage be moved as is was over the footway and that the signs for B&B

needed to be kept within the curtilage of the property. The sign fixed to the wall would need planning permission.

241 Finance

241.1 Cllrs received the internal auditors report. The report confirmed that all systems were in place and running correctly. A recommendation was made to review the new standing orders drawn up by NALC.

241.2 Cllrs approved the payments as listed below. Cllr Jones reported that following discussions with Norse the field had been cut satisfactorily. NORSE had given an undertaking that a weekly cut would be done next year over the peak growing season at no extra cost. The clerk would look at drawing up a new contract and get tenders in September for the 2015 contract. The specification would not include the William Day Centre.

July

No	Name	Chq	Description	Net	VAT	Total
	Eon		streetlight elec June	143.65	28.73	172.38
	K&M Lighting		Streetlight maint inv. 1382	107.36	21.47	128.83
	Heronwood		Grass cutting inv 803	60.00	0	60.00
	Norse		Grounds Maintenance	964.61	192.9	1157.53
	E Bateman		Internal Auditor	55.00	0	55.00
	Clerk		Salary	382.85	0	382.85
	Clerk		Expenses	22.5	0	22.50
	Total			1735.97	243.12	1979.09

241.3 Cllrs received the budget break down for Q1 and noted bank balances. Finances were currently on track to remain within budget.

241.4 The clerk reported that TSB could not provide a better interest rate on the savings account. Cllrs agreed to leave the accounts with the TSB at the moment.

242 Planning

242.1 Applications

- 14/00822/F Construction of a single story garage, Windsor Farm, Church Rd, Tilney St Lawrence – Cllrs supported this application.
- 14/00909/F To erect a timber framed workshop for florist outlet use at The Gables, Workhouse Lane. – Cllrs expressed concern regarding parking and access along the single track road and decided to make no comment to the planning authority.
- 14/00828 Outline application with all matters reserved 1 pair of semi detached residential properties, Clare Print Victory House, 1 Magdalen Rd – Cllrs objected to this development on the grounds of back building and poor access to the plot.

243 To Discuss Plans for Cutting the Footpath

The Clerk would meet with Cllr Appleby to discuss the specification for cutting the footpath.

244 The Antioch Plot

Cllr Ayres reported that an accurate plan had now been received confirming the location of the land. Cllr Savage had kindly cut a pathway so that the land could be viewed and the clerk and Cllrs Ayres, E Jones and D Jones had viewed the plot. The Parish Council agreed that the purchase of the land would be a good investment. The Clerk was asked to proceed with negotiations for the land with the land agent and to instruct a solicitor. *(The authorised budget was agreed and would be kept confidential until negotiations were concluded.)* As this work was likely to take place over the summer recess, the Parish Council agreed that executive decisions could be made by three councillors.

245 BCKLWN Issues

245.1 Cllr Ayres reported that work on the Saturday Market Place would look good with improvement work to go ahead.

246 Norfolk County Council Issues

246.1 All business was going ahead as normal, negotiations were underway to purchase the land that had previously been set aside for the incinerator project.

247 Items for the next agenda.

247.1 The Antioch Plot

247.2 Grass Cutting

247.3 Seat and Grass Area Tilney St Lawrence

247.4 Notice Board Maintenance

248 Date of next meeting

248.1 The next meeting will take place on the 1st September 2014.

Meeting closed at 9.07pm.