

WHAPLODE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 19th OCTOBER 2016
AT WHAPLODE DROVE CHURCH MEETING ROOM

Present as per register.

Present: County Cllr Pepper, District Cllr Chandler, Lincs CC Highways Sue Cooper and one member of the public.

Apologies:

Cllr Stafford and the Police.

Public Forum:

Dr Howden attended the meeting with concerns about heavy goods vehicles and speeding along Roman Bank. Emails had been sent to the Clerk, Cllrs Pepper and Chandler. The Police had been requested to do increased speed checks. Sue Cooper agreed to add the road to the list for an Archer survey and Cllr Roulston will arrange to meet Naylors. Sue Cooper then gave an update and answered members questions on highway policy confirming that there is still a lack of funding to do all that needs to be done.

Matters arising:

The minutes of the August meeting having been previously circulated were agreed and there were no matters arising.

Police matters:

In the absence of the Police they had confirmed by email that hare coursing and trailer thefts were the current issues – there were no issues from members.

Finance Report:

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

101755 G Hawkes salary/expenses	£ 324.93
101756 HMRC	£ 79.20
101757 M Grummitt	£ 150.00 vat £25.00
101758 M Seymour	£ 400.00
101759 Holbeach P C	£ 100.00
101760 MGM	£ 408.00 vat £68.00
101761 PWLB	£ 56.06
101762 RBL Poppy appeal	£ 25.00
101763 Whaplode St Caths mem hall	£ 7000.00

Balances:	High interest a/c	£ 69,728
	Business Prem	£ 23,356

Current a/c	£ 22,687
Less cheques	£ 8,545
Balance	£107,226

The Clerk reported Grant Thornton had signed off the 2015-2016 accounts.

Date of next meeting:

The Clerk advised the date for the next full council was 14th December at Whaplode St Marys church.

Planning applications.

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

Allotments:

The Clerk reported that the October rents will be sent shortly, Carter Jonas had given the requisite 12 months notice about the next rent review. The Clerk will write to Mr Login about his untidy allotment.

Star of India footpath:

The Clerk had visited and Cllr Merchant presented photographs of the suggested encroachment, members agreed for the Clerk to liaise with Cllr Merchants to see if any conveyance maps were available.

Highway matters:

Whaplode village – no issues

Whaplode St Catherines – no issues.

Whaplode Drove – no new issues

Saracens Head – no issues

Interactive traffic indicators:

The Clerk reported that for various reasons the removable posts had not been installed. A survey for Roman Bank for LRSP advised the suggested points were too narrow and cameras would be damaged. The Clerk will try to progress.

Whaplode playing field:

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

Whaplode sculptures:

Cllr Barlow has visited Mr Hoyes who would allow the Parish Council to take on the sculptures and would be prepared to fund the cost of repairs and painting. Members agreed that the parish council would be prepared to consider this but at no cost to the council.

Whaplode St Catherines playing field:

ClIr Clay will arrange another mole treatment and check to see that the fence has been repaired.

Whaplode St Catherine memorial hall:

As previously agreed members confirmed that a cheque be issued for £7,000 towards the extension.

General correspondence & general business:

The Clerk reported a letter of thanks from Whaplode Drove PCC and Whaplode primary school re grants.

The Clerk reported the results for the Best Kept Village competition.

Members agreed to order some play area signs from SHDC.

Members asked for repairs to Whaplode village signs be added to thye next agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.10.

Chairman