

# CHRISTCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Christchurch Parish Council on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014 in the Sports Pavilion, Christchurch

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| <b>Present</b>                  | Cllrs: N Russell (Chair); J Bliss; S Fookland; W Poole; R Gladwin; W Sutton (FDC); F Yulett (CCO); J Richardson (Clerk); and 8 members of the public   |
| <b>Apologies for Absence:</b>   | Cllrs: W Roswick (Illness); H Poole (Work); M Tanfield (FDC);  |
| <b>Declarations of Interest</b> | Councillors to declare any interests under the Local Code of Conduct in respect of any item to be discussed at this meeting:-<br>a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest ) Cllrs Russell & W Poole Item 144/14<br>b) Non-Pecuniary Interest )<br>c) Sensitive Pecuniary Interest ) |

## 19.32-19.50 Public Time

Neighbourhood Watch (Church Road) & 2 x Dog Fouling signs have been erected by Residents Association

Residents highlighted reasons why they felt strongly that the Parish Council should donate more to The Hieron each month.

The Parish Council thanked for their efforts regarding street lighting on Crown Road.

Flooding reported at junction of Crown Avenue (No. 16) to be included in Highways "walkabout" list Clerk

The road surface in Crown Avenue to be included in Highways "walkabout" list Clerk

The organisation of the Football Team (Fenland Rovers) is to be taken over by a resident in the village, and going forward it is hoped that more activities will be organised for the younger people in the village

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## Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014 were Proposed for approval by Cllr Russell, with the amendment of Road changed to Wall in Item 114/14, AGREED Agreed

The minutes of the extra ordinary meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014 were Proposed for approval by Cllr Russell, and AGREED Agreed

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## Matters Arising

Thank you sent to Community Payback Team for painting of Skate Park

Letter sent to Hanks re HGV's through the village

Email sent re "Brown" tourism sign for Shop

Highways issues, signs on Upwell Road/Toll Road Junction reported, BT work on box at Scotts Road reported, adding "single track road" to Euximoor Drive sign requested, and request for next "walkabout" meeting. Flooding at a road junction to be included on Highways "walkabout" Clerk

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## Police Matters

No report received

Cllr Sutton to forward email notifying of change of FCOO Cllr Sutton

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## County Council Matters Report

Cllr Yulett raised the matter of "Time Banking" which is to be included on next agenda Clerk

County & District Councils are completing their budget setting process  
The quality of the profile for the next meeting

Bus services are being looked at carefully

Cllr Sutton stated that he believes the Street Light offer is not a bad offer

Cllr Yeulott left the meeting

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Recreation Ground

a) Letter regarding the merger has been sent to Charities Commission

b) Two quotes received, verbally, for removal of old play park equipment.

It was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that this item will be left until required, depending upon Village Hall build.

Agreed

c) New Metal waste bin insert to be made by Cllr Fritchard and sent to Clerk to obtain a quote.

Cllr Fritchard  
Clerk

d) Bank Accounts were Current Account £1820.82 Saver Account £7250.28

Cheque for water bill raised for £39.58

The investigation of the possible water leak is still ongoing

135/14

Village Hall Committee

a) Tender Pack for Village Hall build now complete, except to get Morton & Hall's observations (10/12/14) it was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that Richard goes ahead with this.

Agreed

Newspaper advert drawn up and it was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that a spend of £70 be authorised for this to be put into the local papers, and also Richard Guilford to clarify if the date of 18<sup>th</sup> December can be met, if not it will be second week in January 2015. Richard Guilford was thanked for all his work.

Agreed

A Village Hall Committee Meeting will be held dependent upon the date of advert and this will be discussed by Chair and Clerk.

b) It was Proposed by Cllr W Poole, and AGREED, that Cllr Clatwin replaces Cllr W Poole on the Village Hall Committee

Agreed

c) A proposal for the COM Work and Stage Inspections received from Morton & Hall it was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that these be accepted at £850 and £2000 respectively. The Clerk to sign and return the documents

Agreed  
Clerk

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Highways

a) No update on 2014-15 LHI bid

b) Letter and plan received regarding "Drive Slowly" on Euximoor Drive. This is to be discussed at Highways "walkabout" meeting.

