

**Minutes of the meeting of Cowbit Parish Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**at Cowbit Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

**Attendance.** In attendance were Cllrs Tyrrell (Chairman), Simpson, Elliott and Sharman.

District Cllr A.Woolf. 4 members of public.

**1. Chairman welcomed everyone.**

**Public Forum.**

**2. Apologies.**

a. None received.

**3. Declarations of interest.**

a. None received.

**4. Notes from the meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were read and accepted as a true copy of the minutes of the meeting. All AGREED.**

**5. Clerks report.**

a. The question regarding trees along Backgate having a preservation order is still ongoing.

b. There was no current SID data made available to be discussed. The Clerk can report that the average speed cameras on the A16 are working and those who are speeding are taken to court, with some hefty fines imposed.

c. The meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March to discuss speeding with Lincs Road Safety Partnership, Police, and both County and District Councillors. There is no extra money to fund speeding campaigns and it's down to the individual parishes to work alongside the LRSP and volunteers to combat speeding. The new Lincs co-ordinator is due to start his post in May and will be in contact with all parishes who have agreed to be part of the Community Safety Watch programme.

d. The Clerk had received the resignation from Cllr Keith Kendall. It was resolved to accept this resignation. After advertising of the vacancy by SHDC, the Parish Council can now co-opt to fill the vacancy.

**6. Police matters.**

a. The following report was for **February**. ASB=1, criminal damage=0, theft=0, violence=2, burglary=0, RTC=0 Operation Galileo is proving successful with Hare Coursing figure down on last year.

**7. Highways matters.**

a. County Cllr Nigel Pepper has organised a Parish walk round with Cllr Richard Davies from Highways. This will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> April and will be accompanied by Cllrs Tyrrell and Elliott

**8. Finance report.**

a. Payments of £765.60. Resolved. Current account as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 is £4557.74 and Reserve account is £4709.69

**9. Planning report.** H01-0053-18 Stonegate H01-0098-18 Warrens Rest. H01-0143-18 The Pastures. All the above planning applications had been supported by the Parish Council

**10. Village Hall report.**

- a. On 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018, it is the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Cowbit Village Hall and to mark the occasion they are holding another pop-up-pub, after the success of the last one. The Race night held in March again very successful and have booked it again for March 2019. The recently held AGM, like most groups have vacancies for committee members, although a good team of helpers are always to hand. Christmas parties for both children and elderly residents are planned and the annual Fun on The Field is booked for 8<sup>th</sup> September.

**11. Playing field report.**

- a. Cllr Elliott reported that the Pavillion in the playing field had a burst pipe during the bad weather in March. This resulted in the ceiling coming down and other internal damage. An insurance claim has been requested and we can now go ahead with some repair works. The Pavillion is currently unusable until such time as the works are completed.

**12. Correspondence.**

- a. Clerk had received an email from the Salvation Army clothing collections department, asking if Cowbit would be interested in having a clothing bank which would need to be sited on land owned by the Parish Council. After discussion, it was agreed not to go ahead with this but to suggest contacting a local businessman who may be able to assist.

**13. Councillors reports & items for the next agenda.**

- a. None received.

**14. Date of the next meeting.**

- a. It was agreed by all that the **Annual General Meeting** be held on **14<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.30pm**

**15. . To resolve whether to move into closed session and exclude public, police and press (who will be required to leave the meeting at this stage), in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972), due to the confidential nature of business to be discussed in relation to the following matters:**

None.

**Meeting ended at 8.20pm**