

Newton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 18th May 2009

Present Chairman Mr. Hurrell
Councillors Mrs. Brander, Mr. Finch, Mr. Gray and Mrs Murdoch.
Clerk J. Oakes
District Councillors Mr. Berent, Ms. Dipple and Mr. Nightingale
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1 Apologies Cllrs Orgee and Kenney

2 Minutes of meeting on 30th March 2009. Proposed acceptance by Mrs. Murdoch, seconded by Mr. Finch and signed by the Chairman.

3 Matters arising.

i) Bulb planting and tree management to take place in November. Villagers to be invited to assist on a Saturday when there is a coffee morning scheduled.

ii) Picnic table has been purchased for the village green and the positioning delegated to Mr. Gray and Mrs. Murdoch. **EG/KM**

The first quote to create a concrete base for table was £310 and Mr. Gray was asked to obtain a second quote from M. Cooper **EG**

iii) As there has been no response to date from Highways Dept regarding kerb stones around island, the Clerk was instructed to write regarding this matter and repeat the request to have the road sign in Town Street mended. Also to request wooden posts to prevent parking on grass in front of War Memorial. **JO**

4 Questions from the Public.

It has been noticed that the volume and speed of traffic to Newton Hall in Town Street has increased considerably. Clerk to inform police and request a speed check at appropriate time **JO**

Go Karting occurred in the car park of Newton Hall and it was asked if a license was needed to hold such. Cllr Nightingale offer to check with planning authority. There is also the possibility to obtain ruling on grounds of noise.

It was requested that, as a result of some work being done to restore the path at the lower end of Town Street and exposing fire hydrants the Fire Brigade should be asked to check the hydrants in the village. **JO**

Cllr. Dipple interjected that it would be appropriate to copy correspondence on above matters to Cllr Orgee, who would follow up if necessary.

5 Correspondence.

Communications had been circulated before the meeting either by written or e-mail form
And late arrivals included;

Details of Insurance for 2009/10 and CALC fees. Acceptance of Insurance was agreed .

Late arrivals were noted:

Housing Futures.

Annual reports from Cllr. Dipple and Cllrs. Orgee and Kenney.

Playing Fields report

Report from Standards Committee

Planning permission for Post Office/Shop to change to residential.

CALC Newsletter

Details of forthcoming elections. (Copy of these has been posted on notice board.)

These late arrivals to be circulated.

6 Finance

- i) The Annual Account were accepted, proposed by Mrs. Murdoch , seconded by Mrs Brander, and agreed
- ii) Payments for the following were approved. Proposed by Mrs. Murdoch and seconded by Mrs. Brander; Insurance £307.07, CALC fees £108.23, C. Hellyer, internal auditor, £50.00 and Scotsdale Garden Centre (picnic table) £349.00
- iii) Copies of final Income and expenditure account for 2008/09 and the current financial position for 2009 /10 were distributed, the latter highlighting that 50% of precept, grass cutting grant and rent for land had been received.

7 Reports from district Councillors

Annual reports from Cllr. Dipple and Cllr. Orgee were acknowledged and are in circulation to Parish Councillors.

Cllr. Nightingale reported that the scheme mentioned at the last meeting of pub/youth club activities was due to start in September in Sawston, Stapleford and Shelford, after CRB checks have been completed on landlords,

8 Governance.

The circulated details of policies on financial governance, risk assessment and equal Opportunity were considered to still be relevant and accepted by Councillors.

Proposed by Mr. Gray and seconded by Mr. Hurrell.

9 Date of next meeting 8.00 pm in Newton Village Hall on Monday 6th July 2009.

Approved Date.....

