PARTNEY AND DALBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held on the 6th January 2020

Present: Mr. J Boulton (Chairman), Mrs. B Dawson, Mrs. J Oliver, Mr. N Blanchard, Mr. D Morris, Mr. L. Sharp, Cllr. W. Grover 2 residents of Partney

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs. E. Middleton

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.

There was no declarations of interest declared.

3. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON THE 18th November 2019

The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman (pages 223 - 224).

4. TO ADDRESS ANY ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

<u>Gates at Dalby to Church.</u> The Parish Clerk is going to phone the Lincoln Diocese about the situation.

<u>Dog Waste Bins.</u> The Parish Clerk needs to chase this up.

<u>Village Signs.</u> The Council Grant form has been completed for money towards this project. The cost of scaffold pole will be £8.00 per metre for 3mm thickness. This isn't galvanised. The Council decided it needs to be galvanised to stop it rotting. We will require 12 metres.

<u>Mobile Signal.</u> Cllr. W. Grover is looking into this situation for us. Masts are connected by networks. The Government is bringing it in that they have to be shared.

<u>Cemetery Valuation.</u> J. Oliver and E. Middleton are going through the paperwork on 16th January 2020.

<u>Tidy up day.</u> The Parish Clerk will contact East Lindsey District Council about the grabbers and rubbish bags.

5. Planning Matters:

<u>Fairfield</u> – J. Boulton has spoken to Mr. G. Avison regarding the village hall car park and piece of land that is meant to be handed to the Parish Council. It was suggested that he goes meet with him and he is to take J. Oliver with him as she is on the Village Hall Committee. Section 106 explains the title of village car park and community field title and money to be offered to Council when building work commences. Developers should have been in touch by now. A copy of the Village Hall Car Park letter is to be passed on to J. Boulton by Mr. M. Lovelock.

<u>6. Financial Matters:</u> The accounts were circulated. Savings accounts £1, 957.26 and current account £2,895.11.

Payments approved to ELDC for £97.00

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In the accounts we currently have around £4,800.00. If we had to pay for a general election this would cost us around £2,000.00 so we need these funds to be there. Our cemetery maintenance costs could go up substantially. A deficit of £802.00 is estimated. Last year Band D property was £23.03 and we have the equivalent of 96 Band D Properties in Partney & Dalby Parish.

We need to be able to explain why the increases are happening every year.

If we get the Fairfield land it can be set as a seperate entity.

A 4.9% increase was proposed by Mrs. B. Dawson and seconded by Mr. N. Blanchard. A vote was done and this was unanimous.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter has been received from Mr. Squires regarding the poultry shed at Dalby. J. Boulton has been to see him and took some pictures. It would appear that the building erected by Andrew Middleton, the applicant has not yet been landscaped. The decision was made that J. Boulton will contact Mr. Middleton and ask him for a timescale. Mr. Squires will then be informed of the outcome.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

The Parish Clerk has been in touch with LALC and East Lindsey District Council regarding the matter. A notice has to be placed in the Village Hall notice board informing residents that there are vacancies on the Council. If more than 10 residents contact the Council and ask for this to be filled by election then we have to if not we can co-opt people into the vacancies. Residents have until 30 January 2020 to ask for an election.

If an election doesn't have to take place then a further notice is put up with the dates when applications to fill the positions have to be put in writing to the Parish Clerk.

The positions will then be co-opted at the next meeting on 9 March 2020.

COUNCILLOR VACANCY POLICY

J. Boulton has been sent a copy of a Councillor Vacancy policy that he feels we should adopt so we have things in writing for future. This was proposed by Mrs. B. Dawson and seconded by Mrs. J. Oliver. A vote took place and the decision was unanimous.

DBS CHECKS

It has been brought to the Chairman's attention that Councillors may have to have DBS checks done. Cllr. W. Grover doesn't believe this to be true but the Parish Clerk is to check with the monitoring officer, Jon Armstrong.

WASTE BIN

It has been asked by a resident if we can apply for a bin near Hardings Lane as there is a lot of litter. The Parish Clerk is to apply to the County Council for this and check it would actually get emptied.

GREEN WASTE BINS

The Council have informed us it is time to apply for green bins and anyone who does so before 21st February 2020 will automatically be entered into a draw and 12 people will receive a free subscription.

DEFIBRILATOR

It was brought to our attention that this is 2 ½ years old and will need a service at 3 years.

PARTNEY FAIR

A sub-committee is to be formed for this and put on the agenda for the next meeting...

BROADBAND

Apparently there is a grant available every year towards the cost of broadband. The Parish Clerk is to contact LALC regarding this. If no grant is available it needs to be revisited in October 2020 about the Village Hall contributing towards this.

Public Comments

Residents are concerned they are missing meetings due to these not being advertised. A poster will be put in the notice board of meeting dates and the Parish Clerk will try to get them on the website as well.

An article needs writing for the Village Magazine by 22 February 2020.

The Meeting Closed at 8.52pm

Date of Next Meeting 9th March 2020 at 7.30pm.