

LONGSTOWE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 21st April 2016 after the Open Meeting
in Longstowe Village Hall

Present: Cllr Barbara Cooper (Chairperson)
Cllr Will Bevan
Cllr Geoff Hemmins
Cllr Ben Holland
Bobbie Coe – Clerk

120 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Sebastian Kindersley.

121 THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of Thursday 17th March 2016 were agreed and signed.

122 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS AND PCSO

Cllr Bridget Smith reported on the Government's 'Devolution deal' for Cambs, Norfolk and Suffolk. The Local Plan is under discussion with amendments, unlikely to be in place before late 2017; current appeals are taking 60 weeks. There are currently over 800 planning applications (usually there are about 300); there are now shared services with Cambridge City with one new Head of Planning over both sections. There are further Community Chest grants available for 'stand-alone needs' up to a maximum of £1,500. The new Railway link is expected to be along the A428 – Sandy – St Neots. The Police and Crime Commissioner's office will relocate to Huntingdon.

123 MATTERS ARISING/TO REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a) CCC: NM-107369: Church entrance potholes to be re-reported.
- b) CCC: NM-107773: replacement of street light at crossroads: completed.
- c) CCC: NM-107774: requested illuminated 'keep left' signs on each of the raised kerbed islands for the street lights, as the current situation is dark and dangerous: completed.

124 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None received.

125 FINANCE

- a) Fen Feeds Ltd: advert for one year in the *Skylark*: £20.
- b) Annual Return received from PKF Littlejohn.
- c) Section 137 Expenditure: Limit for 2016–2017 is £7.42.
- d) Victoire Press: *Skylark*: £56.

126 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

None received.

127 TO CONSIDER OTHER MATTERS

- a) Cambridgeshire County Council Boundary Review: representation to stay with Gamlingay was considered; Clerk to contact Little Gransden PC.
- b) At the Village Hall AGM it was agreed to refurbish the current Hall; a meeting has been arranged in Comberton to discuss grants.

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- c) Fen Feeds Ltd: disappointed in their advert in the April *Skylark*. It was agreed that they would not be charged for that issue.

128 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A list of correspondence received is printed in the Agenda which is placed on the notice boards prior to the Parish Council meeting and details are available from the Clerk.

129 SKYLARK – TO CONSIDER ANY EDITORIAL ISSUES

130 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 19th May 2016 at 7.15 – Annual General Meeting

Signed by:.....
Chairperson

Date: