

WHAPLODE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2016
AT ST MARYS CHURCH WHAPLODE

Present as per register.

Present: District Cllr Chandler

Apologies:

Cllr Stafford, Cllr Merchant, Cllr Rouleston, Cllr Clay and the Police.

Public Forum:

No one present.

Matters arising:

The minutes of the October and November (finance) meeting having been previously circulated were agreed and there were no matters arising.

Police matters:

In the absence of the Police there was no report.

Finance Report:

The Clerk reported the following cheques for payment which members agreed,

101769 G Hawkes salary/expenses	£ 457.99
101770 HMRC	£ 79.20
101771 E Sterma & son Ltd	£1,620.00 vat £270.00

Balances:	High interest a/c	£ 69,751
	Business Prem	£ 23,359
	Current a/c	£ 15,885
	Less cheques	£ 2,157
	Balance	£106,838

The Clerk presented the 2017-2018 precept budget which was discussed by members who agreed to increase the annual grants to Whaplode PCC to £1,200 and Whaplode Drove playing field to £800. The 2017-2018 precept was agreed at £13,250 an increase of £250 – as appended.

Date of next meeting:

The Clerk advised the date for the next full council was 22nd February at Saracens head village hall with a finance meeting on 18th January. Meetings for 2017 were agreed as appended.

Planning applications.

The Clerk reported that applications had been dealt with as per annexed.

Allotments;

The Clerk confirmed he had written to Mr Login about his untidy allotment.

Star of India footpath:

Cllr Merchant had presented photographs of the encroachment and land registry maps and in his absence it was agreed to discuss this issue at the next meeting.

Highway matters;

Whaplode village – no issues

Whaplode St Catherines – no issues.

Whaplode Drove – leaf debris near the church had been reported by the Clerk and County Cllr Pepper to Lincs Highways.

Saracens Head – local residents and Dr Howden were still concerned about speeding lorries on Roman Bank. District Cllr Chandler had spoken in depth to the latter.

Interactive traffic indicators:

Cllr Pullen and Cllr Barlow are to liaise about moving a mounting plate in Whaplode.

Whaplode playing field;

Cllr Pullen advised that the field was in good order and being well used.

Whaplode sculptures:

Mr Hoyes had agreed to fund the cost of repairs to the damaged plinth. SHDC had confirmed that none of the artworks were on their asset register.

Whaplode St Catherines playing field:

The Clerk will chase Cllr Clay to see if he has arranged another mole treatment and check to see that the fence has been repaired.

General correspondence & general business;

The Clerk reported a letter from Lincs Highways about the closure of Saltney gate bridge for repairs.

The Chairman reported a letter from Mrs Seal about missing road signs in Whaplode Drove.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.55.

Chairman