

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, April 16th, 2018

Members present: Councillors Cameron, Ward, Walker, Richardson, Simmonds, O'Brien.

Visitors: Coun. B. Loynes (HBC ward councillor), M. Unwin.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** None.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Planning Applications:** H/2018/0088 Creation of Marshland habitat north of Greatham Creek. There were no objections.
4. **To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting:** they were accepted as a true record.
Proposed: Coun. Walker **Seconded:** Coun. Simmonds **Unanimous.**
5. **Matters arising from those minutes:** 5.1 Rural Plan: is ready but no poll date as yet.
5.2 Dog fouling: new signs are ready to be sprayed once the weather relents. 5.3 Promoting the Village: ongoing. 5.4 Parish Assets: ongoing. 5.5 Traffic issues in West Row: ongoing. 5.6 Traffic in the village: ongoing. 5.7 Queens Meadow landscaping: ongoing. 5.8 Paths/Trees in South Fens area: are as bad as ever. Letter to be written to HBC. 5.9 Tree work and signage in South Fens: see 5.8 and basic costs were obtained for new signs in South Fens, ranging from £20 to £200 plus fitting. Precise quotes will be obtained for a large, roadside sign.
6. **New Agenda items:** 6.1 Current council representation: under current legislation a councillor can remain on the council if still on the electoral register. Matters would be left for the next three meetings but are subject to change.
7. **Accounts:** transactions and balances were presented and accepted as correct.
8. **Correspondence:** (i) Barclays statements (ii) Greatham Sports Field Association thanking the PC for their donation (iii) S. Ragg re new courses (iv) Elan City Roadside speed detectors.
9. **Reports:** 9.1 Greatham in Bloom: first judging will be tomorrow (17th. April)
9.2 Power Station: meeting on June 6th.
9.3 Community Centre: no firm news as yet but grant options are being considered.
9.4 Conservation Advisory Committee: there had been a meeting last week but the main topic was Church St.
10. **Repairs and Maintenance:** 1. Potholes at Bank Top 2. Path in The Drive between The Grove and Front St. 3. Brickwork at Mellanby Court entrance 4. Footpath in Parish Row 5. Flooding outside the shop in Vicarage Row 6. Path on the bridge over Greatham Beck 7. debris left on the Black Path from tree trimming 8. Flooding at the sports field entrance 9. Pavement near the Green is part done but paths on the Green need attention 10. Pavement in Saltaire Terr. 11. Potholes in Old Stockton Rd. 12. Pothole at the junction of Parish and West Rows 13. Flood On Station Rd. prior to Saltaire Terr. 14. Severe flooding on Greatham slip road at Sappers Corner. 15. Leaf debris in Aldeburgh Close. 16. Bush still blocks path near 19 Wisbech Close.
11. **Public issues:** the Post Office re-opening is still not clear. The Post Office themselves have rejected a request that the mobile one visits the parish during these interim months.
A little work is still needed to complete the process of getting Thorntree Lane on the official Map!
There will be an agenda item at the next meeting to deal with the South Fens "situation."
12. **Date of the next meeting:** will be Monday May 14th., along with the AGM in the Community Centre at 6.30p.m.

Financial statement as at 31.3.18

Community Account balance as at 28.02.18: £661.79

Cheques issued:

498 HMRC £34.18 (clerk's tax x 2)

499 J. Cunliffe £191.20 (salary £136.72(x 2), expenses £54.48)

Community Account balance as at 31.03.18: £436.41

Bonus Saver Account balance as at 31.03.18: £679.33