PLAYDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD 4th SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 19:30 AT THE PLAYDEN W.I. HALL

DRAFT MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES:

Cty Cllrs Glazier (KG); Cllr Stone (DGS)

2. ATTENDEES:

Cllrs. Blackham (AB), Lenihan (TL), Osborne (PO) Vice Chairman Dist Cllr Ramus (NR); Mrs Kent (RK) Messrs. Maxfield (CM) & Ross

3. PCSO REPORT:

There was none.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

5. PUBLIC SESSION:

Mr Ross asked about a footpath in Leasam Lane, he was referred to NR as Chairman of Rye Foreign P C.

It was, once again, necessary to remind landowners that it is their legal responsibility to keep their vegetation, trees and bushes under control and not to encroach on the highways and footpaths.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:

It was resolved, following a proposal by AB, seconded by TL, to invite ex-Councillor Mrs Dearden to our next meeting to give Council an update on progress.

7. VISITING COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

NR reported that some Parish Councils are having problems with the new method of them being provided with information on Planning Applications, in that it is not always easy to obtain a full idea of the proposal; it has been suggested that Parish Councils invite applicants to meetings in order that they can take the Council through the application in greater detail. Regarding the Waste Collection Contract, most of the teething problems appear to have been resolved. He also touched upon the recording of meetings by the Council's which has been adopted by some in order to preclude recordings by third parties that might be edited in a manner to suit their own purposes.

PO reiterated NR's comments regarding waste collection.

8. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF:

7th August 2014 proposed by TL and seconded by AB it was resolved they be adopted.

8a. MATTERS ARISING:

9b - Mr Wetherill's letter had been circulated to all members.

12a - Clerk had informed Planning Enforcement about "Windings"

13a - TL was able to report the steps had been repaired

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Clerk reported the letter from Rother Rural Trust no further action at this time.
- b) Clerk reported on canvassing letter received from RDC regarding printing services, this was passed to AB.

10. PLANNING:

There were no applications

11. ACCOUNTS:

a) It was resolved to pay Clerk's salary & expenses

12. PARISH AFFAIRS:

- a) AB reported on his meeting regarding the Iden Cycle Path with the Environment Agency, who are sympathetic and supportive; funds are being sought for the necessary remedial works at Scot's Float. Also as result of this meeting he is looking into the condition of some of Playden's finger post signs and requested this item be included in next month;s agendum. Resulting from this, the Clerk was asked to report the damage to the road name sign facing the lower end of Houghton Green Lane.
- b) TL reported the very overgrown condition of Footpath 12; Clerk to report to ESCC Footpaths Officer. He also asked the Clerk to obtain a definitive map of all local footpaths.
- c) The detritus left over from some tree trimming done outside is still lying there after several weeks, Clerk & ClIrs to enquire as to who is responsible.

13. PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

See above.

Acting Chairman suggested we try to finalise Clerk's Contract of Employment.

14. ADDITIONAL ITEMS: To consider such other items as the Chairman decides are urgent and due notice of which has been given to the Clerk on the day of the meeting.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE W.I. HALL ON:

2nd OCTOBER 2014 in the WI Hall

Signed

Ray Harrington-Lowe, Parish Clerk