

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council, Yaxley Parish Council  
held in the Council Chamber, the Amenity Centre, Main Street, Yaxley  
on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016.**

Present:- Councillor R Butcher – Vice Chairman in the Chair

Councillors G Bellamy, C Bolton, S Butler, J Lusted, J Reed, A Rees, P Russell, S White, J Willis and A Wood.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor.

**FC61. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors A Bartle, P Crooke, K Gulson, M Oliver and C Thorne (all personnel).

**FC62. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor A Wood declared an “other” interests in item FC72 by virtue of being named in the list of payments.

Councillor J Reed declared an “other” interest in item FC68 by virtue of residing on Chapel Street.

**FC63. MINUTES**

Councillor J Lusted proposed approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016. This was seconded by Councillor P Russell and **RESOLVED.**

**FC64. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No Member of the Public wished to speak.

**FC65. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FC65.1 PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Members received and noted the draft Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016.

**FC65.2 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

The Minutes of the Personnel Committee held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016 were received and noted.

**FC65.3 COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Members received and noted the draft Minutes of the Community Facilities Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

**FC66. NORMAN CROSS ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Members received an invitation from Norman Cross Area Road Safety Committee to send a representative to their monthly meetings. The correspondence had referred to a meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September, to which Councillor Russell had tried to attend, unfortunately the meeting had been moved without warning. Members noted that a representative would be very welcome at any future meetings.

**FC67. ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2016 – EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Members received and noted the contents of the External Auditor's Report on the Council's Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book).

#### **FC68. LOCAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

With the assistance of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members were informed of the opportunity to apply for funding under the Local Highways Improvement Fund.

Having received the background to the funding Members considered two possible projects being the installation of footway outside 1 Chapel Street and the creation of zebra crossing on Broadway. In comparing the two, Members were of the opinion that the zebra crossing would improve the safety for more residents than the footway. Members were advised that the cost of a zebra crossing would be approx. £15,000 and any bid would require a supporting vehicle and pedestrian survey which the County Council would be able to provide forms for. Alternative measures were also discussed including the installation of traffic calming flashing road signs.

Attention was also drawn to a proposal from Fourfields school to submit a local highway improvement bid for zig zag lines and 2 flashing road signs on Daimler Avenue. In supporting the school, Members suggested that the school approach the walking to school initiative and Cambridgeshire Road Safety Partnership to see if they could help.

Having been reminded that the Parish Council could only submit one application and that the scheme may not be successful, Councillor C Bolton proposed that Fourfields be advised that the Council would support their application. This was seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED**.

At the same time, Councillor S White proposed that the Parish Council undertake the necessary surveys on Broadway with a view to submitting an application for a zebra crossing. This was seconded by Councillor P Russell and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

*Subsequently Councillors A Bartle, C Bolton, S Butler, R Butcher and J Lusted offered to undertake the survey and the Clerk would contact the County Council regarding this.*

#### **FC69. HIGHWAY VOLUNTEERING SCHEME**

Members received an information pack on the new Community Highways Volunteering scheme being promoted by Cambridgeshire County Council. Members noted that anyone in the community could become a volunteer to help improve their area's highways. The four areas where the County Council would like help with were siding out, vegetation cutting back, sign cleaning and litter picking. Members were encouraged to complete the registration form if they were interested in helping.

#### **FC70. POLICE MATTERS**

Members noted a summary of crimes, for the months of July and August by street location for the Parish (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book).

#### **FC71. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT**

Councillors received and noted the contents of the Bank Reconciliation Statements as at 31<sup>st</sup> July and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 (copies of which are appended in the Minute Book).

#### **FC72. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND PETTY CASH**

The schedule of payments made since the previous meeting, which included details of the purchase ledger cheques requiring payment, (a copy of which is appended in the Minute

Book) was proposed by Councillor P Russell, seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to be paid.

**FC56. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES**

Members received the following updates from representatives:

- Councillor R Butcher reported that he had asked District Councillor Watt to look into the wireless wi-fi which had been promised by HDC as part of the CCTV package. Councillor A Rees added that HDC had also promised use of a mobile CCTV camera.
- Having been advised by Councillor P Russell that the scouts were ready to empty the old garage in the Recreation Ground, Members offered the assistance of the Grounds Team in moving the items.
- Councillor A Rees drew Members' attention to the roundabout and give way box on Broadway – both of which require painting. The Clerk would report this to the County Council.
- Members were reminded of the work previously undertaken by Councillor A Rees to recognise the bravery of flying officer Neb Kujundzix, who diverted his plane from crashing in the village during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War. Councillor Rees explained that Neb's niece from Canada would be visiting his memorial in the Cemetery for the first time on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 11.00am and she was hoping that Councillors and other fellow dignitaries would be able to attend.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signed .....

Chairman.