

COTHERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Wednesday April 9th 2014.
VILLAGE HALL -COTHERSTONE -7.00PM.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

Present R Hunter, J Watson. A Thorn. J Birkett. D Rabbitts K Harrow J Gill....

Declaration of Interest none

2. Apologies—none..

3. Minutes of the February Meeting--to be signed at the April Meeting
-amendment item 8 Planning ref number. signed as correct.

3. Minutes of the March Meeting.

To be signed at the May Meeting –amended items –

1. Present. 4 members of the public attended to raise any points and objections on the " Outline Planning—West of Marwood Terrace and Marwood View .

2. Cemetery –

5b. the clerk had been contacted by Mr Derek Watson re removal of kerbs from the grave of Mr Carlton and Miss Carlton –Mr Watsons Great Aunt.

Mr Watson was not happy with these being removed.

5c. J W pointed out that a grave space is purchased for 99 years –"Grant of Burial Rights"

3. Allotments Plot K5 was available. Clerk to contact Jane Skriban and Fiona Addison .re tenancy.

4. Correspondence.

b. letter received from Jill Hedley re comments made regarding affordable housing "South of the Close" circulate to cllrs. clerk to reply

5. AOB

2. Trees outside Hagg House –concerns re height /stability –write to Dr Robertson for his views on this matter.

4. Matters arising—

a. Featherstone Rise – work on each corner of the footpath-completed.

b. "Cemetery –more discussion re:"99 Years Grant of Burial Rights"Cothelstone Cemetery.

DR had obtained a copy of exerts from the Cemetery Law--Watford Borough Council –cemetery management on what can/cannot be done on kerb removal.

Notice has been displayed at the Cemetery Entrance ref: CPC removal of Kerbs. 15 graves still to work on. Relatives will be identified if possible for permission (3 verbal agreements already received) removal of the remainder will be seen to when agreed by the PC.

Executive powers agreed to this notice being placed.

A letter had been received from Mr Derek Watson this to be circulated.

Allotments. Erosion of stream bank at the Close allotments , this will be inspected

cb. Notice Board available from Teesdale Crafts cost £60 –would need two legs –clerk to contact.

d. kerbs –clerk will assist D R make a list of names from headstones .

e. D R permission to purchase slow growing grass seed. Agreed.

Greens. Ok.

Allotments. Klondyke—Plot 5 was available –clerk to contact Jane Skriban and Fiona Addison re Tenancy.

7. Accounts for payment. IM travel to Spennymoor 20th Feb 2014 £22.68

Clerks salary £300 final this year.

Agreed for payment.

8. Planning –see start of meeting.

9. Reports from Representatives.---none.

10. Correspondence.

a. Closure of Balder Bridge—Sunday 16th May 2014 for one day.

b. Letter received from Jill Hedley re comments made regarding affordable housing "South of the Close" circulate to cllrs.

Clerk to reply.

c. Letter from Laura Hall –donation re her work trip abroad teaching young children.

Clerk to write, all our grant funds money has been allocated for this year.

d. Letter from the Village Hall Com -re help with insurance coats for the Defibulater. It was agreed that all cllrs have a think /consider with reply April meeting.

11. Neighbourhood Plan—Nothing.

12. A O B –

1, Drainage outside West Park-not working—drain not been connected to existing gutter—van seen driving past—no other contact.

2. J W . –Trees outside Hagg House –concerns re height /stability –write to Dr Robertson for his views on the matter.

3. Formally write again to T P O Trees at the Church—copy to Carol Lynne.

4. Jubilee Mugs—12 left hand out to new arrivals (babies).

5. Date of next meeting April 9th 2014.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed –Dated.

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