

MINUTES OF THE MEETING held in SHEARSBY VILLAGE HALL

7.30pm THURSDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2013

1. PRESENT, Cllrs Mrs J Vann (chair) Mr R Dahm Mr D Durran Mr A Timms
Mr N Hall (District Cllr) Residents-three then six. Mr P Baildon (Clerk)

2. APOLOGIES for absence Mr M Speight (V/C)

3. DECLARATIONS of Interest. Nil.

4. MINUTES of previous meeting 5th June,

Correction 5c INSURANCE, £515.87 has been paid for the Village Green and £395.68 for the Village Hall for the current year, total = £911.55.

To be initialled and dated at the next meeting. Copy signed by Chair.

5. DISTRICT Councillors report. 5.1 SYMINGTON HQ Cllr Hall reported that HDC hopes to progressively re-occupy from January until Easter 2014.

5.2 MARKET HALL will be closed during the above period for its changes then plans to be a 5-day general market and Sunday antiques leaving Monday for re-stocking etc.

5.3 BROADBAND 2-3 year programme is due to be in this locality.

5.4 HOUSING next District needs are being planned to 2032.

5.5 TRAFFIC, Bruntingthorpe-Saddington x-roads had THREE crashes in THREE days 2 months ago (Debris still there). Visibility is worst to Leicester exiting Saddington Rd until **verges cut** and **signage** may obstruct some cab/car driver heights. There is sufficient highway verge to add slip connections but funding cuts are likely to delay alterations.

5.6 CATCHMENT for schools, Cllr Hall was asked to find out if Shearsby children could be allocated for KIBWORTH, being **nearer** than COUNTESTHORPE. **Action: Cllr N Hall**

6. FINANCE 6.1 SANTANDER accounts to be amended by visit from Chair and Clerk visiting Oadby/Wigston Friday 13th.

6.2 AUDIT Grant Thornton (Ext audit) have raised queries on 3 single column entries which should have been two column. To be confirmed by internal audit and replied.

6.3 EON invoice for 12 months street light maintenance cheque issued £169.27.

6.4 MOW-HOW invoice expected soon for £100 for 2 green cuts.

6.5 PARISH PRECEPT Chair and Clerk to attend at Lutterworth on Tue 10th in company with other parishes and HDC for guidance. **Action: Cllrs Dahm & Speight.**

7. HIGHWAYS. 7.1 FENNY LANE corner surface was scuffed during hot weather by the bin lorry turning. This was reported to Mr J Whitup of FOCSA who would ask a highways officer to report back.

7.2. MILL LANE potholes reported by Cllr Timms 17.7.13 ref 7011858.

7.3. BACK LANE weight signpost hit by vehicle needs re-setting ref 6987242.

8. PLANNING. 8.1 FENNY LANE metal gate has been placed to field instead of the required wooden gate. Public footpath Y70 affected.

8.2 LAKE VIEW, CHURCH LANE on Wed 7th August Mr Done of HDC visited the site of an Enforcement Complaint by a private resident about applications 12/00310 and 809/FUL. Further developments awaited.

8.4 KIBWORTH to be venue for an HDC Planning briefing between HDC and the parishes. Three items are to be forwarded for agenda,

- 1) No Tree Protection orders exist within the parish only the general protection within a Conservation boundary.
- 2) Query the minimum number/criteria/radius of addressees for consultation.
- 3) Query the degree of amendments and re-consultations that planning officers consider before issueing decisions or requiring new applications.

9. TREES & MOWING. 9.1 A SUMAC tree requires attention, requested by a parishioner.

The Clerk commented that he had dealt with two of these in Market Harborough, that they are NOT native (N American) and are damaging to paving, walls and foundations and should be removed asap where appropriate unless well away from the above.

These and other trees in parish responsibility to be checked. **Action: Cllrs Speight & Durran**

9.2 VERGE MOWING by LCC Highways contractors. Cllrs felt they may get better service from their own appointed firm and take the grant allocation from LCC for next season.

Likely contractors must be given clear maps and 3 quotes obtained to follow standing orders. A map in the parish notice-board from LCC to be checked by walking the roads.

Action: Cllrs Timms & Durran.

10. CORRESPONDENCE. 10.1 DECLARATIONS of Interest had been submitted to HDC and acknowledged but one address appears to be incomplete. Clerk to clarify with HDC.

10.2 DOG FOULING continues to offend and with such a small population (electoral roll 189) who have had a flyer, three have replied in support but it appears to be one uncaring villager who will not co-operate,

A resident has offered to make signs, but before action this to be checked for wording and placing with the HDC parish liaison officer, Ms Cawthorne and HDC dog-warden to be requested to visit starting with Mill Lane. **Action: Cllrs Timms & Speight.**

11. VILLAGE HALL and VILLAGE GREEN.

Two letters have been received from Mavis Jefferey clearly setting out the Transfer of Ownership in perpetuity to the new Parish Council as trustees on behalf of all the people of Shearsby. *Letters to be attached to Minutes.*

Chair and Clerk have been forwarded the relevant Land Registry forms and to arrange a visit to LR at West Bridge Leicester.

12. VILLAGE PLAN. Cllr Dahm to draft a circular (adapted from Burton Green) for approx 90 village homes and farms for distribution Fri 11th October and return by Thu 31st October.

Action: Cllrs Dahm & Durran.

13. COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE. Clerk has contacted Tim Heely to update website now clerk@shearsbyparish.org.uk with a password spoken to Cllrs. TH Notified LCC (Tina Britt) HDC (Hayley Cawthorne) LRALC (Jake Atkinson). A number of letters and post are still reaching the former Parish Meeting persons.

The village website (Gloria Reynolds) to include MINUTES and AGENDA and public notices.

14. URGENT or LATE ITEMS Nil.

15. OPEN session for public statements and questions.

15.1 COLLAPSED FOOTPATH at Ashbrook House, Fenny Lane. Cllrs check and report to LCC.

15.2 THE NARROWS, BACK LANE verge requires attention, Cllrs check & report to LCC.

Meeting closed 9.30pm

NEXT MEETING Thursday 5th DECEMBER 2013.