**Councillors present**: Cllr. R. Osborn (RS), Cllr. N Foster (NF), Cllr. S. Foster (SF), Cllr. K. Lucas (KL) and Cllr. B. Harvey (BH) & Cllr. P. Merrick (PM), Cllr A Marshall (AM)

**Present:**  Stand-In Clerk – Su Field, Chris Hall – Village Hall Committee, Sue Dampier – Speed Watch & Jim Power – Worlie Cafe

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| **Item** | **Meeting opened at 07.30pm**  **Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):**  11 Members of the public were in attendance.  Issues raised:   * Brown Bins – are no longer being collected unless the £40 is paid. Lot of chatter on Streetlife about what is going to happen to the bins themselves. No information has been received as to what people should do with them. Letter to be written from the Parish to the District Council as to disposal. Also new rule about recycling household/kitchen waste should not now be put into the brown bin. EU regulations have changed and this will now not be composted and will have to be disposed of * Parish Ditch/Dyke – BT Openreach have done some work which has damaged the ground – contact needs to be made to get them to come and do restoration work. Repairs to footpath are scheduled to be done by SCC Highways. To be chased up. * Footpaths – lots are not suitable for people with limited mobility. Any particular issues need to be reported to SCC Highways for them to be entered into the work plan. | **Action** |
| **16/03/1** | **Chairman’s Welcome & Acceptance of Apologies for Absence (LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)):** Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 to consider the exclusion of the public and press for confidential items had taken place before the public meeting.  **Apologies: Cllr James Waters** **Absent: None** |  |
| **16/03/2** | **Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:**  None. |  |
| **16/03/3** | **Minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2016- LGA 1972, Schedule 12, para 41(2):**  **Resolved 16/03/3.1**  The minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2016 were adopted as true statements and signed by the Chairman (RO). |  |
| **16/03/4**  **16/03/4.1** | **External Forum:**  **County Councillor**  Cllr. Waters (JW) sent his apologies due to devolution meetings. |  |
| **16/03/4.2** | **District Councillor**  Chase House – issue has now been resolved. Surveyors have written to owners requesting them to look at the wall.  Police – whole of the constabulary is being reorganised. Meeting and presentation at FHDC from the PCCO and Chief Constable. Reports in the future will be in a different format. No PCSO presence in the future unless a major incident.  SNT officers are being reduced.  Anaerobic Digester Plant – developers and Bay Farm have agreed to virtually all of FHDC’s requirements. No additional farm vehicles over what is currently there. Lagoons will now be covered. Visual Splay at entrance will be expanded. Golf Links Road – no transportation or additional traffic over and above their normal usage.  NF – what happens if there is an increase in traffic?  BH – this would be a breach of a planning condition and enforcement action would be taken.  Pressurisation unit is no longer going to be down Golf Links Road it will now be contained within the site.  Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations (11th and 12th June) – money is available from the District. If the Parish Council were minded to organise an event funding could be made available. Would have to be more than just “tea and cakes”.  FHDC has funded the fans for the kitchen.  JW has funded the replacement of the heating for the church.  Traffic Calming – RO has been trying to get money out of SCC (Red Lodge monies). BH updated the meeting about efforts to bring in buffer zones on all four entrances (to include the Isleham entrance/junction) to the village. Closed meeting taking place shortly to elicit more information.  9 The Paddocks – which application is going forward? RO to ascertain.  [SF left the meeting] |  |
| **16/03/5**  **16/03/5.1** | **Reports**  Village Hall Committee  Accounts have finally been reconciled.  £581 has been received from BH’s locality budget for ventilation works.  Small mobile PA system has been purchased.  Mirror gone and new noticeboard has been put up in its place.  Village Quiz - £420 raised in January. Next quiz is planned for either April or May.  Bingo – FRIDAY IN March  100 Club ongoing  PAT testing has taken place.  Food Hygiene questionnaire has been completed and returned to FHDC – no news yet but it is hoped that the Hall will keep it’s 5\* rating.  Risk Assessment has been done. A number of hazards have been identified. No takers for the mirror so it will be disposed of.  New outside lights have been installed.  Uneven surfaces – signage will be put up and some remedial works will be done.  Roof – tiles are made of white asbestos, left undisturbed it should be ok but contractors will need to be made aware. What is the possibility of the roof being replaced? Could grants be obtained?  Still working on fire risk assessment. |  |
| **16/03/5.2** | Play Area & Maintenance of Parish Footpaths  Broken fence has been replaced.  Looking to purchase new materials to remove the hazard of the metal gate. Agreed that items can be purchased.  Footpaths covered earlier in Minutes. |  |
| **16/03/5.3** | Village Speed Watch Update (Sue Dampier)  11 speed surveys have been carried out since the beginning of the year.  Lots of local support.  PCSO Askew did attend to support which had an effect on the behaviour of some drivers.  Moveable VAS sign has “given up the ghost” is currently back with the manufacturer to see if it can be repaired.  Investigations are taking place about purchasing a SID across a few parishes. A paper based exercise followed by a survey needs to be undertaken.  Freckenham and Barton Mills have expressed possibility of joining in.  RO proposed, NF seconded support for the investigation and possible purchase. |  |
| **16/03/5.4** | External Meetings that Councillors may wish to report upon  KL - tree problems. Has had a conversation with FHDC trees officer and requested that the Parish Council is informed when trees are going to be cut down/removed. |  |
| **16/03/5.5** | ‘Worlie Cafe’ Update (Jim Power)  Last session in February and there were an additional 20 visitors (from outside the village). Total clear profit was about £149.  Very well attended. New event this coming Friday.  Sessions will continue through to May and then start again after the Summer. |  |
| **16/03/6** | **Planning Applications**  9 The Paddocks – RO to contact Planning to ascertain which application is being taken forward.  Digester – on Planning Agenda for FHDC on 2nd March. RO will be representing the Parish and will speak at Committee.  Consultation starting with smaller villages shortly (April) about the planning boundaries. |  |
| **16/03/7**  **16/03/7.1** | **Finance & Policies**  Bank Balances/Reconciliation from list of payments and receipts  RO/NF to investigate the refurbishment quote/bill. |  |
| **16/03/7.2** | Village Hall Accounts and Bank Account Update  Signed. |  |
| **16/03/8** | **Planting Scheme Update**  Have been granted the planting licence from SCC so can go ahead with the planting. NF now has a full “shopping list” and will be looking for volunteers later in the year to help with the physical planting.  19th March spring clean-up -10am meet at the Hall. |  |
| **16/03/9**  **16/03/9.1** | **Highways Issues**  Traffic Calming (RO)  Covered by BH earlier in the meeting. |  |
| **16/03/9.2** | Golf Links Road (Potholes/Passing Places) (AM)  AM updated the meeting about the lack of bunding which is allowing the effluent running onto the road causing more potholes. AM to liaise with BH.  SCC officers were supposed to be investigating a longer term fix at both ends of the road due to recurrence of potholes etc. |  |
| **16/03/9.3** | Green Lane Oak Trees/Flooding Walnut Grove/The Street Update (NF)  The Street – NF has received responses from SCC with confirmation that this will be added to the maintenance programme.  Walnut Grove – report on 12th January – work will be carried out within 4 weeks’ weather permitting.  Oak Trees – SCC do not feel that any action is necessary but they will continue to monitor.  Hedge Cutting has taken place down Freckenham Road. |  |
| **16/03/10** | **Correspondence**  None for this meeting. |  |

Items for next Agenda and date for AGM and Village Meeting – to be confirmed

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Signed: Rupert Osborn Date: 26th May 2016

Chairman, Worlington Parish Council