

ROYDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Parish Room, St. Remigius Church on Tuesday 12 January 2016 at 7.15 pm

Present:	David Bartrum	DB	
	Paul Curson	PC	Chairman
	Pam Murton	PM	
	David Goldson	DG	District Councillor
	Jenny Shorter	JS	
	John Taylor	JT	Vice Chair
	Elizabeth Taylor	ET	

In attendance Gareth Roderick-Jones GR-J Clerk

Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Action

- 1 The Chairman welcomed members of the public to the meeting. Apologies were received from County Councillor Jenny Chamberlin and Councillor Andrew Daniels.

Declarations of Interest

- 2 No declarations for the Agenda were received.

Residents Forum

- 3 a Highways: There is still a problem with excessive mud and water on Snow Street and area. It is difficult to tell exactly where the water is coming from while the weather is so wet; we need a spell of drier weather to determine the nature and extent of the problem. PC will get GRJ to arrange a site meeting with Highways and other interested parties after approx 2 weeks of improved weather. **PC, GRJ**
- b Darrow Lane 0- road surface has been badly damaged as a result of recent work and trenching has been badly reinstated. DG will ascertain contractor details so this can be followed up. **DG**
- c The van is still parked in the layby, apparently as a free advertising billboard. PC has contacted DVSA to ascertain what our possible courses of action are and awaits a response (which may take approx 2 weeks to come). **PC GRJ**
- d Street lighting: outside 19 The Close (previously reported) – to be followed up; also a full lighting survey was ordered and paid for in September 2015 but has not yet materialized, and will be followed up with an email to Highways.

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2015

- 4 It was noted that Elizabeth Taylor was present at this meeting though her name had been omitted from the minutes, then the Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman. All in agreement.

Matters Arising

- 5 a Noticeboards: noticeboard near Village Hall needs to be rechecked in 6 months' time and might need work **JT**
- b noticeboard in Loieue's Lane is wet inside and needs replacement **JT**

pinboard and a metal hood over the opening to deflect rainwater; can be done at a cost of £153.55 + VAT – discussed and unanimously APPROVED
It was noted that inspection of the war memorial and the village sign will await better weather later in the year.

c Sarah Richards (Deputy Town Clerk at Diss) has invited Roydon to participate in the Queen's 90th celebrations by paying £300 for a floating beacon on Diss Mere; an alternative suggestion is for Roydon to mark the occasion with a suitable donation under Section 137; decision DEFERRED to next meeting

GRJ

d A crack has appeared in the wall of the Village Hall; it will be worth having this surveyed and Adam Parr of Banham was put forward as a suitable contractor. JS has a Hall meeting tomorrow (13 January) and will advise PC of the decision; PC can then forward contact details for JT to liaise direct with the contractor.

**JS,
PC, JT**

Accounts for Payment

- 6 The following was approved for payment
JM Crerar Grass Cutting £190.00

Monthly Income and Expenditure Report

The following was AGREED

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Monthly Income and Expenditure Report			
24 November 2015			
	Current	Deposit	TOTAL
Balance B/F 4.11.15	£23,117.89	£7,826.68	£30,944.57
Total Receipts to 4.12.15	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Outgoings to 4.12.15	£1,275.71	£0.00	£1,275.71
Inter-Account Transfers Nov	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Closing Balance 4.12.15	£21,842.18	£7,826.68	£29,668.86

It was also decided that the Clerk should attempt a change of address for banking matters

GRJ

2016/17 Precept

- 8 Following discussion of alternative solutions, it was decided to apply for a Band D sum of £23.10, which represents an increase of 2% over the 2015/16 figure, which equates to approximately 1p per household per week. This increase of 2% is in line with government recommendations. Proposed: PC, seconded: JT and AGREED unanimously.

Highways

- 9 The pothole on Hall Lane has not been dealt with; PC will send a photo to Highways. **PC**

- 10 **Street Lights**
Please see note 3d above.

Allotments

- 11 The tenant of 6C has not yet returned her items to the allotment since their removal by PC (though this could have been because of bad weather and will have to be monitored). NALC advise a laminated notice attached to something in the allotment; PC will arrange this and will also arrange for a notice to be placed in the parish magazine.

PC

Brewers Green

- 12 The plan to replace the overhead cables with underground cables has been approved. Drainage problems persist.

Planning

- 13 No new applications.

Correspondence (outgoing)

- 14 nil

Correspondence (incoming)

- 15 The following were distributed:
- Snetterton to Diss High Voltage Cable newsletter
 - Circular regarding public consultation by PCC Norfolk
 - NALC newsletter

Report from District Councillor

- 16 Councillor Goldson's report was circulated to the Council

Report from County Councillor

- 17 none

Any Other Business/Items for next Agenda

- 19 The Queen's 90th celebrations: next agenda
Deadline for submission of article for parish magazine is this Friday (15 January)
Dog bins: next agenda

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Date and Time of Next Meeting

- 20 Tuesday **23 February**, 7.15 pm in Parish Room, St. Remigius Church.
Items for next agenda by Monday 15 February please