

OUTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting (the 305th), of the Council, commenced on Tuesday 6th February 2018, With the Chairman Councillor Mr J. Wake presiding.

Attending :-

Councillors Mr. Fred Keer, Mr Alan Mould, Mr. J. Hollands, Mrs J. Gooch, Mrs T. Rust and Mr D. Murfitt.

Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts

1 member of public

Apologies for absence :-

Councillors Mr John Watts, Mr D. Boyce, Mr P. Brenchley and Mr. P. Cutting
County Councillor Mr. Harry Humphrey.

Public Forum :-

Village Cleaner has requested a new bin to be placed near the seat that is located on the Church Wall near Church Bridge. It was proposed by Councillor Mr. Alan Mould to purchase a suitable one and this was seconded by Councillor Mr. David Murfitt. The Council unanimously agreed.

ACTION : Clerk to look at the prices and suitability and get one purchased at reasonable cost.

Councillors' Declaration of Interest in tonight's Agenda Items (as per Standing orders):-

None.

Police reports :-

Council received the monthly Newsletter for this area.

Minutes of the last Meeting (2nd December 2017) :-

These having been circulated before the meeting were accepted - on a proposal by Councillor Mrs T. Rust and seconded by Councillor Mrs J. Gooch.

Matters Arising :

None other than is on the agenda.

Correspondance :-

- a). Email received from Upwell and Outwell Age concern- requesting a Councillor representative attend their AGM on 6th March- 1pm at Upwell Methodist Church- **Councillor Mr. Alan Mould agreed to attend.**
- b). An email received from Stuart- 64 Isle Bridge Road- requesting more dog waste bins, notices to prevent and Council patrols to catch the culprits whom leave dog mess on the footways.
Clerk to respond explain the situation with Cost and the fact there are four bins located in the village at various locations.
- c). An email received from Sarah Arden- requesting a footway light outside Wellhirne area on the A1101. This was discussed this is to be looked at the necessity of a light here before actioning it.
- d). Various other documents are on the 'information table' for Councillors attention.

Neighbourhood Plan:-

Councillor Mr Fred Keer had produced a report on the pilot questionnaire returns. Some interesting details had emerged. The biggest issue in the village is the Traffic- amount and speeding. A copy of the results and his report are attached to the Minutes. He is to look into the costing and applications for funding.

Working Party Reports

Beaupre School- Council Representative

Councillor Mrs Tara Rust reported was quiet at the moment and she has informed the school that the use of cones would be a good idea when the bus returns from swimming in order that the children can safely get off the bus.

Cemetery

Councillor Mr. Fred Keer reported his findings after attending the Cemetery Dissenters AGM. They have £6,000.00 in the pot. They have 4 unreserved plots available for burials the rest are already reserved. The only income they receive is from the reservation or payment of plots. There are no records that either Mr. Keer or Mr. Russell (Chairman of the Cemetery Dissenters) can find about who is responsible for the maintenance of the Cemetery and why the Parish Council have been doing it for so many years. The Council would like some financial help from the Cemetery Dissenters to help with the costs of maintaining. This looks unlikely. It is proposed that the Dissenters and The Parish Council contact the Borough Council as to the way forward. Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts said that he would contact Cathy from the Cemetery department to guide the Council on this matter. It had been suggested that an email would be sent to the dissenters requesting a few answers to their outlay. This was to be sent to all the Councillors for approval before being sent to the Cemetery Committee.

Playingfield/Recreation Ground :-

Councillor Mrs. Tara Rust informed the Council that there had been no meetings since the AGM. Councillor Mr. Dale Boyce had a copy of the accounts. The NYE family night was a great success.

Allotments:-

Nothing reported.

Planning:-

Report is attached :-

Finance:-

1. December and January accounts were formerly approved.
2. BulleyDavy- are acting on behalf of Parish Council to sort out the Clerk's PAYE- no contributions to be paid this month.
3. Councillor Mr. Fred Keer reported on the Budget. There is need to juggle the Budget. He suggested that the Allotment committee got together to see if Rents could go up in 2019. There will possibly be no contingency. Councillor Mr Fred Keer and the Clerk to meet up before the next meeting to finalise the budget for next accounting year.
- 4). Income – VAT -£1466.41.
- 5). NCC have been invoiced for £1,000.00 to help towards the cost of maintaining the infilled canal.
- 6). Outwell Village Hall and Playingfield committee invoiced for £453.14- for the difference of interest and repayment of the loan.

