

# Scrayingham Parish Council

## Minutes of a meeting of Scrayingham Parish Council Held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 At 7.30pm Leavening Methodist Hall

### Attendees:

Ms J Devos  
Mrs S Elsey  
Ms S Flowers (Parish Clerk)  
P Jones (Chairman)  
Mrs L Scott  
Mrs C Stone  
Mr M Stone

### Apologies:

Mr N Groves

### 1. Minutes of the Previous meeting

Agreed these were a true and correct record of the meeting held 9 December 2013.

### 2. Matters Arising

Covered under Agenda items.

### 3. Financial Report, Audit & on-going Budget

P Jones reported expenditure incurred since the previous meeting – Clerk's salary, Insurance (£159) and £700 for footpath clearance where an invoice had not yet been received.

It was noted the annual audit is now due. The annual risk assessment was conducted at the meeting, Audit papers are to be completed and prepared for final approval by the Parish Council at the meeting to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014. **PJ/SF**

The Annual Inspection of Assets is also due to be undertaken. **PJ/SF**

Ongoing budget – Budget for the forthcoming 12 months to be put in place. PJ is to circulate general expenditure budget for approval. **PJ**

The following expenditure was approved by all, and cheques issued at follows:

100072 – PK Littlejohn – (Annual Audit) - £76.00

100073 – Leavening Methodist Trust – (Meeting Hall Hire) - £24.00

100074 – Came & Company – (Annual PC Insurance) - £159.00

#### **4. Planning Matters**

PJ reported that he and MS had visited Mr Stuart Wood, Poplar House Farm to discuss plans for the farm. It was reported this had been a useful visit and it was pleasing the Parish Council were being kept advised of his plans prior to any planning permissions being sought. It was noted retrospective planning permission was granted by RDC for the erection of the agricultural structure. However a strict regime for slurry removal had been established.

#### **5. Clerk's Duties**

PJ to discuss with SF.

**PJ**

#### **6. Scrayingham Church Hall**

CJ read an email she had received from P Pace confirming the church hall was now to be offered for public auction late summer/early autumn. Monies received from the sale of the Church Hall would go to the church in Scrayingham.

#### **7. Drainage in Scrayingham Village**

PJ and MS continue to hold discussions with Yorkshire Water. Yorkshire Water would consider assisting with a local scheme where plans still have to be drawn up. Costings for this were not known at this stage.

**PJ/MS**

#### **8. Broadband Proposals**

PJ reported he had received a letter from Ann Mackintosh (MP) but no further progress had been made. PJ to reply to Ann Mackintosh's letter indicating the Parish Council's displeasure that rural communities were being disadvantaged.

**PJ**

JD agreed to speak with GWD with regarding to the possibility of providing some private capital to provide a solution.

**JD**

#### **9. Improvements to Village Amenities**

The phone box in Scrayingham is still to be painted. GWD has agreed his workmen will paint this if the Parish Council provides

the paint. JD to order the paint and deliver to GWD.

**JD**

#### **10. Footpaths & Bridleways**

The footpath between Scrayingham and Howsham has now been cleared and is much improved.

It was noted the footpath at Leppington requires clearing also and would be the subject of further discussion.

#### **11. Neighbourhood Watch**

PJ advised on discussions held recently with the Police, who were keen to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss Neighbourhood Watch issues. It was agreed they should be invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to speak with interested parishioners.

#### **12. Any other Business**

MS reported on a large Police presence in Scrayingham on Saturday 29 March due to the presence of the Middleton Hunt and Hunt Saboteurs in the area.

#### **Date of next meeting**

**To be arranged.**

The meeting closed at 9pm.