

STRENSALL with TOWTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Tuesday 9th September 2014 at 7.15pm at the Village Hall, Strensall

PRESENT

Cllrs Chambers (Chair) Plant, Mrs C Edwards, Ms T Flannery, Ms T Himlin, Benson, Hill, Chapman, Baxter, Tuohey, Maher and Ogilvy,
Ward Cllrs P Doughty, Mrs S Wiseman and 5 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES

Received from Cllrs Marquis and Scott and the reasons were accepted

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated, Council approved these and authorised the Chairman to sign them as a correct record and also endorsed the minutes of the Planning Committee of 12th and 26th August **Resolution 090914/01**

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Stork of 19 Pasture Close asked the Council if any progress had been made over the complaints made about the nuisance to residents at Kirklands kickabout area. The Clerk advised that a counter petition of 51 signatures had been received and a resident gave her support of that petition. The Councillors had received the NALC legal notes and nothing further had been agreed at present.

5. ONGOING ISSUES

(a) The Public Inquiry was booked for 14th October and a further submission was pending and a draft awaited from the Planning Consultant.

- (b) The site meeting regarding the offer of land had taken place but CYC were reluctant to acquire the land as they were looking to lessen the burden of land ownership rather than increase it.
- (c) The Playground Committee agreed to meet to discuss the playground issues and make recommendations to the Council at the next meeting. The date arranged was 6th October. In the meantime the Clerk would take legal advice on this issue
- (d) The Clerk confirmed that she had requested tenders for three years from two contractors and had received one. A decision could be made next month.
- (e) The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 was discussed and it was agreed that no alterations to the room were required to enable any member of the public to record or film the proceedings. If anyone wished any alterations to be made a request could be made at the commencement of the meeting. **Resolution 090914/02**
- (f) The required amendment to Standing Orders had been circulated prior to the meeting and this was approved for immediate implementation **Resolution 090914/03**
- (g) The proposal for a site meeting with Yorkshire Housing had not taken place. The Clerk would chase this early next week.
- (i) An application for urgent assistance from SCYSA was discussed and three trustees were present at the meeting to offer clarification. After discussion regarding the option of a financial loan, it was agreed that payment of the grass cutting, weed and mole control be paid for a period of six months with an option to continue if the situation had not improved. The Clerk would confirm with the contractor to send invoices to her for settlement. If SCYSA wished to apply for a loan the Clerk would research the options on this although available Parish Council funds were limited. **Resolution 090914/04**

6. POLICE REPORT

The police report was noted.

7. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Cllr Chapman reported on the five applications received and two decision notices and the recommendations of the planning committee were approved **Resolution 090914/05**

8. FINANCE REPORT

- (a) Invoices for payment approved: - **Resolution 090914/06**

(i) Clerk salary	£.	SO
(ii) Talktalk	£30.29	DD
(iii) Talktalk mobile	£5.00	DD
(iv) R Cartmell cemetery maintenance	£256.00	
(v) HMRC tax and NI	£393.89	
(vi) PKF Littlejohn Audit fees	£360.00	
(vii) R Cartmell grass cutting	£750.68	
(viii) Mr J Chapman	£39.28	
(ix) T Preston Tree felling	£750.00	
(x) RSS playground inspections	96.00	
(xi) Ward Associates	360.00	

Income:

Cemetery	£345.00
Interest	£1.49

Account Balances:

Cemetery Account	£7,960.41
Treasurers Account	£14,105.00
Contingency Account	£8064.05. + £15,000 (bond)
Premium Account	£18299.16. + £10,000 (bond)

- (b) The reinvestment of the bonds for a period of three months was approved **Resolution 090914/07**

10. HIGHWAYS

The Highways report, prepared by Cllr Tuohey was discussed and noted by the Council.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Letter from CYC on Parish Review was read out and noted that a decision would be made in December
- (b) Letter from CYC on Village Design Statement had been received and, to comply with the deadline of 8th September the Chairman and Clerk had prepared and sent a letter of support.

12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR OCTOBER

- (a) allotment issues
- (b) playground issues
- (c) acquisition of land
- (d) grass cutting contract
- (e) internal audit
- (f) Christmas trees

13. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 14th October 2014 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed..... 14th October 2014

Chairman