<u>Payments for January 2018 Authorisation.</u>					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	Total	Ref	Supplier/ Service
Debbie Newton*	506.00	0.00	506.00	DD	Clerk Wages
Mr Ellington	157.50	0.00	157.50	102313	Village cleaner -October
K & M Lighting	137.08	34.28	171.36	102314	light maintenance 1/12/17-31/1/18
BT	46.49	0.00	46.49	102315	Clerk's expenses 21/12/17-20/1/18
Norton security	29.99	0.00	29.99	102316	annual subscription for pc security
Debbie Newton*	70.29	0.00	70.29	102317	Clerk's expenses postage for 2017
Debbie Newton*	8.99	1.80	10.79	102318	Web Site monthly subscription
Bloom & Wake	7.78	1.55	9.33	102319	Petrol for cemetery maintained
BulleyDavey	54.00	10.80	64.80	102320	PAYE
SLCC	115.00	0.00	115.00	Bank trans	Annual subscription for Clerks
Eon Energy	217.62	43.52	261.16	DD	Energy Charges
PWLB	732.01	0.00	732.01	DD	Loan for Village Hall
Wave Water	11.97	0.00	11.97	DD	Water Bill for Cemetery
	<u>2094.72</u>	<u>91.95</u>	<u>2186.69</u>		

<u>Payments for February 2018 Authorisation</u>					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	Total	Ref	Supplier/ Service
Debbie Newton*	506.00	0.00	506.00	DD	Clerk Wages
Mr Ellington	202.50	0.00	202.50	102321	Village cleaner -January
K & M Lighting	85.68	17.14	102.82	102322	light maintenance 1/2/18-28/2/18
BT	50.11	0.00	50.11	102323	Clerk's expenses 21/1/18-20/2/18
Office 365 Sub	59.99	0.00	59.99	102323	annual subscription for pc workings
Debbie Newton*	25.00	0.00	25.00	102324	Cleaner's coat- paid cash
Debbie Newton*	8.99	1.80	10.79	102325	Web Site monthly subscription
David Rayner	93.75	0.00	93.75	102326	Cemetery maintenance oct/Nov
Eon Energy	217.62	43.52	261.16	DD	Energy Charges
PWLB	55.48	0.00	55.48	DD	Allotment land loan
	<u>1305.12</u>	<u>62.46</u>	<u>1367.60</u>		

Village Committee and Highway matters including Streetlights :-

Clerk is to write to Middle level regarding the rubbish on the riverbanks near Isle Bridge. Email NCC highways to ask the Rangers to paint the railings white near Whelhirne, Clear Rubbish off the Canal and clear the footway in front of the Vineries on Wsibech Road. Write to NCC regarding an unstable tree and also get the branches moved off the infilled canal where people had cut up the fallen trees in the last gales but had left the unwanted rubbish. Get in touch with environmental department and report rats in the village centre on the riverbanks and also near the sluice. Re contact enforcement officer about the railings in front of number 7/9 leading down to moorings. JAKS UK ltd contacted the council regarding village gateways to help with speeding issues. The Council discussed this and felt prices would be the first point to discuss. **Clerk to write and request these.**

County and Borough Councillor Reports:-

Borough Councillor Mr Chris Crofts- informed the Council that the Caravans have gone off the site in the Cottons. He also informed the Council that the Parsih Council Planning committee must ensure that reasons of objection have to be of sound reason. The planning consultations are constantly changing but advises that if the Council do object to applications that they attend the DCB meetings to put their points across. Future planning- many people put in sites in this parish but they are to be whittled down. There are 5 sites at this time that are under consideration.

Rural Exception Site for Affordable Housing-

The residents are requesting that a meeting is held with Oceanview, Hastoe Housing, NCC and BC along with Parish Council to discuss who is responsible for the road to become adoptable. The clerk also informed the Council that a three bedroom house has become available. This was put onto the Outwell Page on social media.

Public Rights of Way:-

Nothing reported.

Back Lane/The Tramway:-

Nothing reported.

Outwell Parish Council Website-

To be updated.

Council Procedures :-

None

Other urgent matters :-

Chairman Councillor Mr. John Wake at this time announced that at the next AGM he is retiring as Chariman. He very much feels this is the time to retire. He's been doing this for several years. So he has asked the Council to consider nominating another Councillor as Chairman for 2018/19. It was also at this time that the Clerk informed the Council that Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley is returnng as Councillor after his sabbatical.

Date of next meeting :-

Tuesday 6th March 2018 after the Parish Assembly at 7.00p.m. at **St. Andrew's Church**.

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was declared closed at 8.45pm

Signed as true record of the meeting :-

..... **Chairman**