

LINGWOOD & BURLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held at the Lingwood Methodist Chapel, Chapel Road,
Lingwood on Tuesday 4th November 2014 at 7.30pm.

Present were: Ben Bethell – Chairperson, Marina Tubby – Vice Chair, Mike Bredbere, Cliff Fountain, Tony Gould, Brenda Jones, and Sonya Dickinson – Clerk.

14/131. Welcome & apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Ian Chapman, Krisy Little, Giles Mack, Richard Morton and Ian White.

14/132. Declarations of interest: Ben Bethell 14/139. Finance a) iv).

14/133. Public Forum: We were joined by 5 members of the public along with District Councillor David Ward and County Councillor Brian Iles.

David mentioned; the Network Rail enquiry as to why the train went through the barriers, the Road is now open and safety measures are in place. David Ward and Brian Iles are meeting with the lady that is carrying out the risk assessment and the assessment on the new future gates, Ben will also attend the meeting 10am, Thurs 13th November at the crossings. The latest date for new barriers was to be October 2015 but they may now want to implement them as soon as possible.

There is a new anti social behaviour criminal act coming out which gives more powers to Councils, housing authorities and the Police.

Q. what about people parking on the path obstructing its use? A. There is not anything in the document specifically about it.

Neighbourhood planning – Acle has completed their plan now.

Brian; thanked Ben for informing him about the Railway Gate accident, what's concerning is that they don't know how it happened. We will have to know that any new system that gets put in must be "fool proof".

The Chapel Road gates were opened for the train, why weren't the Station Road ones?

At County the Budget is being discussed, Committees are setting their budget. Brian is on the EDT Committee which among other things mostly deals with Highways. Officers came back from the meeting saying the savings should come out of Highways; Brian is against doing this as Highways are important to everyone.

Ben thanked David and Brian.

Mrs Simpson said it is coming up to the time of moving the tree on the green if it is to be moved. The last discussion was that perhaps it should be kept trimmed so it does not get too large rather than moved. The view of the tree warden Ernest Hoyos was to keep it trimmed. Councillors should meet and walk around the trees and look at what needs replacing.

A tree on the orchard on the Clarkson Triangle has died due to CGM strimming it.

Maureen asked if any movement on the planter for the green. Herbie is to come back to Sonya ref the fixings that may need installing at manufacture before Sonya can finalise the order. Ben said Herbie had mentioned a view but Sonya should contact him again to ask him.

14/134. Minutes of the meeting 7th October 2014: Were signed as a true record.

14/135. Matters arising from 7th October 2014 Meeting: None. Ben mentioned the Village Hall is under way. The clerk mentioned the build of the Village Hall and the new Persimmon Homes are creating a lot of mud on the Road and there had been a complaint, Ben said they are usually good but he will have a word with both contractors about clearing it up.

14/136. Correspondence: A letter was received from Mrs Britt requesting the bench she placed at the Cemetery be treated or returned to her. This has been an ongoing complaint and should have been resolved by now. The 'Handyman' was asked to do it in 2011 and again in 2012 but did not do it as he was too busy and then forgot, he was reminded but it never got done. Herbie was asked about the fence repairs, which have been done. Treatment of the gates, Lych gate and fence are about to be done so the bench could be added to this schedule of works. The other two benches on the Cemetery look as if they've been done but should also be added to the schedule of works.

14/137. Action Log: Ben is going into the School ref the time capsule.

The Sundial is to go ahead; the beacon attachment is to be installed then David is to be contacted so he can come and work out where the ground markers go for a work party to install.

The land swap agreement has been signed and the Solicitors have been asked if they can carry the work out, still to hear back from them.

Tree sponsor certificates will be done once the certificate paper has been received.

Bins and planters are being ordered once the fixings to be ordered have been agreed with Herbie.

Telegraph pole on footway on Station Road, nothing can be done, Brian Iles said he would ask about it.

Avondale grass area to be cleared – This was not done in time for bonfire night, Ask Kevin Monsey to quote.

The bin post has been replaced on Station Road, inform Broadland the bin can be put back.

14/138. Highways: The pot holes on New Road have been reported and Highways are looking at them this week.

14/139. Finance: a) Authority to Pay was given for: i) CGM Sept Millennium Green Grass cutting £128.71 + VAT, Verges £167.14 + VAT **Decision:** Pay when cut once more.

ii) Norfolk County Council Allotment Rent £130 and Burlingham Green Rent £25 = £155. (Chq No. 868).

iii) K. Monsey, Sept Cemetery Grass £144.00 (Chq No. 200).

iv) Ben Bethell – Reimburse payment for Colman Print, Newsletters. £99. (Chq No. 866).

v) Anglian Water – Allotments £109.09 (Chq No. 867).

vi) Beighton Builders – Reading Room renovations. Invoice not yet received.

b) Cemetery Fees. **Decision:** It was resolved that the fees be raised by £5 on the Burial Exclusive rights and Interment and £2 on the other fees.

c) Grass tender; to discuss any alterations prior to sending out. **Decision:** It was resolved that two tender forms be sent out for the Millennium Green, one asking for weekly cuts from March to end Sept then fortnightly to end of November, to be billed monthly by the amount of cuts carried out. The other option is to cut as per last year's tender document. In future the tender documents do not need to be sent out annually if the Council is happy with the contractor and the fees do not increase above inflation.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.20 – Next meeting Tues 2nd December 2014.