SURFLEET PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of Meeting held on 1st July 2014 at the Fraiser Room.

Present.

Councillors: Mary Hurst (Chairman), Glynn Waltham, Bryan Templeman, Mike Chapman (vice chairman), Judy Chapman, Gillian Gerrans, Fran Healands and Roy Sells.

In attendance Granville Hawkes (Clerk).

Minute	Item	Action
1	Apologies for absence:	
	PCSO S Pusey.	
2	Declarations of interest:	
	None	
3	Approve minutes of the meeting held on 20 th May 2014: These had been previously distributed and were signed as a true record.	
4	Clerks report on matters outstanding:	
	 Village Hall – the clerk read out the letter sent by the parish council and a reply from F Dalton the village hall committee Chairman. Members agreed that the Clerk contact FD to seek a meeting following the next village hall meeting on 29th July. MH, GW, RS and MC all want to attend. Robert Marjorums Foundation – MC confirmed that the committee were able to change the constitution so that Surfleet councillors were not on the committee and this will be discussed at their next meeting. The Clerk confirmed all fees in respect of Mrs Reedmans burial had been paid. 	GH
5	Police matters: In the absence of S Pusey the Clerk read out her report which confirmed there were no major incidents to report or anti social behaviour. There was one report of a horse in Gosberton having its maine and tail cut.	
6	Highway matters: MC reported that the road survey showing maps with illustrated problems had been completed and would be sent to MH to liaise with LCC Highways. The Chairman thanked MC,JC, AD, GW, and BT for their help. AD met County Cllr Sneath and took her to review the roads where the main problems are damage to the side of roads which then causes further problems with pot holes. She is to look into the possibility of	МН
	LCC providing planings to local farmers to undertake repairs. GW reported that the trees are obstructing the new 30mph signs and need to be cut back.	МН
	AD advised that drivers would be legally able to park in the new 30mph zone and therefore we may need highways to add yellow no parking lines to stop this. Members agreed for the Clerk to contact LCC Highways.	GH
	MH asked the Clerk to enquire about the cost of installing flashing speed limit signs.	GH
7	Reports from representatives of outside bodies: None.	

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8	Parish Plan: JC advised that the cycle ride to Spalding will take place on 25 th August starting at 1.30 from the village hall. JC advised that the next litter pick will be in October. JC reported that the Celebrate Surfleet event at the weekend went well.	
9	Cemetery Matters:	
9	MC reported on the rabbit problem and had quotes of £1,120 and £1,600 to install a fence on two sides of the cemetery. AD if the cemetery is to look in good condition the fence will need to be on three sides which GW agreed and MC estimated would cost £1,500. JC advised that there used to be a list of flowers that rabbits did not	
	like and we should advise anyone who has an issue of the flowers to	
	use. FH and GG were concerned at the proposed cost. Members agreed that as there had been few complaints so far this year we reconsider as part of next years budget.	
10	Cinanas reports	
10	Finance report: Income:	
	VAT Refund £2,458.90	
	VAT Retaild £2,430.90	
	Expenditure: 100745 Clerk salary June £196.76 100746 LALC £341.87 100747 Firths Lscape £528.00 100748 Lady Fraiser £ 28.00 100749 HMRC £121.20 100750 Grant Thornton £120.00 100751 Sparc £500.00	
	The Clerk confirmed that the Audit had been completed with a clean certificate and the Notice of Closure will be advertised. AD requested that the Clerk provide a statement showing budgeted spend year to date with the bank reconciliation which members supported. The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation as attached.	GН
11	Planning application and decisions:	
•••	The Clerk confirmed that all planning matters had been actioned as previously circulated and attached.	
	MH reported a further update from Network Rail relating to the crossing gate upgrade.	GН
	Re planning application H17-0278-14 New Linx Housing Trust members sought clarification regading the removal of the condition relating to the affordable housing element.	
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12	Sparc re Hun Gate lane access: MC reported that some time ago the Parish Council offered a donation of £500 to Sparc to put in a gate but this was not accepted. Sparc have approached the parish council again for support to install a gate and after discussion members agreed that the Clerk chase up his previous email.	GH
13	Correspondence: The Clerk reported an email from the Environment Agency about contact details for the Surfleet United Charities. MH requested that the Clerk write back enquiring when the tall grass and noxious weeds on land abutting the banks of Surfleet Sluice and Reservoir Road will be cut back.	GH
14	Dog bin – Newlands Road: The Clerk advised that he had verbal permission to place the bin and when this had been confimed he would place an order.	GH
15	Emergency contact details: The Clerk advised that he was still investigating this and members agreed to leave on future agendas.	
16	Members reports: RS – there had been complaints about holiday let occupants putting rubbish bags out too early for collection. GG – nothing MC – suggested the council write to congratulate Celebrate Surfleet organisers following their latest event, which members agreed. GW – nothing JC – had attended the latest Spalding Transport Strategy meeting and further updates would be sent. BT – nothing	GH
	MH – nothing FH – nothing. AD – can we review the cemetery fees and members agreed to add to the next agenda. The trees on Surfleet bridge need cutting back or spraying off by LCC Highways.	МН
17	Date of next meeting: Confirmed Tuesday 16 th September 2014	

Signed:	Date:
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