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Minutes for the Ordinary Meeting of Red Lodge Parish Council held on Tuesday, 12th April, 2016, at the Millennium Centre, Red Lodge, commencing at 7 pm.

Present: Cllr Angie Sewell **Chair**
Cllr Carol Downs **Vice Chair**
Cllr Debbie Rankin

Welcome and apologies for absence:

None.

Declarations of interest and Applications for Dispensation:

None.

Guest Speakers or Reports

Police

No report.

District Cllr Carol Lynch

DCllr Carol Lynch stated that car parking in the whole of the village is now a serious issue. It was noted by DCllr Lynch that there were 1.5 parking spaces per household. The issue of parking tickets was raised and DCllr Lynch replied that yes they can be issued. County Cllr Robin Millar advised the meeting that he would speak to the Police about this subject.

County Cllr Robin Millar

CCllr Robin Millar addressed the meeting stating that it was the first time that he had attended a Red Lodge Parish Council Meeting and he would like to express his thanks to Lisa Chambers for her past efforts. The main topics that Robin wanted to be involved in are:-

- (1) Traffic
- (2) Housing
- (3) Growth in the Red Lodge Community

He informed the meeting that the funding for the school is to be announced soon and that more accommodation for the children is to be provided on site, The meeting was informed that the site of the proposed new school is to be announced soon. It was mentioned that zig zag lines was an option to be explored to stop parking near the school gates. Cllr Millar asked the Parish Clerk to forward details on to him. The meeting was informed that the Police want to decriminalise as an offence, however, RLPC can employ a contractor to enforce the rules and advice should be sort from FHDC or SCC. If a contractor were to be employed this might mean a tax increase to residents of Red Lodge. It was also noted that there are a large number of potholes in the roads around the village, especially at the shopping precinct. Cllr Millar requested that a list be drawn up and forwarded onto him.

Millennium Centre

Nothing to report.

Sports Pavilion

Nothing to report.

Public Questions on any items on the Agenda and opportunity to raise Agenda items for future Meetings.

A member of the public asked what progress had been made in respect of the playground at Heatherset Way. The meeting was informed that the Parish Clerk and resident, Mr Clive MacLeod, were to hold a meeting with a member of the Parks Team on Thursday, 14th April, 2016 to discuss the way forwards.

To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Red Lodge Parish Council held on 8th March, 2016.

Confirmed.

Proposed: Cllr Carol Downs **Seconded:** Cllr Debbie Rankin **All Agreed**

To discuss the request from the Events Group in respect of the Red Lodge Beer Festival of the Parish Council providing a grant of £400 to subsidise 2 days of family activities.

A grant of £400 was discussed and the decision of the Parish Council was that this was not appropriate. The Parish Clerk was instructed to send an email to the Events Group, explaining that no, we will not provide a grant but will consider on an individual basis, applications from the Charities concerned for donations.

Proposed: Cllr Debbie Rankin **Seconded:** Cllr Angie Sewell **All Agreed**

To discuss the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations and what actions, if any, the Parish Council will take.

It was suggested that the local church be involved in organizing afternoon tea to celebrate the Queen's official birthday and that this be held on either Saturday, 11th June, or Saturday 18th June, 2016. It was also discussed and noted that District Councillor Lance Stanbury and District Councillor Carol

Lynch, have both agreed to donate £500 each towards these celebrations. Also, it was discussed and agreed by the Parish Council, that they would donate 5 saplings to the school and arrange for 4 trees, including plaques, to be planted in the Autumn at various locations, to commemorate the Queen's birthday.

Proposed: Cllr Debbie Rankin **Seconded:** Cllr Carol Downs **All Agreed**

To discuss the possibility of changing the Ordinary Parish Council Meetings from a Tuesday to a Wednesday evening.

The Parish Council decided that the Parish Council Meetings should remain on a Tuesday but will be reviewed again sometime in the future.

Proposed: Cllr Angie Sewell **Seconded:** Cllr Carol Downs **All Agreed**

To discuss the cost to the Parish Council (currently £200 per calendar month) of placing information in the Turnpike Magazine.

This matter was discussed and it was mentioned that complaints had been received from the public that the Turnpike Magazine is not being delivered on a regular basis. The meeting was informed that the Parish Council pay £200 per month for details of who is on the Parish Council and the hours that the office is open, the Council did agree to pay £200 per month for it to be printed in colour. The Parish Clerk was asked to contact the Turnpike Magazine with a view to reducing the monthly charge of £200 to £100

Proposed: Cllr Angie Sewell **Seconded:** Cllr Carol Downs **All Agreed**

To discuss the email received from the Acting Assistant Head Teacher, Anita Warren, at St Christopher's CEVC Primary School, concerning funding of various school projects.

As previously discussed the Parish Council will provide 5 saplings to the school and the meeting was informed that the school should approach FHDC for additional funding. However, it was agreed, that the Parish Council would provide £1,236.70p to allow the school to have a stepping stone pool, snakes and ladders, balance beam and a 4 way hopscotch.

To discuss the installation of a general litter bin on Turnpike Road, near to the bus stop or bridle park, as per the email received from Jennifer Hall, of the Red Lodge Conservation Group.

To be carried forwards.

To discuss the renewal of the Village Hall Insurance Policy on either a 3 or 5 year agreement (3 year saves £366 over the term, 5 year saves £1,225 over the term.

This matter was discussed and the Parish Council decided to go for the 5 year term agreement.

Proposed: Cllr Angie Sewell **Seconded:** Cllr Carol Downs **All Agreed**

Correspondence:

Dealt with.

Planning Applications:

Planning Application: (DC/16/0558/HH)

Proposal: Householder Planning Application – side extension to provide accessible Bedroom/wet room.

Location: 7 Lucerne Close, Red Lodge

Applicant: Mrs Melanie Reddy

The Parish Council agreed to support the application.

Proposed: Cllr Carol Downs **Seconded:** Cllr Debbie Rankin **All Agreed**

Finance & Resource Management:

Please see attached sheet for all payments made. The Parish Clerk was asked to contact Anglian Water in respect of the water and sewage charge for the Sports Pavilion which has risen sharply in the past year.

To confirm the date of the next Ordinary Meeting Red Lodge Parish Council Scheduled for Tuesday 10^h May, 2016 at the Red Lodge Millennium Centre commencing at 7pm.

Confirmed.

Signed:

Dated:

Chair Person of Red Lodge Parish Council