

# Minutes of the meeting of Cowbit Parish Council held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018

## at Cowbit Village Hall at 7.30pm.

**Attendance.** In attendance were Cllrs Simpson (vice-chairman), Elliott, Hook and Sharman. District Cllrs A.Casson and 5 members of public.

### 1. Chairman welcomed everyone.

### Public Forum.

#### 2. Apologies.

a. Apologies received from Cllr Tyrrell, reasons given and accepted by all.

#### 3. Declarations of interest.

a. None received.

#### 4. Notes from the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were read and accepted as a true copy of the minutes of the meeting. All AGREED.

#### 5. Matters arising from the minutes.

a. The recent Pride Awards had taken place in Spalding and Colin from the village shop had won. The Parish Councillors would like to say a huge well done to Colin for all that he does.

#### 6. Police matters and CSW.

a. The Police report had been received from the PCSO for 01/7/18 – 01/10/18. ASB-2, RTC-0, burglary-0, criminal damage-0. Theft-0.

#### 7. Highways matters.

a. Clerk asked Cllr Pepper if he was able to see if the speed limit can be reduced at Peak Hill. His reply: *I have discussed the prospect of reducing the speed limit at Peak Hill with a senior Highways Officer, but unfortunately they have their heels dug in saying that the current speed limit is the correct one, stating that it has good road markings, good visibility, minimal amount of houses etc etc. and also wouldn't meet the requirements of Lincolnshire's Speed Limit Policy.*

**b. Decoy Farm.** It had been noted that vehicles leaving Decoy Farm are not observing the correct route out onto the highway that had been previously agreed with the developers.

**c. 'Gated entrance to Village'.** The developers of Decoy Farm had agreed that if they had got planning permission for the works, then they would consider giving the money to the Parish Council to enable them to purchase a 'gate'.

#### 8. Finance report.

a. Payments of £566.20 and income and transfer of £3109.95 Current account as of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 is £9394.00 and Reserve account is £22,135.62

b. It was resolved to purchase all the CSW equipment including speed signs, total cost £749.61

c. The District Councillors for Cowbit, had made available a grant towards the radar unit to the sum of £250. A big thank you to District Councillors for their generosity.

d. It was resolved to accept the cost of £730 for repairs to the playing field as per ROSPA report.

e. It was resolved to accept the cost of £655 for the painting of both the interior and exterior of the pavilion.

f. It was resolved to accept the cost of £1200 for works in the playing field to build a concrete ramp allowing easier access.

#### **9. Planning report.**

- a. Discussions had taken place regarding the developments of both planning application of 45 houses and 33 various dwellings.
- b. Discussions of a 'village plan' with community involvement will be deferred until May.

#### **10. Village Hall report.**

- The Christmas parties for the elders of the village will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- Pop up pub is planned for 8<sup>th</sup> December.
- More publicity is needed for community engagement.

#### **11. Playing field report.**

- The ROSPA report showed up various minor works in the play area which will be rectified over the next few months. The order has been placed for the extension of the safety surface around the swings.
- After discussion, Cllrs decided that a new piece of equipment called 'Rope-Rush' will be purchased with the monies given by Ashley King Developments. In placing the order with Playquest, Cllr Elliott has negotiated a fee set of 5-a-side goal posts.
- Minor damage to the boundary area caused by the IDB will be repaired.
- There are no football teams now using the playing field.
- The 'post & rail' fencing around the playing field has now been completed.
- It has been noted that there is a youngster riding a motorbike type vehicle on the playing field.

#### **12. Correspondence.**

- a. Some correspondence received had been included in the agenda.

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

- a. Dog fouling.

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

- a. It was agreed by all that the next general meeting be held on **10<sup>th</sup> December 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: No.**

**The general meeting ended at 8.30pm**