

Minutes of The Extra Ordinary Meeting of Hollowell & Teeton Parish Council held on February 10th 2016 in Hollowell Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Present: A. Crisp (Chair), M. Tomalin, B. Wenden, S. McCubbin, H. Oswin, E Curtis, F Keable (Clerk)

17.2016 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr Eaton and Cllr Kinch. It was Resolved to accept the apologies.

18.2016 Written requests for dispensations for agenda items

None received.

19.2016 Declarations of interest for items on the agenda

None received.

20.2016 Public Forum

No public present

21.2016 Pocket Park

21.2016/1 Hedge maintenance – Council to decide on extent of work and contractor

The Chairman outlined the options available to the council. Three quotes had been obtained; there was a difference of opinion in the suitability of the hedge to be laid. One contractor thought it would be easily possible to lay the hedge and get good coverage over the length of it by planting new whips in the gaps. The other contractors felt that the hedge would be best cut down, this would allow new growth, young plants would be planted in the gaps and a fence would be erected between the hedge and the ditch. Cllr Eaton had spoken to Cllr Wenden and Cllr Tomalin and suggested that it might be an option for councillors to cut the hedge down and replant it themselves with the aid of Cllr Eaton's equipment. After some discussion it was agreed that unfortunately time restrictions meant that the councillors felt that it would be better to have the hedge cut professionally. The Chairman proposed the following;

- a) Cut Creaton Road hedge in the Pocket Park down to ground level (retaining mature trees) Materials to be disposed of on site by burning or shredding or removed from Pocket Park. Work to be completed before 29th Feb 2016. If necessary, to remove existing wire stock fencing and posts.
- b) Excavation of ditch located on park side of hedgerow to re-instate drainage for entire length.
- c) On completion of cutting hedgerow to consult with member of Parish Council and determine extent of any replanting necessary to re-instate hedgerow on roadside of ditch. Complete agreed replanting with hedging plants, canes and guards. Work to be completed as soon as practicable
- d) On completion of hedge cutting to consult with member of parish council and determine line of fencing on inside of pocket park. Complete agreed fencing with C8/80/15 Wire stock fencing and treated wooden posts (spaced to adequately support fencing) (No Barbed wire) Length 145 metres. Work to be completed as soon as practicable.

Cllr Oswin seconded the proposal, there were four votes that supported the proposal, one voted against and one abstention. The motion was carried with no amendments.

The Chairman proposed that Philip White was appointed as the contractor, the proposal was seconded by Cllr Wenden, there were five votes supporting the proposal and one abstention.

The Chairman sought views of councillors on advising residents of the work to be undertaken and it was agreed those residents on Creaton Road living closest to the Park would be notified by letter and information also added to the Hollowell Facebook page.

21.2016/2 Monthly Inspection – Councillor Wenden to report

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Cllr Wenden reported that everything is all ok in the park except that it is very muddy and wet in all areas.

22.2016 Street lighting – Chairman to report on the damage to Light No’ 22 in Teeton and council to decide action.

The Chairman reported that it has come to his attention this week that streetlight number 22 in Teeton is being repeatedly vandalised. Eon have now attended twice to repair it, once for a smashed photocell and once for the removal of the column door and fuse holder. Eon advised the chairman that whoever had done this had done so without authorisation or a G39 Certificate. It would also have been potentially hazardous.

The cost to the council for the repairs totals £46.16 so far.

It was agreed that a laminated sign would be placed on the lamppost stating that the Council was having to pay for the repairs and that the police would be contacted if this happened again.

23.2016 Finance

23.2016/1 Council to resolve payment of the Clerks SLCC membership, H & T contribution £37.25

Cllr Tomalin proposed that the Council pay a contribution towards the membership of the SLCC, Cllr Wenden seconded the proposal and all agreed.

23.2016/2 Resolution to approve any payments presented at the meeting

the following payments were presented for authorisation;

Details	Amount £	Cheque Number
HMRC paye	38.80	799
F keable salary Feb+postage	161.64	800
Eon Repairs	28.16	801
Eon repairs	18.00	802
SLCC annual membership	37.25	803
Reimburse F Keable, Norton antivirus	64.99	804

24.2016 Local Plan Part 2a, Settlements and Countryside Local Plan 2011-2029 Consultation. Closing date March 11th 2016 – Council to discuss and agree action

The Clerk outlined the above consultation, It was agreed that the Chairman would complete the forms on behalf of the council.

25.2016 Road Closure Church Hill, Hollowell – Council to determine need for any additional action to notify residents.

It was agreed that no action would be taken other than to advertise the road closure on Facebook and on the notice board.

26.2016 Next meeting March 16th 2016