

BAUMBER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Baumber.

Those Present: Messrs. R Espley (Chairman), M Jones (Vice-Chairman), Mrs S Willerton, Mrs J Fable, Mrs F Espley (Clerk), and Mrs S Elton.

Apologies: Mr S Scholey

Co-option of new Member

Mrs Fable proposed Mrs Elton be co-opted onto BPC in place of Mr Portas, and Mrs Willerton seconded. Mrs Elton accepted the position.

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2016 were read out by the Chairman, agreed and signed as a true copy.

Matters Arising

Re: Road Traffic Signs to Village Hall and to Church. BPC has paid £200 to have fresh signs made as we were told the original ones did not conform to EU regulations. These have now been erected.

Re: Precept. Mr Jones noticed that, on receipt of his council tax bill, BPC had a decrease of 16.3% on last year, which hopefully leaves the way open to request an increase next year.

Correspondence

The correspondence was circulated, though not everyone had a chance to view it.

Re: Street Lighting. The County Council is starting to transform the way it provides street lighting in order to save over 1.7m per year, so we wait to see how that will affect the A158: everyone agreed that switching off every other lamp would be a start.

Re: Wheelie Bin Stickers. A4-sized stickers are available with the same design layout as the larger Passive Notices showing the 30mph limit. It was agreed to purchase the minimum order of 40 stickers for £20 from Lincs Road Safety Partnership to give to those who live on the A158.

Finance Several bills need paying and the grass cutting contract requires completion. It was agreed to keep to 6 village cuts and 2 church yard cuts as per year. After receiving the grass cutting allowance there was a shortfall of £49.56. This coming year Glendale have increased their prices by about £4/cut.

Planning

Mr Harris of 2 Stockborough Farm received full planning permission for a new roof.

Mrs Elton, who put in an application for extensions and alterations to Watermill Farm received full planning permission (confirmation received by post the day after this meeting).

Mr Peall has had his Outlying Planning Application for the Red Lion refused, the reason being ELDC were not happy that Mr Peall had adequately demonstrated that the business was not viable, and also that the Local Plan encourages retention of local amenities.

Any Other Business The Clerk was asked to contact our local County Councillor for him/her to try to ascertain what is happening with the School which has now been closed for over a month.

The Date of the next Meeting, which will be the AGM, was set at Wednesday 18th May 2016 at 7.30pm followed by an Ordinary Meeting.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.30pm.