

19th June 2014

LONGSTOWE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 19th June 2014 at 7.15pm
in Longstowe Village Hall

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

Also present: Cllr S Kindersley, Mr R Murden

Report from Mr R Murden: As the Parish Council are unable to fund the cost of a mower for the Sports Club, it should re-apply for funding from the SCDC. There are blocked gullies throughout the High Street that need urgent attention. He has cleaned the southern village sign. The Pound fence needs repairing or replacing: Cllr W Bevan offered materials to do the work.

13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr B Smith, Cllr David Rolls.

14 THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
Minutes of 15th May 2014 were agreed and signed.

15 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS
Cllr S Kindersley: Roadworks in Arrington: A1198 closed 8pm to 6am from 23rd June for up to four weeks. Using Speedwatch: it is possible to have a survey at a cost of about £250; volunteers for Bourn Speedwatch might be appreciated and give Longstowe the chance to use their equipment. Yellow duct-tape on the non-working speed sign might help slow speeding drivers. The new bus service: use it or lose it; if well used, it might be expanded.

16 MATTERS ARISING/TO REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a) Drainage problems on the Old North Road: ongoing.
- b) Access/footway at Middle Farm: ongoing.
- c) Flooding by St John's Farm: ongoing.
- d) Rushbrook Close trees: Accent Group has given permission for the Parish Council to remove the trees. Clerk to check on insurance and inform residents.

17 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA
None received.

18 FINANCE

- a) CAPALC: Permission to attend Clerks' annual catch-up day, 11 July: £25.
- b) CCC: Street lighting: £175.51.
- c) Permission to purchase *Arnold Baker on Council Administration*, 9th edition: £60.
- d) Derek Saunders: Repairs to High Street bus shelter: £350.00.
- e) No funding available for EACH (East Anglia's Children's Hospices).

- 19 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
Several planning applications have been received relating to the Northstowe area. These should be brought to the July meeting.
- 20 TO CONSIDER OTHER MATTERS
- a) Village Hall: plans are moving forward.
 - b) Parish Paths Partnership Scheme: ongoing.
 - c) Longstowe speed limits: having received a negative response regarding the A1198 from the Road Safety Team of Cambs County Council, the Parish Council intend to look again at speeding on the A1198, perhaps using Speedwatch or a survey. As many Villagers have promised financial support for this project, the PC will not change its position without further general and open discussion.
 - d) NRS Healthcare: Safe+Well: information and advice service on 'daily living aids': information should be printed in the *Skylark* and encourage a Village Hall meeting to advise and explain use of aids.
 - e) It was noted that the Clerk has copies of the Anglian Water complaint-handling leaflets.
- 21 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.
- 22 SKYLARK – TO CONSIDER ANY EDITORIAL ISSUES
Several articles have been submitted:
- a) Scam Awareness.
 - b) Preparing for a power cut.
 - c) Ladybird Charity.
 - d) Summer at the Museums.
 - e) Anglian Water: Avoiding blocked pipes.
 - f) New Bus Service, Demand Responsive Transport, Service 28.
 - g) New Bus Service, BikeBus Explorer.
 - h) Gamlingay Division: thank you.
- 23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Thursday 24th July 2014 at 7.15pm (n.b. there is no meeting in August)

Signed by:.....
Chairperson

Date: