

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LONGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Held at Longford Village Hall on Tuesday 1st December 2015 at 7.30 pm.

Present

Cllrs. P. Gough (Chair) B. McInerney L. Gough .E. Doherty. K. Doherty

Apologies A. Ward Maternity Leave

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30 pm

Minutes of last meeting	
Agreed and signed.	
Public	
Mr. L. Bailey from 8.30pm.	
Matters Arising	
ED had letter re 106 monies and provision of bus shelters, it was agreed that clarification was needed. K. D. & E. D. Had received a visit from a neighbour in a distresses state re the yard for Concrete and associated products as the yard was filling up with skips right up to and overlooking her boundary fence. TBC planning to be contacted. ED has advertised the PC's vacancies on the Web site and further afield.	ED PO
Correspondence	
By email Emma Tyler of Ronans trust will attend in January re allotment. PG said that he and LG were to attend Flood Forum meeting on 2 nd ED also attending.	
Declarations. of Interest	
All Councillors declared Interest in the New development. PG. LG. & BM declared interest in Longford Village Hall. ED and KD on Yard for concrete & associated products in Sandhurst Lane and flooding.	
Planning	
Longford Mews refused. PG and LG had attended Twigworth PC meeting where planning for a development was discussed and the problems which would occur due to the infrastructure which could not sustain the additional traffic. The classification of the land was also discussed.	
Park & Playing Field	
Nil	
Finance	
Clerk said that books were in good order. Grant for Web site been approved and paid (£1665. The Govt. Has redeemed the War Bonds held by the PC and are in process of repaying £1896.47.	

<p>Necessary cheques were signed. Budget 16/17 had been approved approved. Precept no increase. ED said Band D rate to remain which after the decrease in the support grant will probably mean a small increase due to the additional houses in the Parish. Clarification on Village Hall Deed of Trust needed as to what would happen should Village Hall Committee fold and PC decline to take it over. Deed to Jaron Crooknorth when ED has examined it. i.e. does it go to Charity Commissioners. Ideas for improvements with 106 monies needed.</p>	
Flood	
<p>KD said that river levels were rising and more heavy rain was forecast. She had a provisional date for the next Multi Agency meeting. ED had been approached to take part in a DEFRA project on flood resilience.</p>	
Highways	
<p>Problems with litter etc Fircroft Rd discussed. Agreed that this was not a PC matter.</p>	
Village Hall	
<p>BM said next meeting was in February 16. Then at two monthly intervals. Problem with floor needed attention. Christmas decorations kept to minimum. BM has been emailing Phil Hardwicke of Hitchin's to see where we were with 106 monies.</p>	
Allotments	
Water to be turned off.	PO
Tree Warden	
Nil	
Health & Social Care	
<p>BM said NHS has developed an app which can be downloaded to help people manage their own care and know where to go for treatment.. BM will arrange for informative posters to be forwarded for display.</p>	
Environment.	
<p>ED said that Fly Tipping was still an ongoing problem. The bridle path was still blocked. EA and GCC not bothered. Rambles had an app which was asking for volunteers to help with keeping footpaths open /identifying those which are blocked.</p>	
Police	
None present.	
TBC	
None present	
GCC	

None present	
Public Mr. Bailey was updated on matters relating to 106 monies and Village Hall.	

There being no further business the chair declared the meeting closed at 8.45p.m.

P. J. Gough

Chair

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