

MINUTES OF DOCKING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on the 16th July 2015 in the Ripper Hall

1. The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Present:-Mr Able, Mr Todd, Mr Cooke, Mr Gillett, Mrs Playford, Mr Playford, Mrs Hack and Mr Crompton

Apologies: - J Wroth Mrs Edge and Mr Meek

3 members of the public was present for the allotment discussion.

The council had carried out an allotment inspection prior to the meeting. Most allotments are in good order. The clerk had spoken to one holder who had done very little this year but they wish to continue in the future. One is in a poor state and the clerk will monitor. It was agreed the clerk will write to Mr Webb and take him up on his kind offer of getting the hedge laid in the autumn. The council will need to cut the sides and the clerk will speak to Mr Wroth about this. There is a problem with pigeons on the site and the clerk will see if John Hare has somebody who can deal with this. Residents are walking their dogs around the allotments but not clearing up after themselves. The clerk will do a poster asking them to pick up the dog mess and place in appropriate bins.

The public left the meeting.

3. The June minutes.

The minutes of the June meeting were proposed for adoption by Mr Playford, seconded Mr Todd and carried.

4. Matters arising for information only.

Defibrillator. The clerk emailed the area manager for Spar and he has agreed to have the unit in the shop. The clerk has informed Mr Fletcher. Pot Holes Bircham Road. The clerk contacted highways and they have informed him the pothole has now been filled. They will monitor the edge of the road in the area.

Trees 5 Harewood. Freebridge housing have inspected the trees and do not consider them a health and safety issue so will not do any work on them. The clerk will report back to Mr May with the outcome.

CITB Path. The path has not been attended to.

Speeding traffic Bradmere Lane. The clerk wrote to Highways but they are not able to move any of the signage as it is not a priority area.

Man hole Fakenham Road. This has been reported and Mrs Playford said the work had been done.

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5. Declaration of interests on agenda items. None

6. Correspondence.

Parish Partnership scheme with NCC, Wyke House development does not require planning, Barclays confirmed the new signatures for the account, Village link action group re the buses report progress is being made, NCC Rangers visit W/B 3rd August and an appeal from Docking community bus for drivers. Clerk will put piece in newsletter and a poster on the board.

7. Agenda Items for Council decision.

Land for Children's Charity. The clerk has sent emails to the solicitors but as yet has had no indication of progress in this matter.

Sale of land at old Recreation Ground. After a short discussion it was proposed by Mr Todd and seconded by Mrs Hack that the recreation land could not be sold but must be retained by the parish. This was carried. Clerk will inform Mr and Mrs Edge.

Street Lighting Contract. The new three year contract is now in place reflecting the correct number of lights owned and maintained by the Parish Council.

Charity Donations. The council considered the requests they had received and decided to give £50 the EACH, Tapping House and Norfolk Rescue and £400 to the Massingham Care Scheme. These were proposed by Mrs Hack seconded by Mr Gillett and carried.

8. Financial Matters. Accounts approved for this month.

Name	Business	net	VAT	Gross	Non Reclaimable VAT
K and M	Street lights	£16.65	£3.33	£19.98	None
EACH	Donation	£50.00	-	£50.00	None
Tapping House	Donation	£50.00	-	£50.00	None
Norfolk Rescue	Donation	£50.00	-	£50.00	None
Massingham car scheme		£400.00	-	£400.00	None

Proposed Mr Todd and seconded by Playford and carried.

The clerk reported that Eon had recalculated electricity costs and the council are due a rebate of £751.98. This is calculated back to last July when the new lights were installed. The clerk will ask for the money to be paid back into the account.

Financial Statement the clerk issued the statement at the meeting. There were no questions.

9. Planning Matters

Approved Courtyard Barns Station Road and Crossways Ringstead Road.

Dreamy Hollow have added a notice for 12 pitches for camping to the Borough website, as yet no plans have been seen.

10. Any other business (for information only) and to consider any item for next month's meeting.

Concern was raised about the ponds in the village some being overgrown and others smelling. The clerk will contact highways to see if they have any responsibility for keeping them tidy or if they know who does.

The council have received a complaint about the land at the Bircham CITB crossroads. The council is not able to do anything at this time as it is outside its remit.

Concern has been expressed about the speed of cars on the Fakenham Road, the clerk will contact the police and see if they can monitor.

Close 8.17pm

Date of next meeting Thursday 17th September