

OAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Oake Parish Council held on Thursday 14th June 2018, commencing at 7.00 pm in the Oake Hall.

Present: Cllrs S.Davies; F.Dunn; I. Ramus; F.Gully; A.Dyke; R.Habgood (TDBC) Mr. D.Gliddon (Clerk); 3 members of the public.

1. Public Speaking Time

None

2. Apologies: Cllr C.Hillier

3. Declarations/Interests: None

4. Minutes: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th May 2018 were duly approved and signed.

5. Planning: a) The letter of objection regarding the proposed new Housing Development in Oake was discussed and agreed with a minor amendment. The clerk would send this to the Planning Officer at TDBC.

6. Sunshine Fund Applications

Insufficient information had been provided by Renaissance Learning for the Council to feel confident in approving funding for the course. This was also hampered by the fact a new Headteacher may be in post at Oake School and he/she may not wish to implement such a project. The decision was deferred until July when it was hoped more information would be available from SCF. The Clerk would also write to SCF requesting updates on previous grants awarded.

7. Village Shop

Alex Antill updated the Council on the latest plans, which were progressing well, and he presented a set of draft plans for converting the Village Hall for use as a Shop/Post Office. He also indicated that Mr Rob Gully would be drawing up a Heads of Terms Letter for the Parish Council to review and approve. Many funding streams were being investigated, including a bid to the National Lottery. Mr Antill was thanked for his excellent contribution.

8. Report SCC: None

9. Report TDBC: Cllr Habgood

10. Training: Cllr Davies will attend Planning training on 27/6/18; Cllr Gully will attend Code of Conduct on 18/7/18 and Planning for the Future of the Community on 1/11/18. The Clerk offered to attend updates on new ward arrangements at Williton on 25/6/18.

11. Reports:

a) Police Report for May: This was received and noted. New laminated posters giving contact details would be available from the shop.

b) Parish Plan: Cllr Gully reported on a very good response rate to the Neighbourhood Plan survey and on the Housing Needs Survey. It was hoped the analysis of the HNS would be available by 20/7/18 so that it could be used as evidence in the Planning Application for new housing in Oake. Cllr Gully also reported that she favoured appointing Stuart Todd as a Planning Consultant to write the Neighbourhood Plan. This was approved. Next meeting is Tuesday June 19th.

c) Traffic Calming update: An email had been received from Martyn Evans saying that no drawings were yet available, but the Council could assume that the previous amendments would be carried out.

d) Village Hall: The VH fete would be held on July 14th & the Neighbourhood Plan group would like a display table.

12. Finance - The following payments were approved:

- a) Clerks Salary & expenses for April £207.31; HMRC £43.60; Came & Co (annual insurance) £341.20; Hillfarrance PCC (new gate as agreed) £473.00
- b) Finance update: £24,731.64 in the funds including £7,598.50 for Neighbourhood Plan costs.

13. Matters of Report.

Chairman:

a) The School would be re-advertising the position of Headteacher

b) Overgrown hedges would be highlighted in both Hall News & on our Facebook Page

c) The Clerk was requested to investigate the following items:

- Overgrown Footpath Whitemoss to Blagroves Lane
- Additional weed spraying and grass cutting in Oake and by the bus stop on the main road.

- Obtain quotes for a new sign saying WELCOME TO OAKE and repairs to the existing Road Sign.

Members of Council

- Cllr Dyke reported on a very successful Church Fete in Hillfarrance which raised approximately £1,300
- Cllr Dyke raised the matter of excessive mud on the road in Hillfarrance caused by farm traffic. The Clerk was requested to investigate what solutions might be available and whether any offences had been committed.

14. Correspondence: None

The meeting Closed at 8.15 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 12th July 2018 at 7 p.m.