

## **Minutes of Parson Drove Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2012 in The Cage, Parson Drove.**

Attended by Councillors G. Booth (Chairman), P Spriggs (Vice Chairman), C Bellamy, G. Bellamy, J. Cook, P Everett & R. Scrimshaw. 2 members of the public.

### **12/46. To receive apologies for absence.**

No apologies had been received.

### **12/47. Members' Declaration of Interest for items on the Agenda.**

Councillor Scrimshaw advised that he would take no part in the discussions and voting on all planning matters as he was a member of the District Council's Planning Committee.

### **12/48. Public Participation – To allow up to 15 minutes for any members of the public to address the meeting.**

The two members of the public informed Councillors of the Payne Schools plans to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee and requested a donation of £500 from the Parish Council towards the costs of the party being planned for the 1<sup>st</sup> June when members of the Over Sixties Club would also be invited to attend and to purchase Jubilee Mugs for the children. The Chairman advised that this request would be considered at the parish Council Meeting to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> March together with any other request received from village organisations for funding towards their planned celebrations.

### **12/49. To approve & sign minutes of the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012.**

The minutes were taken as read, agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### **12/50. Matters Arising from the Minutes (For information only).**

There were no matters arising from the minutes other than disappointment expressed by Councillors that the contractors installing the Safer Routes to School scheme had not cleared the footpath of debris created whilst the work was in progress.

### **12/51. To discuss and agree on letter and questionnaire regarding future development in the Parish.**

Councillors resolved by a majority vote to amend the wording slightly of paragraphs three and four.

Councillors resolved by a majority vote for the age on the questionnaire to be the same age that someone could register on the Housing Register. The Clerk would obtain confirmation as to whether this age is 16 or 18 and produce the questionnaire at the appropriate age.

### **12/52. Planning Matters & Applications for consideration.**

a) Dr B N Khetani, Planning Application No. F/YR12/0082/F, Agent David Broker, for the erection of a 2 storey extension to side of existing Surgery to form a Pharmacy with a hair & beauty salon above & installation of an air source pump at Parson Drove Surgery, 240 Main Road, Church End, Parson Drove.(Part retrospective).

Councillors resolved to support the application in respect of the Pharmacy but to raise concerns over the access to the proposed hair & beauty salon as it did not provide a disabled access and therefore contravened the DDA. Councillors also considered that there was insufficient additional parking provision to accommodate this new element of the application.

b) Mr J Fowler, Planning Application No. F/YR12/0090/F, Agent R Swann, for the erection of a 2 storey side & single storey rear extension involving re-roofing of existing dwelling & addition of 3 dormer windows to the front & 5 roof lights to the rear & retrospective formation of a vehicular access at Nicola, Fen Road, Parson Drove. Councillors resolved to support this application.

c) Mrs L Ford, Planning Application No. F/YR12/0092/RM, Agent David Broker, for the erection of a 2 storey 3 bed roomed dwelling on land east of 5 Swan Bridge Farm, Fen Road, Parson Drove. Councillors resolved to support this application.

d) Mr C Coates, Planning Application No. F/YR12/0097/F, Agent R Goodfield, for the construction of a 49.35kW ground mounted solar photovoltaic system on land south of A C Coates & Sons Limited, Hundred Acre Farm, Harolds Bridge, Parson Drove. Councillors resolved to support this application by a majority vote.

e) Notification from Fenland District Council that Planning Application Number F/YR11/0863/F, Mr & Mrs M Bates for the erection of a 2 storey 3 bed dwelling with detached garage with store involving the demolition of the existing dwelling and change of use of land to domestic cartilage at The Bungalow, Harolds Bank, Parson Drove has been granted approval. Information noted by Councillors.

#### **12/53 Accounts & Finance.**

a) Councillors resolved to approve the following Invoices for payment:-  
 Anglian Water, half year water rates for The Cage, £25.00. L.G.A. 1972 s.111  
 Open Spaces Society, renewal of annual membership, £40.00. L.G.A. 1972 s.143  
 Mrs Y Reader, Clerks quarter year salary & expenses, £1,250.72. L.G.A. 1972 s.112

#### **12/54. Dates for future Council meeting(s).**

The next meeting was confirmed for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.