Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 7th April 2008

Present:

Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)	Cllr John Pickard (JP)
Cllr Frances Cartwright	Cllr Malcolm Dodds	Cllr Rick Miller (RM)
(FC)	(MD)	
		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
Press		
Not present		
No members of the		
public		

Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologises –, Cllr Andrew Dodds (AD), District Cllr Andrea Webster (AW), Mr & Mrs Pickering (Press)	
2	Declarations of Interest – MD declared an interest in planning application to demolish garage at Moorfield House farm	
3	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by JP and seconded by BH.	
4	Matters Arising	
	The AP for BW & AD concerning the Land Registry forms to be carried forward to next meeting as AD not present & BW said he had had no further information regarding this from AD.	AD, BW
5	Cemetery	
	BW stated that the Cemetery were quite a way behind the Church with regards fees. They were last increased in 2005 so BW proposed that we increase the cemetery fees in line with the Church. A short discussion was had and the proposal was agreed. BW will copy the new fees to JL.	BW
	On checking last couple years Cemetery accounts it was found that the Cemetery was spending more than it was collecting and as a result it was decided that fees should be reviewed every January.	
	BW stated that a resident had recently died who had arranged his funeral last year and as a result had paid the old Cemetery fees. It was agreed we would honour this.	
6	Neighbourhood Watch	
	BW stated that he had received a letter from Mr Pickering	

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	resigning from the post of Neighbourhood Watch Co- Ordinator. Harry Sewed would continue his role but did not want to take up the Co-ordinator role. As a result we need to advertise for a new co-ordinator. BH will put a note in the next edition of Perfectly Aslackby for volunteers.	ВН
	BW said that Mr Pickering had a touch phone that came with the role and he would return it to us. This will then be given to who ever wishes to take up the role.	
	BH said he had herd a rumour that there had been a burglary on Temple Rod but as nothing else had been mentioned he assumed it was in reference to a burglary that happened some time ago.	
7	Planning	
	JL said he had received notification that the application to extend The Cottage, Aveland Way had been accepted. Also that the application to build a further 6 houses on the Dovecote had been withdrawn.	
	An application had been received to demolish a garage at Moorfield House farm. This had been returned with no objections.	
	No further applications have been received.	
8	Highways BH stated that the signpost from near the Church had gone missing. BW said it had been taken away to be repaired and re-painted. They had also taken away the one at the Laughton turning outside the village boundary.	
	JL gave an update on the water leak on Temple road. The Water Board was investigating and would update him when they had decided what was causing it. He will contact them again to get an update. BH said that there had been reports of a higher than normal number of rats had been seen, possibly as a result of the leak on Temple Road. JL said he would mention this when he next spoke to the Water Board.	JL
	BW had been unable to contact Chris Maws to get an update on the flood survey but would try again.	BW
	There had been a report that some asbestos had been dumped at the gravel pits on the back road to Pointon. BW said this site belonged to Pointon Parish Council. FC said she would take this matter away and inform highways to get the items removed. She will also look into other ways of	FC

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	finding out who keeps fly tipping at the sight.	
9	Finance	
	JL had provided BW with the number of hours the PC had used the Village Hall for meetings. BW will now get a bill raised for the required amount.	BW
	Some discussion was had around the amount to be paid in future. BW said that the village Hall Committee had come up with a figure of £120.00, as this is what was paid last year. However no record could be found of this amount being paid. It was decided that we should still pay the hourly rate agreed, as this would be cheaper than paying £120.00. The new hourly rate from April would increase to £6.50 to £7.50.	
	JL will do an invoice for stationary and postage he had incurred since taking up the post of Clerk. He will add this to his wages up to 31 st March.	JL
	JL said a number of bills had been received, LALC - £75.20, Anglian Water - £141.93, SKDC Rates - £8.48. These were agreed and cheques written. Funds may need to be transferred between accounts to cover these costs.	
10	Notification had been received that the Precept money would be paid into the account within the next 5 days. SKDC Update	
10	SKDC Opdate	
	FC gave a brief SKDC Update. Council Tax bills will have to be re-sent in the near future following the Governments decision to cap the amount requested by Lincs Police. This should result in bills being reduced.	
	A meeting had been held to areas that need to be included in the new "ban on drinking in a public place". A short discussion was had as to what these new boundaries were and how they had been arrived at.	
	FC informed the PC that, due to the number of Immigrant Workers in the area SKDC had now decided that they should be able to vote in local elections.	
11	Correspondence	
	JL passed around the list of correspondence that had been received since the last meeting. No questions were raised.	
	BW said some correspondence was still going to the house of the last Clerk. One of these was a notice concerning the mobile Police Van. He will put this notice in the village notice	BW

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	board.	
12	A.O.B. BW asked BH to put an apology in the next Perfectly	
	Aslackby Newsletter following his comments in the last one. BW had received a number of complaints re the article on housing and commuters and asked BH to make it clear that the comments in the letter were not those of the PC. BH said another letter would be going out shortly with an apology in it.	
	MD said AD told him he would sort out his Action point outstanding from the last meeting regarding the land registry from for the Cemetery.	
	The next meeting will start early, as it was also the AGM. The PC meeting will start immediately after the AGM. JP will see JL before the next meeting to get a copy of the accounts.	JP
	JL asked for everyone's e-mail address so he can email out the minutes in future. RM said he would prefer to receive his as he does now.	
	JL had agreed to take on the Press role for future meetings as Mr & Mrs Pickering had resigned from this role also. He was asked to provide a letter of thanks for all their efforts in the past. This would also extend to their Neighbourhood Watch Role.	JL
13	Date of next meeting 12 th May 2008 – 7 pm Village Hall	
	Meeting closed at 9.15pm	