

MINUTES OF THE IRNHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Griffin Inn, Irnham on Wednesday 18th November 2015 at 7pm

Present:- Amanda Ayre, Jenny Crow, Trevor Vanson.
Parish Council Clerk: Jenny Crow

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- a. Cllrs Kevin Doran, Lawrence Doran.

2. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

- a. None declared

The Chairman welcomed 2 members of the public and invited them to comment on the agenda.

Issues raised:

- a. Lincs Road Safety Partnership
- b. Safety on bend between Bulby and Marwood Farm
- c. Directory of useful contacts for residents
- d. Request for update on Highways Issues
- e. Bulby telephone box

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- a. Read and accepted as correct record and signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- a. Bulby Ford sign now installed
- b. Ditch opposite Watergate House excavated
- c. Defibrillator Account: LCC Legal Services estimate the charge for drawing up a legal letter, restricting use of the fund, to be approximately £360. Agreed this is too expensive and PC will draw up own letter to be an agenda item at each AGM to remind the PC of the restrictive use of the funds. Agreed to set up a Defibrillator Co-ordinators group with Andrew Swain, Wilma Morton, Jenny Crow and Kevin or Lawrence Doran. Maximum Interest rates available for account found to be 0.5%. Agreed to proceed with opening an account with the Norwich and Peterborough Building Society. Clerk to further this with account requiring two from three signatures.
- d. Telephone Box – Irnham now painted and has shelves and books. Thanks to all involved with this project. PC aware the entrance needs looking at as this is muddy. Apologies received regarding painting the Bulby box. This will now be completed in the Spring.
- e. LCC Highways contacted re pot holes on Swinstead Road Irnham
- f. Cllr Ayre has contacted Lincs Road Safety Partnership. No reply to date but Cllr Ayre thinks they are usually more involved with larger projects.
- g. Irnham PC Update delivered to all households

5. ACCOUNTS

- a. Unallocated funds as at 18/11/15 £854.64
- b. Cheques to be authorised and signed:
LALC £28.56 – Authorised and signed
J Crow £15.00 – Authorised and signed
Balance will now be £811.08
- c. New audit procurement letter received. No action required.

6. COUNTY COUNCIL /DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

- a. Waste Bins – e-mail from Keith Rowe. Operations Team will inspect areas in the Parish to determine whether bins will be required.
- b. Clerk has received the Precept information with a return date of 22nd Jan. (See Item 10)
- c. Fraud Fighting Force Flyer to be displayed on Notice Boards
- d. Restorative Justice Flyer to be displayed on Notice Boards

7. MEMBERSHIP OF LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (LALC)

- a. Councillors had been circulated with a detailed e-mail of the benefits of joining this group. All accepted the proposal to become members.

8. INTERNET ACCESS IN THE PARISH

- a. Several residents have raised concern about the slow internet speeds in the Parish. The PC will try to find out the plans for upgrading to fibre optic broadband. Onlincolnshire.org has regular updates about the roll out of the broadband programme for Lincolnshire. Residents are encouraged to contact their Broadband Providers.

9. PARISH EVENTS

- a. Residents will be encouraged to return the slips from the Update so that the support for the Christmas Event and HM The Queen 90th Birthday Event can be assessed.
- b. Christmas Event – Cllr Trevor Vanson and Cllr Amanda Ayre will source and install the Christmas Tree at the beginning of December. Mulled Wine/Soft Drinks and Mince Pies have been arranged with the Griffin Inn. Martin Fuggle has kindly offered to accompany the singing. Song Sheets will be provided.
- c. HM The Queen 90th Birthday Event – Plans to be discussed at the next meeting.

10. PARISH WISH LIST

- a. The Precept Form has been received to be returned by 22 January 2016. Councils are requested to keep any increase to a minimum. It was agreed to request £1100.

11. PARISH E-MAIL DATABASE

- a. It was agreed to encourage residents to use the Irnham website rather than e-mail residents directly. More information on the Parish Council section of the website will be included eg directory and links for useful contacts.

12. MEETING DATES 2016

- a. Date for AGM not agreed yet

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. PCC receipt for £400 and note of thanks for the contribution to the upkeep of the Churchyard for use by all residents.
- b. E-mails re Internet Access

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Plant and cake from the Parish delivered to Mrs Smart to recognise a special birthday.
- b. Landlord of the Griffin Inn raised concerns about traffic speeding through the village and made Councillors aware of an accident that had occurred outside the Inn on Saturday 14 November. The Police attended. PC to investigate options for encouraging motorists to obey the speed restrictions in the Parish.
- c. Cllr Ayre has spoken with Mark Green at Marwood Farm about the concerns re safety on the bend between Bulby and Marwood and he has offered to try to build up the field entrance, off the bend, to give more room for motorists to move over around the bend.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:- Wednesday 20th January 2016, 7.00pm Griffin Inn, Irnham.
(Councillors have agreed to bring this forward by one week to Wednesday 13th January)

Meeting ended at 8.15p.m.