

## Notes from Fillingham Parish Meeting

Monday 5th December 2016

1. **In attendance:** Margaret O'Grady (Chair), Peter O'Grady (Vice-chair), Michael Rose (Treasurer), Dawn Greetham (clerk), Roger Patterson and 8 parishioners.
  2. **Apologies for Absence:** Zoe Rampley and PCSO Julie McFaul.
  3. **Notices of Interest:** None
  4. **The minutes** of the last meeting held on 7th November 2016 were approved unanimously and signed.
  5. **Matters arising:**
    - a) Parish Precept for the Financial Year 2017-18: Final claim form received for Parish Precept. £3641 ratified and signed. To be returned.
    - b) Lincs Alert system has been registered for the Parish email.
  6. **Reports:**
    - I. **Police:** PCSO Julie McFaul has been away but there have been no reports on the Lincs Alert. Peri Hepburn raised concerns about a photograph of an incident that she had been requested to send to Lincolnshire Police which Lincolnshire Police were not able to access. Peri to e-mail Fillingham with details which Margaret will investigate.
    - II. **Finance:** Balance of accounts was presented to the meeting. Payments received, made and pending: The invoice for the painting of the hall has still not been submitted. Margaret has rung contractor again to request invoice but this is still outstanding to date.

Invoice received from Heather's Properties	£300 grass cutting
Playground Proceeds Pub night	£185.00
Playground donation from Christmas event	£ 80.50
Playground donation teas served at craft fair	£ 94.10
- Big Lottery Fund have made a conditional grant offer of £10,000 for playground pending further paperwork and thanks were expressed for the hard work that had been undertaken. There should now be sufficient funds to start work on the playground in the spring. Margaret circulated pictures of potential play equipment for the members of the Parish meeting to approve. Insurance for the playground will be applied for when the play equipment has been agreed.
- III. **Village Hall Report:** Firestop were unable to carry out checks in November and will ring when they are next able to attend. The gas bill for £43.20 is now set up on direct debit. It was agreed by members of the Busy Fingers craft club which has now ceased to exist that the float of £43.20 be donated to be used for village hall equipment. As the extension lead was found to be faulty, it was agreed to use these sums to purchase a new one. Margaret to purchase new extension lead.
7. **Correspondence:** Margaret has circulated an e-mail that was received from the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the neighbourhood policing budget and the PCC has asked for feedback.
  8. **Parish/District/county matters:** The Pub Quiz night was well attended and the sum of £185.00 was raised for the playground fund. The playground has been accepted as the Tesco's Bag for Help Charity, the Tesco tokens will only be available until 31st December and everyone was encouraged to participate. The Christmas Tree event was also well attended by 60 people and was very successful. Roger Patterson congratulated the Parish Meeting on the successful application to The Big Lottery Fund Grant. Roger updated the Parish Meeting on the current situation regarding devolution and a discussion followed. He expressed his personal opinion that this may be resurrected

at a later date. Roger also updated the Parish concerning the Neighbourhood plan. Roger did explain that a member of the Council would be willing to attend a meeting to explain if required also that grants are available to the Parish if required. Roger also said that he had a meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner which he said was very encouraging.

9. **Any other business:** There is still an issue with dog fouling in the village. There followed a discussion as to the legal rights to enforce dog owners to carry bags to clear up fouling. Also concern was expressed that the dog bins in the village need emptying and Margaret said that she will ring again to request that this be carried out. There was also a request that the ditch opposite the village hall which has a grate attached to it needed to be cleared of debris as this presented a potential flooding risk to nearby houses. Margaret to request clearance of ditch by e-mail to David Carter. As they are leaving the village, thanks were expressed to Jacque and Pete Weller for all their hard work for the Parish and the Village Hall and a presentation was made. Jacque has now officially handed the responsibility for the church lottery to Naomi Watkins for the monthly draw. Again, concerns were raised with regards the broken street lights in Chapel Lane and High Street. It was agreed that this is a safety issue and Margaret will contact the council again to say that this is an urgent issue. The paths on the High Street to the village are due to be cleared of soil in January. There were also concerns that two police cars were in the village on 24th November. Margaret to enquire. Carols by candlelight is scheduled in the church for 10th December at 6pm.
10. **Date of next meeting: 6th February 2017.**

Forthcoming meetings

January no meeting	6 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2017	AGM 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	