

Notes from Fillingham Parish Meeting

Monday, 3rd April, 2017

1. **In attendance:** Margaret O'Grady (Chair), Peter O'Grady (Vice-chair), Michael Rose (Treasurer), Dawn Greetham (clerk), and 3 parishioners.
2. **Apologies for Absence:** PCSO Julie McFaul, Roger Patterson and Zoe Rampley.
3. **Notices of Interest:** None.
4. **The minutes** of the last meeting held on 6th March 2017 were approved unanimously and signed.
5. **Matters arising:**
 - a) Public Space Protection Order, consultation questionnaire completed 17/03/2017 with the comments regarding extended provision for Schedule 1.1b to include roadside verges along roads on the edge of the village that are 60mph but leading to a public footpath.
 - b) New defibrillator pad now received at a cost of £90.00. This will be installed at the end of April when the old pad expires.
 - c) Black cable on High Street. BT Openreach informed 13/2/17 ref SL6EK835. In response to complaint ref: C1515924, work should be completed by 21st April 2017. BT Openreach has been made aware of the daffodil bulbs in place and has been asked to protect them from damage due to works. William Rose has also been informed of impending work.
6. **Reports:**
 - I. **Police:** Notifications on Lincs Alert have been circulated to the village when necessary. A yellow van has been seen acting suspiciously in the village and this was reported. A boy has also been seen knocking on doors in the village but this was not reported. Margaret has asked William Rose to place bollards on the newly cleared land adjacent to the High Street. There has been a mysterious gnome that has appeared in Rectory Lea he is to be left in place.
 - II. **Finance:** Michael gave a verbal report to the Parish of the current finances. Payment for the majority of the equipment for the new playground has been made. Work to start on new playground at the end of April.
 - III. **Village Hall:** Funds for the village hall are very low. There are currently no regular bookings for the hall. There followed a discussion regarding advertising for the hall, several ideas were put forward that fund raising could now help support the running costs of the hall. There is an election on Thursday 4th May 2017 and the hall will be used as a polling station. A current list of key holders for the hall is being reviewed and compiled.
 - IV. **Audit:** Peter explained that the procedure for Annual Returns (formal audit) has changed this year, along with the timetable for auditing. The audit is usually free, owing to the low level of income and expenditure, it is expected that given the level of expenditure on the playground project, there will be a charge of £100 for the audit for this financial year and next. Annual Returns will be available to view on-line from this financial year.
7. **Correspondence:**
 - a) 23/03/17 – e-mail from Lincolnshire County Council with road closure announcements between the period 10/4/17 and 8/09/130/03/17. Notification will be made prior to any road restrictions/closures.
 - b) LALC annual subscription due in the amount of £35.02. This was agreed for payment.
 - c) 30/03/17 - Insurance renewal schedule received due on 17th July. £758.92 quoted but will need checking to confirm that this includes new playground equipment. There is a favourable offer with a Long Term Undertaking to reduce the premiums for the policy for five years. It was agreed that this is worth investigating. Figures need to be checked. This policy includes public liability.
 - d) 20/03/17 Lincolnshire Council Elections on Thursday 4th May 2017.
 - e) 16/03/17 - Letter received from William Farr School in response to appeals letter sent. This was circulated to the meeting for discussion.

- f) 30/03/17 - Precept 2017 remittance received.
- g) 29/03/17 - Councillor Patterson's letters received re appeals support for William Farr School. These letters were circulated to the meeting for discussion.

8. Parish/District/county matters. None received.

9. Any other business:

- a) A resident has brought to the attention of the meeting the state of the un-adopted road near Badgercroft on the High Street and has emailed William Rose.
- b) All future events for Fillingham have been advertised on the website and Facebook page.
- c) A parishioner brought to the attention of the meeting the current state of the bench in the park. The bench is to be renovated as part of the playground installation.
- d) Geoff Burton gave an informative update regarding the renovation of the RAF Ingham Heritage Centre. RAF Ingham has been nominated for a community award. Also IGAS gas contributed towards the renovation and lottery funding is being sought. The 75th anniversary of RAF Ingham is on 19th May and Saturday 6th May is Polish Heritage Day when the Centre will be open for viewing by members of the public.
- e) The ceramic poppy that was bought by the Parish is now installed in the hall. Thanks were expressed to Peter O'Grady for the installation. A photo of the plaque in the church listing those who fell in the war will be added.

10. Date of the next meeting: AGM 8th May 2017