

# 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 4th November 2013 in the Village Hall, Tilney St Lawrence at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr B Ayres(in the Chair)

Cllr C Ayres, Cllr D. Calton, Cllr P. Cullen, Cllr J. Day, Cllr R. Jagers, Cllr D. Jones, Cllr E Jones, Cllr E Hearn, Cllr C Mills, Cllr Sapey, Cllr Savage.

Clerk: C Smith

Public: J McManus

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

**131.1.** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Appleby and Place.

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

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

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

The minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 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.**

## **134 Police Matters**

**135 Crime Statistics** - Cllr D Jones reported that there had been no reported crimes in Tilney St Lawrence, Tilney cum Islington or Tilney Fen End. Police representatives asked that residents beware of shed, garage and heating oil thefts as, with the dark evenings, these become more common at this time of year. Cllr Ayres also drew Cllrs attention to the recommendation that motorists take extra care.

## **136 Reports**

### **136.1 Chairman's Correspondence**

**Withdrawal of Government funding for waste credits** - Cllrs Ayres reported that following the withdrawal of government funding for waste credits, NCC had had a full meeting to discuss the proposals for an incinerator at Saddlebow. NCC voted 40 to 38 in favour of continuing with the project. The planning inspector

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would make his report to Eric Pickles in January who would make the final planning decision in the new year.

**GP surgery** – Cllrs noted the letter that had been sent to First Health by the independent action group, detailing complaints and questions raised by service users. Cllr Ayres confirmed that whilst a number of Cllrs from neighbouring parish councils had come together to consider the on-going issues, the letter from the action group and was independent from Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council. There had also been concern expressed that not all the complainants were happy to be included in the letter. Cllr Sapey assured Cllr Ayres that he had contacted and confirmed this with all of those involved.

**136.2 Footway Lighting Report** –Dayburner – Outside 131 High Rd.

**136.3 Footpath & Tree Reports** – Cllr Savage reported that he had trimmed the hedge back from footpath near the flyover. Cllr Ayres thanked him for his work.

**136.4 Village Hall Report** – Cllr Cullen reported that the grant for the new roundabout had been obtained and it would be installed in the New Year. The yearly Health and Safety Certificate had been given for the recreation area. There would be a Christmas Craft Fair on 24<sup>th</sup> November 10am-1pm and Christmas bingo on 11<sup>th</sup> December. Cllr Cullen reported that the dyke at the front of the hall had not been cut yet. The clerk would chase NORSE up.

**136.5 William Day Centre Report** – Cllr Cullen reported that a Halloween raffle had raised £103 for the amenities fund. Cllr D Jones reported that negotiations with Independence Matters were on-going and it was hopeful that the service would be taken over by them and run on the same basis as it currently operates.

**136.6 Highway Matters**

**136.6.1** Cllrs noted that there was a large amount of suger beet stored off Mill Lane retrieval of which could cause the road to be blocked at certain times. The Clerk would monitor the situation. Cllr Jagers reported that there had been rubbish dumped at the side of Wiggenhall road. .

**136.7 Patients Group**

Cllr Sapey reported that the meeting of concerned individuals was attended by people from four neighbouring parishes. It was decided that a letter would be sent directly to First Health, and would detail on-going complaints and a number of questions raised by those at the meeting. The group were waiting for a response to the letter. Cllr D Jones stated that he was supportive of the letter, as some residents who were unable to represent and articulate their difficulties would benefit from the advocacy of the group.

Cllr Ayres reported that he and Cllr C Ayres had attended the open day in their capacity as deputy Mayor and Mayoress.

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## **137 Finance**

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

**137.2** Cllrs approved the purchase of the legal reference book, it was thought the cost would be around £40.

## **138 Planning**

**138.1** Application – 13/01434/F Cart shed style car port – single storey/open frame at Salgate barn, Islington Rd, Tilney All Saints. Cllrs had no objections to this application.

**138.2** Unauthorised Caravan Westfields – Cllrs noted that the use of the caravan in Westfields did not contravene planning regulations.

## **139 Tilney cum Islington Bus Shelter**

Cllr considered the quotes from three different builders and decided to proceed with some remedial work to the bus shelter, replacing the damaged bricks. It was agreed to award the job to Fergus Lynch subject to the correct insurances and assessments being in place.

## **140 General Correspondence**

**140.1** Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority – Cllrs noted that the byelaws to protect inshore marine areas would be extended and include fishing with bottom towed gear. More information is available on the Authority's website.

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

Disabled Parking – Cllr Cullen reported that there was a lack of ordinary disabled parking spaces in the St James car park. Many of the pre-pay timed spaces remain empty as entering a registration number put people off using those spaces. Cllr Ayres would feed this back to KLWNBC.

Radar key for disabled lavatories - Cllr Hearn reported that the disabled lavatories in the walks were double locked on Saturday morning barring access for disabled people holding radar keys. Cllr Ayres would report this back to KLWNBC.

Recycling and waste centre South Lynn – Cllr Carlton reported that when he used the site to dispose of household waste he was questioned about his trade status and when the operative was unconvinced by his reply a heated exchange ensued. Cllr Ayres advised that this be reported to Cllr B Long.

## **142 Norfolk County Council Issues**

**142.1** Parish Partnership funding – Cllrs noted that £200 000 would be available to part fund small schemes that support the Local Transport Plan. Cllrs would consider this at the next meeting.

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

**143.1** Bus Shelter

**143.2** Reeders Bridge

**143.3** Parish Partnership funding

**143.4** Friends of Tilney St Lawrence School – As a member of the Friends of the school group Cllr Hearn volunteered report back any relevant issues to the parish council. This would be added as a regular item in the reports section.

**143.5** Wreath Laying - Cllr Jones volunteered to lay the wreath at the memorial service.

## **144 Date of next meeting**

**144.1** The next meeting will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Meeting closed at 8.32pm.

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