

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEEDS PARISH COUNCIL
Held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at 7.48pm.

Present: Mr China
 Mrs Fort
 Mr Springford
 Mrs Young

In attendance: Mrs Sherrie Babington – Clerk, and members of the public

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Fort.

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Councillors Wallace, Govett and Gallihawk, KCC Councillor Springford, MBC Councillor Parvin and the police.

2. Declaration of Interests.

Councillor Young informed the meeting that she was now the Secretary of the Village Hall Committee.

3. Public Comments.

A resident attended the meeting and raised concerns regarding the footpaths from Ledian Farm upwards as these were in need of sweeping. The Clerk was asked to liaise with KCC regarding this matter.

Action: Clerk to action.

It was reported that there was a tree to the right of the pavillion that was dead. Councillor Young stated that she would organise the removal of the tree.

Action: Councillor Young to action.

Concerns were raised regarding the parking problems in Burgess Hall Drive. Councillor Fort stated that this was a situation that the Parish Council could not assist with as in the past it had liaised with MBC about parking permits and this was not possible. She stated that she would place an item in the Parish Magazine to draw this to resident's attention.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were circulated to all present. These were proposed by Councillor Fort, seconded by Councillor Young and agreed by all present. These were then signed and dated by the Chairman of the meeting.

5. Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising.

6. Police Report.

The crime report was noted.

It was agreed to invite the police to the Annual Meeting of the Parish.

Action: Clerk to progress.

7. Parish Council Website.

Councillor Fort spoke regarding the website and stated that this was looking good and still progressing.

8. MBC Borough Councillor Report.

Borough Councillor Peter Parvin gave his apologies to the meeting.

9. KCC Councillors Report.

KCC Councillor Gary Cooke gave his apologies to the meeting.

10. Correspondence & Clerks Report.

Members noted the Clerks Report and the correspondence received during the course of the month.

11. Planning Matters.**New Applications Received**

No new applications received.

12. Financial Matters.**a. Financial Statement.**

The financial statements for the Parish Council and Playing Field Accounts was presented to Councillors and approved. (Young/Fort).

13. Parish Maintenance.

Members discussed the maintenance of the parish.

14. Playing Field.

Councillor Young reported on the Playing Field. She informed members that there was a problem with an unaccompanied dog at the playing field that was escaping for the neighbouring property. She stated that the dog was messing at the playing field.

This was discussed and it was agreed to write to the owners of the dog to seek their support in keeping it under control.

Action: Clerk to action.

It was agreed that the tennis courts should be inspected to ensure that they were ready for the summer season. Councillor Young stated that she would undertake the inspection.

Action: Councillor Young to action.

15. Playing Field Litter Bin.

Councillor Young reported that there had been an increase in the rubbish at the playing field and this was a result of the football matches. She stated that there was a need for a litter bin at the field.

This was discussed and it was agreed that two bins were required. Councillor Fort stated that she would look at the options for the bins.

Action: Councillor Fort to action.

16. Street Lighting.

The Clerk reported on the street lighting and the maintenance that was needed. It was agreed that the schedule should be emailed to Councillors and an inspection would take place.

17. Church Car Park Recycling Units.

The Clerk reported on correspondence from MBC regarding the future of the recycling units and passing some responsibility for the maintenance of these over to the PC.

It was agreed that the Clerk should establish further details before any decisions were made.

Action: Clerk to progress.

18. Highway Matters.a) General Matters.

Councillor Fort reported on the issues relating to the rumble strips.

b) Lorry Watch.

It was reported that Lorry Watch was still being undertaken.

19. Joint Parish Group & LDF.

Councillor Fort updated members on this matter and reported that the next JPG meeting was due to take place on 11th April 2013.

A discussion took place regarding the Public Meeting concerning the proposed development by Golding Homes.

Councillor China asked what the view of the PC was regarding the development. It was agreed that the PC would not wish to see 5000 homes in the area.

20. Neighbourhood Plans.

No matters were raised.

21. Further questions from public.

No matters were raised.

22. Urgent Matters.

Councillor China reported on the progress of the Faster Broadband Campaign.

23. Date of next Parish Council Meeting.

Tuesday 14th May 2013 at Leeds Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was closed 9.10pm.

Signed _____

Dated _____