

**MINUTES OF TIMBERLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 11th May 2010 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TIMBERLAND**

Present:

Cllr	J Speirs	Chairman
Cllr	Holmes	
Cllr	J Speirs	
Cllr	Clarke	
Cllr	J Slesser	

Mrs	A Greenwood	Clerk
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In attendance

Cllr F Ambridge left at 8.30pm
Cllr P Bradwell arrived at 8pm

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- **MR EVERINGTON ASKED IF THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD SUPPORT THE PARISH IF THEY WISHED TO ENTER THE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION NEXT YEAR. AFTER A SHORT DISCUSSION THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED THE MEETING THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD BE HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR.**

1. REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN

1. THE CHAIRMAN INFORMED THE COUNCIL THAT THE MEETING WOULD BE RECORDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING MINUTES AND THAT THE CLERK WOULD DESTROY THE RECORDING ONCE THE MINUTES HAD BEEN PRODUCED.
2. THE CHAIRMAN ADDED AN ITEM TO THE AGENDA (NO.6B) THE COUNCILS INSURANCE RENEWAL POLICY

2. APOLOGIES

2. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Elvidge.

3. DECLARATIONS

3. Cllr Speirs and the Chairman declared an on interest in item no. 6 where a cheque would be signed for the payment of stamps and postage to Timberland Post Office.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4. The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday March 16th 2010, were then taken as read, approved and signed.

Proposed: Cllr Slesser
Seconded: Cllr Holmes

5. Planning Applications

- 5.1 A planning application has be made and granted for a:
Single storey side extension and rear extension
At

4 Church Lane, Timberland.

5.2 Planning application has be made for **Agricultural storage, gazebo, washroom, office and rest facilities** at Timberland Road Nursery, Timberland, Lincoln

5.3 Planning application has be made for **Erection of two story side and rear extension and single storey rear extension at 60 Fen Road, Timberland.**

6. Financial matters

6.1 The Council approved the accounts for the year ending 2009-2010

Proposed by Cllr Holmes
Seconded by Cllr Speirs

Clerk to forward the accounts to the internal auditor and put up the audit poster in June.

6.2	Cheques to be signed: Clerks wages	281.14
	Litter picker wages	45.84
	Post office fees for stamps and postage	9.40

6b Insurance renewal

The Clerk informed the meeting that the renewal for the insurance policy had increased to around £680 to include personal accident and property damage.

The Clerk is to get two other insurance quotes for comparison and feed back to Councillors as soon as possible.

7. Cluster meeting

7.1 The Clerk gave an update on the recent cluster meeting.

The Clerk informed the meeting that Rowan Smith from Highways would be at the next cluster meeting to hear about any specific problem areas in the clusters. Meeting to be held on July 12th at Anwick. Cllr Holmes suggested that the council use previous minutes to help highlight any problems areas in the parish that remain a problem and inform Rowan Smith of these.

Cllr Bradwell entered the meeting at 8.25pm

Clerk to look through previous and highlight any key areas that still required improvements.

8. Council Vacancy

8.1 The Chairman read a letter from Chris Neale stating his application to fill the present Parish Council vacancy.

It was proposed by Cllr Holmes and seconded by Cllr Speirs, that Mr Neale take up this vacant position. The Council voted unanimously in favour of this proposal.

The Clerk to write and inform Mr Neale of his new position on the council, and forward all the relevant documentation.

Clerk to inform electoral services.

9. **Parish Plan**

9.1 After a discussion, the Council agreed to advertise in the local community inviting members of the parish interested in doing the parish plan, to form a steering group. Cllr Slesser and the Chairman offered to be a main point of contact on the poster.

The Clerk to put up a poster to advertise for willing volunteers.

The Clerk also to contact Fiona Lowe at Community Links to give her an update and to request an example of a parish plan from a smaller parish for comparison.

The Chairman and Cllr Slesser to give any relevant feedback at the next Parish Council meeting

10. **Summer event**

10.1. Cllr Slesser discussed the possibility of a parish event to bring the community together. After much discussion, the Council agreed that they could begin by talking to members of the parish to engage ideas and interest in such a project. Then, possibly advertising the proposal to gain further support. Cllr Slesser volunteered to be the main point of contact for this possible project. The Chairman thanked Councillor Slesser for the suggestion and for volunteering.

11. **AOB/ Correspondence**

11.1 There was no other business for discussion.

11.2 The Chairman read a letter of resignation from Cllr Clarke. The Chairman accepted Cllr Clarke's resignation but the Chairman and Cllr Holmes expressed their regret at this decision. The Chairman thanked Councillor Clarke for all her hard work and efforts on behalf of the parish.

The Clerk to write to Mrs Clarke to officially thank her for her hard work on behalf of the Parish Council.

11.3 The Clerk read a letter from Douglas Hogg MP thanking the parish for their response in March 2010.

12. **Date of next meeting**

13.1. The date of the next meeting will be 6 July 2010.

Signedn bxxjgzdbp.....

Position

Date