

WALESBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14 July 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Paul Townsend, Malcolm Crabtree, Merilyn Combes , Liz Carr, Judith Sweny and David Milles

In attendance: 8 members of the public.

Public Forum:

A resident enquired about the provision of improved broadband. District Councillor Bridger replied that difficulties have been encountered as Walesby is in a dip and trees have obstructed the signal. However a mast is now being erected on the edge of the Wolds.

A resident enquired about provision of a finger post for footpath 117 and the Clerk was instructed to write to Lincolnshire County Council to request one.

1 Apologies for absence

None

2 To elect the Chairman

Resolved to elect Cllr Combes. Proposed Cllr Townsend. Seconded Cllr Sweny

3 To elect the Vice Chairman

Resolved to elect Cllr Townsend. Proposed Cllr Milles. Seconded Cllr Combes

4 Declarations of interest

Cllrs Combes and Carr declared an interest in item 11

5 To approve the minutes of a meeting held on 12 May 2014

Resolved to approve as a true record. Proposed Cllr Carr. Seconded Cllr Combes

6 Chairman and Council's reports

None

7 Clerk's report and correspondence

The clerk reported that Ardern Farms declines to open permissive footpaths at the present time. An email had been received from Cllr Bridger advising that the Village Hall may make applications to the Community Chest and Community

Access Fund. Cllr Newton had resigned. West Lindsey District Council had been informed and the process for filling the casual vacancy had begun. Provision for making the minutes available to solicitors acting in the matter of a road traffic accident was underway.

8 Finance

Accounts for payment

J Brickett £119.43

HMRC/Post Office £16.20

Resolved to approve. Proposed Cllr Carr. Seconded Cllr Townsend

It was agreed that Cllrs Milles and Townsend be added as signatories to the bank accounts and Roger Newton be removed as signatory.

9 Planning applications

None

10 To discuss and resolve on the future designation of roles and responsibilities of councilors

Review of standing orders and financial regulations- Cllr Carr

Planning, Area of outstanding natural beauty and footpaths- Cllr Townsend

Police forum and highways- Cllr Milles

11 To discuss and resolve on an application for a grant from Walesby, St Mary's and All Saints Parochial Church Council

Resolved to grant £300. Proposed Cllr Townsend. Seconded Cllr Sweny

12 To discuss and resolve on an application for a grant by Friends of the Old Church Walesby

Resolved to grant £400 per annum for a period of five years subject to the proviso that the reserves of the Parish Council do not fall below the sum of £3000.

Proposed Cllr Townsend. Seconded Cllr Carr

13 To discuss and resolve on a request for a grant by Walesby Village Hall Committee.

It was agreed that the committee should first try to access funds by applying to the Community Chest and Community Access Fund as advised by Cllr Bridger

14 To discuss and resolve on the Big Society Fund

Resolved the remaining £100 of this grant be given to the Village Hall to assist

with its projects. Proposed Cllr Townsend. Seconded Cllr Carr

15 To receive general comments from Members and matters for consideration on the next agenda

Members instructed the Clerk to write to Roger Newton thanking him for his years of service.

It was requested footpaths be on the next agenda

Meeting ended 9.18pm