

WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING OF HELD ON MONDAY 16 JULY 2007 AT 7.30 pm IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

Present: Cllr Fred Aspin
Cllr Richard Clarke
Cllr David Johnson
Cllr Tim Pearson *Chairman*
Cllr David Stuart-Mogg
Cllr Graham Ward

026 Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Cllr Paul Rudd.

Action

027 Declaration of Interest

Cllr R Clarke declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Agenda item number 028.

028 Planning

Cllr R Clarke left the room for this item.

The following planning application was considered and was approved:

First floor rear extension 33 Old North Road Wansford [07/00935/FUL].

Cllr Clarke agreed to draft a standard format and wording for Parish Council submissions concerning planning applications.

Cllr Clarke

The Clerk was requested to arrange a meeting between the Tree Preservation Officer and Parish Councillors to visit the Village in daylight for a review of Tree Preservation Orders in the Village and to provide an explanation on the current policy of Peterborough City Council.

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029 Minutes of Meeting 25 June 2007

Present ~ delete 'Cllr R Clark' and insert 'Cllr R Clarke'.

021 Meetings Calendar ~ add '6 August 2007'.

The Minutes were agreed and signed with these amendments.

030 Matters Arising [for information]

020 Planning Applications

2 Yarwell Road [07/00743/FUL]

The Parish Council's request to refer the application to Committee for a decision has been noted by Peterborough City Council.

The Clerk said that he has received a telephone call today from the Planning Department who have said that they are refusing the application.

On account of the Parish Council's request to refer the matter to Committee it was going to stop the sending out today of the notice of their refusal. The Parish Council are objecting to the application and based upon the Planning Officer's comment the Clerk, after consultation with the Chairman, agreed to withdraw the request to enable the Officer to meet the deadline for issuing a decision.

The Clerk has sent an email to Paul Rossington on account of being unable to speak with him on the telephone.

021 Meetings Calendar

The Community Hall has been booked for the dates agreed and the details have also been published on the website.

022 Bank Mandate

The new mandate has been delivered to the Bank.

024 Village Matters

024.02 The Chairman said he has been promised details of lighting in the Village and will meet with the Officer.

Cllr
Pearson

024.03 The Chairman has visited the Open Day at Wittering and learnt various things in connection with the Harrier aeroplanes.

024.04 Discussions have been held with Mr Jones and he has agreed to continue to maintain the website. The Clerk will provide him with the necessary paperwork for viewing on the site.

031 Minutes of Annual General Meeting 29 May 2007

002 Committee and Representatives ~ delete 'Peterborough Liaison Committee' and insert 'Parish Liaison Committee'.

The Minutes were agreed and signed with this amendment.

032 Finance

Payments to Mrs Stuart-Mogg [ex-clerk salary and expenses (paid nett of tax)] £280.86 and Mr Tindall [internal audit] £84.80 were approved for payment.

There were no receipts recorded.

033 Clerk

The Chairman said that in the Clerk's contract there is an item for the provision of computer facilities.

Cllr
Pearson

He proposed that this is shared pro rata with Northborough Parish Council [based upon hours worked for each Parish Council] at a rate £11.00 a calendar month.

It was agreed to investigate the purchase of the current version of Microsoft Office if, in agreement with Northborough Parish Council, it was deemed that this was necessary for the Clerk to fulfil his duties as required by the Parish Council..

034 Code of Conduct

It was agreed to accept the proposals recommended by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CPALC) in their letter of the 8 June 2007.

Arrangements will be made to amend The Standing Orders in respect of the open forum at meetings.

Clerk

It was also agreed to use CPALC to advertise and liaise with the Standards Board of England and the Monitoring Officer at Peterborough City Council at a cost of £24.00.

Clerk

The Chairman said that he will include an announcement in his piece on the Parish Council for the next edition of Living Villages.

Cllr
Pearson

035 Minutes of Parish Meeting 29 May 2007

The Minutes of the meeting were noted.

036 Agendas

It was agreed that the agendas for each meeting will have the following sequence of items:

Clerk

An introduction with the words 'Public participation will take place before each item'.

(i) Apologies (ii) Declaration of Interest (iii) Planning (iv) Minutes of Meeting (v) Matters Arising (vi) Finance (vii) Correspondence (viii) Matters for Consideration (AOB) and (ix) Date of Next Meeting.

Presentations will be made after item (ii) and all items will be preceded by an Open Forum for a maximum of five minutes.

Additional items will be included on the Agenda after item (vi).

037 Matters for Information

037.01 Correspondence

Receipt of the following correspondence was noted:

- Rural Vision – Peterborough's Rural Working Group is holding a series of workshops on "Delivering the rural vision" Cllr Pearson volunteered to attend the meeting

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on 17 July. (No-one was free to attend the meeting on 25 July)

- Peterborough City Council's Forward Plan
- Peterborough City Council's Cabinet members request to "hear from us" with a request submission form

- Notification of website <http://www.peterborough.gov.uk/page-11709#1549> outlining the key responsibilities of each department and contact details

Peterborough City Council 4 and 5 September 2007 ~ setting a date for a meeting in respect of Thornhaugh 1 Quarry.

Cllrs
Clarke
Pearson

037.02 General

The Chairman has written to the Highways Department to say that he wishes to meet to discuss the value of the access and signage of the exit from the A1 into Peterborough Road.

It was agreed that people walking their dog in the Village need to clear up any mess caused whilst walking.

038 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 6 August 2007 at 7.30 pm.

Signed..... Date.....