

Minutes of Parson Drove Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9th April 2014 in The Cage, Station Road, Parson Drove.

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

14/63. To receive apologies for absence.

No apologies had been received.

14/64. To consider any requests by Councillors for Dispensations.

No requests for Dispensations had been received.

14/65. Members' Declaration of Interest for items on the Agenda.

There were no declaration of interests made by Councillors.

14/66. Public Participation – To allow up to 15 minutes for any members of the public to address the meeting.

A member of the public enquired if the remainder of Main Road down to Church End was going to be re-surfaced. The Chairman responded advising that as far as he was aware there were no plans for any further road re-surfacing work along Main Road. The Bank also needed urgent work and County Council Highways would try to find funding to attend to this road if possible.

The Parishioner who had sent a letter of complaint to the Chairman regarding the Youth Club corrected some of the information previously provided and asked several questions relating to the management and running of the Youth Club.

The Chairman responded to some of the issues raised, as he was a member of the Youth Club Management Committee, but was unable to answer all the questions and issues raised as he did not have all the information to hand.

14/67. To approve & sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th March 2014.

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

14/68. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 12th March 2014.

The Clerk was still waiting for a reply from PCSO Russ regarding the incident of debris being thrown onto the road from the building site at Church End.

The Royal British Legion had no events planned to Commemorate the Great War. The Chairman advised that Poppy seeds had been sown at the village pond.

14/69. Planning Matters & Applications for consideration.

a) M Rebane, Planning Application No. F/YR14/0193/TRTPO, no Agent, for the felling of a Beech Tree covered by a TPO at Oakleigh, 81 Main Road, Parson Drove.

Councillors resolved to support this application subject to no objections being raised by the Tree Officer.

b) Notification from Fenland District Council that the following Planning application has been withdrawn

Miss C Corbett, Planning Application No. F/YR14/0069/F, Agent M Williams, for the erection of a single storey rear extension; conversion of garage to additional living accommodation; creation of a chimney to the side of the existing dwelling and erection of a detached double garage with hobby room over, at Carling, 21 Fen Road, Parson Drove. Information noted.

14/70. To review Standing Orders & Financial Regulations and agree on changes in view of new Model Standing Orders & Financial Regulations issued by NALC.

The Standing Orders & Financial Regulations were reviewed and several changes were made in accordance with the new models issued by NALC.

14/71. Update report on lettings & shared ownership of Affordable Homes on Exception Site at Church End.

The Chairman advised that he had been informed that no-one had registered for Shared Ownership at the moment. Councillors resolved that the option for two of the dwellings to be for Shared Ownership should be available for the future even if no-one applies at the present time. It had been suggested that Councillors would be given a tour of the new dwellings prior to the Annual Parish Assembly Meeting on the 30th April and the Clerk was requested to make enquiries if this was still be proposed.

14/72. Letter received from a Parishioner regarding Parson Drove Youth Club.

The information regarding the alleged missing game was not accurately stated in the letter as pointed out by the Parishioner during Public Participation.

The Chairman had made enquiries with the Youth Club but as different information had now been provided further enquiries would be made by the Chairman before a written response could be made.

14/73. To consider the applications received for the vacant Riverside Allotment Gardens.

Four applications had been received for the three vacant allotment gardens. Councillors resolved to split Allotment Garden Number 7 in half to create two smaller allotment gardens so that all the applicants could be offered a tenancy.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm