

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF EMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL
Monday 27th October 2014 in the Meeting Room at Creighton Hall, Embleton

PRESENT: Terry Howells, Gordon Coxon, Raymond Carss, David Morgan, Raymond Imeson, Georgina Armstrong and Neville Fawcett

IN ATTENDANCE: John Young, Andy Davis, Cllr Kate Cairns and Jan Applegarth

1. **APOLOGIES:-** George Skipper, Adam Moody and Richard Manners

Cllr Howells welcomed everyone and explained that he was in the Chair tonight in the absence of Cllr Skipper.

2. **Minutes of Last Meeting held 22nd September 2014** were agreed and signed as a true record.

3. **Matters Arising**

(a) **Planning Application by Mark Bridgeman -**

(b) **Footpath – Blue Bell to Sunnybrae** – half of the footpath has been tarmacked but work has stopped. The tarmac is rough and the footpath no better than before work commenced.

ACTION: Clerk to contact NCC and ask that when the work on the footpath recommences the tarmac should be levelled as it is unusable in its current condition.

(c) **Painted Yellow Line** – NCC are to take action regarding this matter. They are to visit the resident concerned.

(d) **Broken kerbstones in Christon Bank** – Andy has changed his e-mail address. He will inform the Clerk of the location of the broken kerbstones and Clerk will pass information to NCC.

8(a) Identification of Sites for Potential Housing Development – Clerk to put on Agenda for next meeting.

4. **Joint Burial Committee**

Cllr Fawcett told the PC that the Land Registry documents have been found and the land is registered to the three PCs. At the meeting on 6th Oct the JBC said that the project should be self supporting; the house was to be refurbished and not sold. A survey is to be carried out and tenders were expected by Friday of this week. It was hoped to appoint by next week.

Precept for 1914 / 15 – Craster PC have paid but not Embleton and Newton by the Sea. However, Embleton's cheque was to be authorised at this meeting tonight. It had been decided by the JBC that a new lawnmower would not now be purchased but would like to use the funds to further the building programme. It was also proposed by the JBC that they would like to submit precept for next year. JBC account would be ringfenced.

5. **Finance**

Clerk's salary – October

PAYE – October

Memorial Wreath - £19

EPPA Annual Insurance Premium

Second half of precept for JBC

Re Delegated Powers – it was reported that as the memorial wreath was an annual occurrence the Royal British Legion had delivered the wreath before its purchase had been authorised by the PC. It is in instances such as this that matter of delegated powers should be looked at again. Clerk to put on the next agenda.

6. **Correspondence**

- (a) BT re removal of village phone box – 14/0342/BT – BT are proposing to remove several phone boxes in villages and invite PC to make comment before 11th November. The PC feel the phone box on the village green should not be removed, it is the only phone box in the village. There is not a good mobile signal in the village and not everyone carries a mobile phone.
- (b) NCC – Council Tax Support Scheme – Cllr Cairns to clarify the contents of this letter.
- (c) NCC – Local Hero - ? PC would like to nominate Georgina Armstrong for her work re Playpark.

7. PLANNING

8. E-Mails Received – list circulated at meeting.

- (a) NCC – moving part of the public path on Mr Little’s planning application. Mr Young told the PC that his father and Mark Bridgeman had not been consulted re this matter. PC were concerned that the procedure seems to be flawed in that the landowner had not been consulted and asked if the plans had actually been passed. PC to trawl NCC site to see if application has been passed.
- (b) **Minutes of meeting at Rennington attended by Cllr Morgan** – handed to Cllr Morgan.
- (c) **Proposed Ditchburn Windfarm** – Cllr Howells read out the e-mail asking for support in rejecting this proposal. PC agreed to support the proposal to reject the windfarm.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. **Parish Rooms** - Jan Applegarth presented an invoice to the PC for the use of toilet facilities at the PCC rooms during the summer. She asked if PC wished to continue with this facility over the winter. This was agreed by the PC but matter is to be put on the PC agenda for next meeting. **Signs at top of Sea Lane indicating toilets are at Parish Church Rooms and Golf Club** needs refreshing. *(Cllr Immeson has dealt with this matter)*
- b. **Christon Bank Issues** – Andy to e-mail location of broken kerbstones in Christon Bank.
Dog bin at Christon Bank – not being emptied by NCC. It also seems that the new bin at Woodstead is not being emptied either. PC felt they had fought for years for people to clear up after their dogs and if we can’t provide the proper facilities people will fall back into their bad habit of not clearing the dirt. Clerk to write to NCC and ask what alternative they can offer as there is a need for these two bins. Tourism is big in Embleton and people bring their dogs.
- (c) **Houses in the Quarry** - Cllr Morgan mentioned the Allocation Policy and said it is incumbent on each one of the PC that it is vital they follow what is going on with this project.
- (d) **AONB** – Cllr Morgan has read the papers from the AONB and found the minutes very instructive. He felt the PC should invite a representative from AONB once a year to update PC on AONB.
- (e) **750th Anniversary for Merton College Oxford.** – Cllr Morgan brought this to the attention of the PC. Cllr Howells to put a piece in the Whinstone Times.
- (f) **No Parking on Grass** signs required for area opp Grey’s Inn. Cllr Skipper to arrange.
- (g) **Donation towards Fireworks Display** – on behalf of PC, Cllr Howells to give £100 from sale of books.
- (h) **Christmas Tree** – PC agreed to have Christmas tree this year. Should be in place by 6th December.
- (i) **Parking at Sunny Brae** – this is becoming a problem. PC asked Clerk to write to residents to ask if they could help alleviate this problem by parking elsewhere. Concern was expressed that there may be a serious accident if nothing is done.
- (j) **Notice re Odd Jobs for Elderly** – the owner of the village shop has refused to display this poster. Cllr Howells to have a word to see if they will reconsider. Jan Applegarth offered to display the notice on PCC noticeboard.

(k) **Christon Bank Litterpick** – Jan Applegarth said that this would be done on Saturday and asked if anyone would like some black bags. Cllr Armstrong agreed to take her children down to beach and asked for some bags.

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting

7.30 p.m. Monday 24th November 2014 at the Meeting Room in Christon Bank Church Hall.