

# BAUMBER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.55pm in the Village Hall, Baumber.

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

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 were read out by the Chairman, agreed and duly signed as a true copy.

## Matters Arising

Re: The Old School. Mr Jones told us that the Headmaster, Mr Parkes, had promised to contact him to discuss the future of the School as it had been closed for some months, even though heating oil had been delivered, the security lights were still working, but all the furniture had been removed. At this point in time Mr Jones had still not heard anything. The Clerk was asked to email Mr Parkes' office to remind him.

Re: Wheelie Bin Stickers. These were in use and all agreed a good idea.

## Correspondence

Other parish councils have been in touch objecting to having to carry the cost of reduced lighting as being untenable, and have wanted our support. We agreed to wait and see how it would affect Baumber before we aligned ourselves, though we agreed in principle with them.

It was disappointing to receive a letter from the County Council announcing the end of the grass cutting allowance we had enjoyed over many years and it was agreed to have an open meeting in October to discuss the consequences of this for the appearance of the village, with notice of this to appear in the next edition of the Parish Magazine so that everyone could be made aware. Plans might then be made to share the cutting amongst us and/or pay someone. Mrs Willerton agreed to help with the notices which the Clerk would draft and email to Mr Scholey for his mother's attention.

Finance There are cheques to be signed. The bank balance stands at £1515.20.

Planning We supported an application from Mr & Mrs Grysa from Hungram House who wish to build an extension for a bedroom and bathroom downstairs. (Mr Harrison pointed out that Hungram House is actually in Minting parish).

Any Other Business Mrs Elton announced Cream Teas at Baumber House on 30<sup>th</sup> July when the Church would be open, and a Ceilidh on 3<sup>rd</sup> September in the Village Hall 7 – 11.30pm.

Mr Scholey pointed out a low-hanging BT cable on Silver Street which Mrs Willerton said had been like that for ages.

There is a bad pothole at the end of Hunter's Lane which needs addressing.

The Date of the Next Meeting was set at Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed by the Chairman as a true copy.....Date.....

