

**MINUTES OF TIMBERLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING HELD ON 12th January 2010 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TIMBERLAND**

Present:

Cllr	J Speirs	Chairman
Cllr	L Lerpiniere	Vice Chairman
Cllr	D Holmes	
Cllr	K Elvidge	
Cllr	J Speirs	
Cllr	J Slesser	

Mrs	A Greenwood	Clerk
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**In attendance**

Cllr Ambridge

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**THERE WERE SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT.**

**THE FOLLOWING POINTS / QUESTIONS WERE RAISED:**

- STREET LIGHTS THAT HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE VILLAGE HAVE NOT YET BEEN FIXED. THE CLERK WOULD REPORT THEM AGAIN, DESPITE THESE FAULTS BEING REPORTED SEVERAL TIMES PREVIOUSLY BY THE PARISH COUNCIL AND RESIDENTS. THE CHAIRMAN WOULD GIVE THE CLERK THE DETAILS OF THE STREET LIGHTS TO BE REPORTED.
- SUPPORT FOR THE LETTER TO BE DISCUSSED RE: REMOVAL OF SCHOOL BUS, IN AGENDA NUMBER 10. SOME PARENTS OF LOCAL CHILDREN WERE PRESENT WITH CONCERNS OVER THE CHILDREN WALKING TO THE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN MARTIN FROM TIMBERLAND.
- WATER GATHERING ON STATION ROAD. THE POT HOLE TO BE REPORTED AND THE CHAIRMAN TO INVESTIGATE THE ISSUE OF WATER GATHERING.

**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. APOLOGIES**

2. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hazel Clarke.

**3. DECLARATIONS**

3. Cllr Slesser declared an on interest in item no. 5. Planning application made by herself and her husband. Cllr Speirs and the Chairman, Cllr Speirs declared an interest in item no.9 re donations from the Parish Council and their daughter Ruth, being a LIVES responder.

**4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

4. The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2009, were then taken as read, approved and signed.

Proposed: Cllr Lerpiniere  
Seconded: Cllr Holmes

## **5. Planning Applications**

5.1 Planning Applications – Cllr Slesser left the meeting for this agenda item

A planning application has been made for a:

Two storey and single storey side extension

At

1 Foster Close, Timberland.

During Item no. 3 Cllr Slesser had informed the Council about the incorrect boundary marked on the plan and advised them as to the correct boundary.

5.2 The Clerk had received an Application to Discharge Planning Conditions – Top Farm, Thorpe Tilney. Cllr Ambridge explained what was meant by discharge of planning condition and the Clerk is to investigate further into this.

## **6. Financial matters**

6.1 The Council agreed the budget for 2010-2011 and voted unanimously in favour to set the precept at: £4150.00

The Clerk has advised the Council that based on the current financial situation and the increase in the precept, they should not be in a position to continue with a PWL to purchase any land in the next financial year without further discussion and relevant public meetings.

6.2 The Council voted in favour of renewing the PWL application.

**Clerk to send the precept request for the above amount and renew the PWL application.**

## **7. Playing Field**

7.1 The Chairman informed the Council that he had spoken with Mr South who continues to express an interest in selling a piece of land in the future. He is available to discuss this in more detail in the Spring. Cllr Slesser added that, following on from Item no.6, the Parish Council would not be in a position to buy any land until the following financial year. The Chairman agreed that this would be asking too much of the Parish at this present time to go ahead with a land purchase.

## **8. Parish Plan**

8.1 The Clerk did not have an update at this present time and is waiting for a response from Community Links.

## **9. Donation Request**

9.1 After a discussion the Council agreed that this financial year the donations would be £300.00 to the Church and £300.00 to the village hall.

**The Clerk to write to the committees and inform them that they will receive the donation during the next financial year.**

## **10. Letter from Sarah Hands**

10.1. The Clerk read out the letter from Sarah Hands. The Clerk informed the Council that she had been in contact with Transport Services at Lincolnshire County Council and that as they route from Timberland to Martin met the following conditions they would not be taking any further action:

>The route is within the 2 miles

>The footway is wide enough

>The volume of traffic is considered to be of an acceptable amount

11. **Cluster meeting agenda.**

11.1 There were no comments on the agenda for the forthcoming cluster meeting.

12. **Highways.**

12.1 After a short discussion the Council confirmed that the grit in the bins was not for private use. There was no further action to be taken.

13. **AOB and Correspondence received**

13.1 Diversion of footpath Number 1. Although there were no objections to this diversion the Clerk was asked to write and communicate the Councils concerns over the Waste of public money that has been spent on the present footpath signage.

14. **Date of next meeting**

13.1. The date of the next meeting will be 16 March 2010 and Cllr Holmes gave his apologies.

Signed .....

Position .....

Date .....