

Carlton Husthwaite Village Committee

Minutes of a meeting held in the Village Hall, Wednesday, 17th February 2016

Attending: Christine Spalding (Chair), Richard Ford (Secretary), Gladys Howard, Erica Cornish, Di Aspinall.

Apologies: Hilary Bell, Sarah Lees

Minutes of the last meeting were approved. Proposed EC Seconded GH

Matters arising:

Jubilee Tree has now been planted at end of line of trees near entrance to Village Hall. Agreed that RF would write and thank Adam Smith for supplying and planting the tree, at the same time asking him to submit his bill. It was agreed that we would discuss the question of a commemorative plaque at a future meeting.

Footpaths along Butt Lane: RF advised that he had contacted Highways yet again, only to be informed quite categorically that the Highways Officer had looked again at the state of these footpaths and was adamant that no further remedial work was necessary. Very disappointed by this response.

Local Plan: Hambleton have produced a consultation document for a Local Plan to 2035, replacing the previous Plan to 2026. This is a very thorough and far-reaching document on which we were asked to comment by questionnaire. CS will complete and return this document.

Planning: Confirmation received from Hambleton that amended floor plans and elevations to 2 holiday cottages at The Cedars have been approved.

Chairperson's Report:

No report

Treasurer's Report:

Balance £1394.82 (including Jubilee Tree funds). £180 due re insurance premium, £303 due for payment re fencing repairs. After paying out funds for the tree the balance at end of year is likely to be around £661.

Agreed that we would minute the appointment and duties of the internal auditor on the basis that we understand Catherine Botting will continue this duty this year.

Also agreed that we would minute our requirements for any funds spent by the committee, on the basis that we should always try and obtain 3 quotes for work to be done, taking into account quality, reliability, expertise, looking to obtain best value and not always the cheapest.

HB is still obtaining quotes for grass cutting, the situation becoming somewhat complicated, due to the need to cut 3 extra small areas of grass for which the local authority make a small contribution. Agreed that these additional areas required less maintenance and that we would ask the contractor to cut them as and when considered necessary, thus keeping the additional costs down as much as possible.

Correspondence:

Letter from Hambleton re another Parish Liaison Meeting on 31st March.

Any other business:

Both CS and RF confirmed that they will be relinquishing their positions at the year end. CS will chair the AGM although RF will not be present and the meeting will need to elect a new Chair and Secretary.

Date and time of next meeting:

AGM Wednesday, 6th April 2016 at 7.30p.m.