Parish Council

Thursday 19-Feb-2015 @ 19:15
Village Hall

MINUTES

Members present: Councillor Lee Melville, Councillor Sally Law

1: Apologies for absence were received

Apologies for absence were received: Cllr. Chadwick, Cllr. Burnage

2: declarations of interest in items on the agenda

No declarations of interest for items on the agenda were received

3: Public Question Time

No members of the public were present.

4: To approve the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on January 2015

The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on 22nd January 2015 were approved and signed.

5: Representatives from Persimmon Homes

Representatives from Persimmon Homes advised the meeting the progress so far. The application is in and is likely to be decided upon by the end of March. The flats were discussed in detail. It was agreed that the Council were happy with the design of the houses/bungalows within the site. Persimmon confirmed that they are actively marketing the retail
area. Should planning permission be given in March then they would hope to start footing around September. B. Cllr. Hill asked if Persimmon intended to obtain Gas for the site. Persimmons are to come back to us regarding delivery re sports field, check regarding delivery of Gas and broadband.

6: Report from Borough Councillors and any other representative:

B. Cllr T. Hill's report had been distributed and there
were no queries regarding the same

7: Authorise Cheques for payment:

FEB
19.2.15 101646 Viking Direct Balance for new printer £ 87.59
19.2.15 101647 Andy Muskett VAT on last invoice £ 24.48
101648 Cancelled
19.2.15 101649 V. A. Gladstone Wages £ 595.62
19.2.15 101650 V. A. Gladstone Expenses £ 47.24
19.2.15 101651 Ace Fire & Security Callout for CCTV £ 78.00
19.2.15 101652 Ace Fire & Security Callout for CCTV £ 54.00
19.2.15 101653 P J Ayles Heaters for village hall £ 1,480.80

8: Correspondence

Beds Police & Crime – Circular asking to increase the precept for police: . The Chairman mentioned a meeting that Cllr. Plater and he attended when the Police Commissioner spoke regarding the 5 year plan distributed to the meeting and also the referendum regarding the increase for the benefit of the police in order to increase the presence of police in
the Borough
TDS – RoSPA Inspection Company asking for work It was resolved that the clerk contacts them to get a quotation.
BBC Borough in Brief
BBC Scrutiny Committee

9: Clerks/Financial Report:

printer – new printer is excellent:. Bank: £63551 and £25259

10: Planning applications:

15/00225/FUL The Council only has one objection to this in that the new windows at the front of
the property should mirror the originals windows at the front.
15/00180/FUL and 15/00181/FUL – the Council have no objections to these applications.

11: Reports for Resolution regarding

a. Highways – nothing to report
b. Lighting – Cllr. Plater's report has been distributed and no queries were. Houghton Conquest lighting column on the corner of Stewartby Way is out and it was resolved that the Clerk report this to Houghton Conquest clerk. Andy Muskett's quotation was discussed and was accepted for the next year.
c. Recreation Area – play equipment – to be discussed at the next meeting when Cllr. Chadwick can be present. Borough have planted the commemoration tree, the plaque is facing towards Stewartby Way and is cemented in. It
is proposed to have a ceremony during the week when the weather is better. There are 3 willow trees that need attention. AJ Joshi the Tree Conservation Officer gave a report and it needs to be done by an arboculturist. It was resolved that the clerk gets quotes. Clerk to get quote for RoSPA
d. Newsletter – to be put back to the next meeting.

12: Date of next meeting

19th March 21015