Clerk

c) Highways "walkabout" meeting to take place on 16/12/14 at 9 a.m. at Pavilion Hall

All Councillors

d) Toll Road standing water to be included in Highways "walkabout"

Clerk

Street Lighting

a) Street Lighting offer from FDC discussed. Cllr Sutton to discuss with FDC if Cat 1 & Cat 2 lights can be swapped or removal, rather than renewal, of Cat 1 lights could be paid for from the fund.

Cllr Sutton

It was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that Christchurch Parish Council accept the offer from FDC, and the Clerk to communicate this.

Agreed

It was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that a letter be addressed to all Councillors for them to review and identify lights that can be removed

Clerk  
All Councillors

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Planning Applications

a) Planning Application

FYR140054/0010

Waste to energy to be installed by FDC SW107 at Oxmores, Church Road, Christchurch, Dorset. Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that a letter be addressed to FDC

Agreed  
Clerk

FYR140054/0010



Erection of a 2-storey 5-bed dwelling with detached double garage Plot 1 land north of bowling green and Pavilion, Upwell Road, Christchurch. It was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that the Parish Council object on the basis that there is a concern regarding the apparent encroachment onto Parish Council land at the Southern boundary. This is to be communicated to FDC by the Clerk and the boundary issue is to be discussed with John Maxey by Cllr Russell  
Cllr W Poole left the meeting

Agreed

Clerk  
Cllr Russell**b) Planning Granted**

F/YR14/ 0786/TRTPO

Works to 6no ash trees covered by TPO 02/2003 land south west of Green Lane, Christchurch. Granted 19/11/2014

**c) Tourism Signs**

The Clerk is to investigate further, with CCC, the possibility of a "brown" tourism sign for the Shop and Public House

Clerk

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**Income & Expenditure**

a) Members considered and APPROVED the following accounts for payment:

APPROVED

|                                      |                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| J Richardson                         | Clerks Salary        | £251.66        |
| J Richardson                         | Expenses             | £7.44          |
| Christchurch Village Resource Centre | The Heron            | £80.00         |
| Christchurch PCC                     | Cemetery Maintenance | £122.50        |
| Wisbech & District                   | Signs                | £70.00         |
| Neighbourhood Watch                  |                      |                |
|                                      | <b>TOTALS</b>        | <b>£531.60</b> |

b) Clerk reported on the current bank balances at end November 2014

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Community Account | £63,664.30         |
| Business Bonus    | £146,481.32        |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>    | <b>£210,145.62</b> |

Current earmarked reserved funds are:-

New Village Hall £185,321.59

Recreation Ground £75.07

Mrs Spall Request £200.00

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**Budgets 2015-16**

The Clerk to organise a working party to review the budgets in detail

Clerk

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**Donations**

Request from Volunteer Centre for funding and it was Proposed by Cllr Russell, and AGREED, that no donation be given

Agreed

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**Dog Fouling**

a) FDC information received regarding dog enforcement patrols and a possible "action" morning. This information is to be passed, by the Clerk, to Residents Association for them to action

Clerk

b) Further research into Bye-Laws will take place

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**Correspondence**

a) Rural Services Network Bulletin (emailed 05/11/14, 14/11/14, 17/11/14, 25/11/14, 26/11/14, 03/12/14)

b) Police & Crime Commissioners Briefing (emailed 05/11/14, 14/11/14, 01/12/14)

c) Fentons J Wilson Business Rates petition (emailed 14/11/14)

d) Cambs Area Newsletter (emailed 14/11/14)

e) Cambridgeshire Electoral Review (emailed 21/11/14)

f) Invite to Support for Young People in Rural Communities Meeting (emailed 26/11/14)

g) Fenland Community Safety Partnership Survey

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**Dates of 2015 Meetings**

The dates of 2015 Parish Council meetings were agreed

- 145/14 **Agenda Items/Next Meeting**  
The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Items to be included on the agenda should be with the Clerk by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015. **ALL COUNCILLORS**
- 144/14 **A Motion to exclude the Press & Public was Proposed by Cllr Gladwin and AGREED**  
Cllr Russell left the room  
**Allotments**  
An update on the current situation was reported and further actions agreed **Clerk**

Meeting Closed at 9.40 pm

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