

## CARLTON MINIOTT PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a meeting of Carlton Miniott Parish Council held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in external classroom to the rear of Carlton Miniott CP School**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs A Colls, K Jackson & J Nickson

#### **1) COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Thank you was given for the progress that has been made on the website. The last bit that needs updating is the section for church services & activities – Cllr J Nickson said that she would contact Adrian Botwright for updates.

#### **2) TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs C Ridsdale & M Nickson

#### **3) TO RECEIVE MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meetings held on the 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 had been circulated prior to the meeting. 12/1/15 - it was proposed by Cllr J Nickson and seconded by Cllr Colls that they be signed as a true record and agreed thereupon. 26/1/15 - it was proposed by Cllr J Nickson and seconded by Cllr Jackson that they be signed as a true record and agreed thereupon.

#### **4) MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING**

a) **Parish Notice Board** – Cllr Jackson advised that the grant from HDC cannot be used towards the notice board as it will be on church land. Nicky Smith has said we should make up a plan and wish list for all of the things we would like to improve the village's appearance – e.g. planting bulbs, new bus shelter etc. Go out to the residents to get their ideas as well.

Cllr Jackson has drawn up a plan of the village showing where the bins currently are so that can decide if we need to move any/update them – also bus shelter and benches need some TLC. Also we can get some new hedge plants to fill in the gaps round the playing field.

Plants to be purchased for the beds at the two ends of the village that are maintained by Elaine.

b) **Playing Field's Lease** – Cllr Colls confirmed that the PC's letter had been forwarded to the solicitor but no response yet.

They have started drawing down some of the funding from Sport England to pay towards investigations in to the turf on the field.

c) **Busby Stoop Roundabout** – Cllr M Nickson is still sorting out the paperwork for this.

d) **Any other matters arising** – Cllr Jackson said that there is an issue with dogs being on the playing field – there is a byelaw in place which

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prohibits this. A notice is to be put in the notice board at the field stressing this and giving the number for the dog warden.

She also said that she will get together with Cllr M Nickson to word the letter to be sent to the LEA regarding the Section 106 funding.

### **5) TO RECEIVE COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

C/Cllr G Dadd said that Council Tax would be increasing by 1.999% in April.

By 2020 their spending power will have been reduced by 35/40%. Nothing will change after the election – NHS/Schools being protected reduces spending elsewhere.

The Library consultation results are in the process of being analysed – Thirsk library should stay and will move to the Meadowfields site.

A question was asked about the bollards through the village that are either so dirty the lights can't be seen or the lights aren't working – this will be taken back to Highways.

Manfield Terrace situation seems to have eased and will hopefully remain that way once the white lines have been painted on the main road.

Cllr Jackson said she was waiting for a response regarding the parking outside the school.

The section 106 money from the Ripon Way development was also discussed. The LEA can move the money to where they feel has the greatest need – the current thinking is that this is Sowerby.

C/Cllr Dadd said that he is pressing the case to have the money allocated to CM School. He agreed that a letter from the Parish Council saying the school needs help would be a good idea.

After C/Cllr Dadd left the discussion turned to the road surface in Ripon Way as a result of the lorries going to the housing development – although the mud is being cleared on a regular basis the surface is breaking up and the question was asked as to who would be responsible for repairs once the developers leave. Contact has been made with Highways (Area 2) regarding this but response still awaited.

Car parking in Ripon Way was the next subject raised – people using the railway station are now parking in the road and causing an obstruction to road users and residents alike. The police are unable to do anything unless the cars are parked on the pavement.

### **6) TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Hambleton Branch Meeting** – This takes place on 11 March in Northallerton and Cllr J Nickson is to attend and report back at the next PC meeting.

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**7) To discuss and review 2015/16 expenditure** – as not all Councillors were in attendance it was decided to hold this over to the next meeting.

**8) PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

None received

**9) PLANNING APPLICATION NOTICES RECEIVED FROM HDC**

None received

The Clerk advised that she had checked HDC's website about The Learning Tree Nursery application but couldn't find it.

Cllr J Nickson asked if there had been any developments with the Dog & Gun pub – the new owner was due to have a meeting with Cllr Jackson to discuss the site and its untidiness.

**10) TO RAISE ANY HIGHWAY MATTERS**

None raised

**11) APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS**

a) S Almack – for cleaning the bus shelter (February) - £7

b) NYCC CMCP School – Room hire - £12

c) Parish Clerk - £ 95.51 (Salary)

£192.00 (GW&J Ward Christmas Lights)

£100.00 (Bonus)

Total - £387.51

Approval proposed by Cllr Jackson and seconded by Cllr Colls and agreed by all.

**12) TO RECEIVE CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

Nothing raised

**13) TO RECEIVE OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr Colls advised that the Playing Fields Summer Fayre will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> June.

The Clerk advised that the next issue of the Messenger would be issued around the middle of March.

Items raised to be included – the bye law stating that no dogs are allowed on the Playing Field – Ask for ideas to improve the village's appearance as we are able to get funding towards the costs – Wish the residents Happy Easter.

**14) DATE OF NEXT FULL MEETING - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015**

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

**A Colls (Chairman)**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_