

BICKER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14th September 2017 at the Methodist Church Hall.

PUBLIC FORUM

Planning applications had been lodged with Boston Borough Council for the cable route for Viking Link. Objections requested to be put forward from the Council:
Roads around Bicker not suitable and construction vehicles must not use. Must emphasize the necessity for the access route for all construction traffic to be completed first and some form of enforcement be in place. Imperative that construction traffic does not enter Bicker as with the wind farm.

Present Cllr Barnes
 Cllr Adshead
 Cllr Benjamin
 Cllr Carrott
 Cllr Chapman
 County Councillor Brookes
 & 2 members of the public.

APOLOGIES - were received and accepted from Cllrs Kelly and Pell and Borough Cllrs Cooper and Spencer.

POLICE REPORT – no presence no report

NOTES OF LAST MEETING – Were signed as a true copy, to become minutes.
Proposed Cllr Carrott seconded Cllr Benjamin.

TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM CLERK.

Barge Boards had been reported. Contacted BBC regarding 3G survey but no response.

TO DISCUSS PLAYING FIELD

Various complaints received over the last few weeks regarding noise and ball nuisance from the park. Parish Council not happy to have park lock as could cause confrontations and the problems are often during the day when the park would be open anyway. The reason for the constant balls in garden is a tree has been felled and there is a significant gap in line with the relevant property. Suggestions netting be installed above the existing fence. Clerk to obtain quotations for next meeting.

SUBSTATION UPDATE

Nothing further from public forum comments

ALLOTMENT UPDATE

Progress being made, stones purchased, water butts to be moved before work continues. Clerk received a request to take on the 14 empty allotments. Had requested results from 3GS visit in village but received no reply as yet. One allotment appears to have been laid to grass. Clerk to ascertain who and why.

FINANCE REPORT - £20694.77

Clerk reported that the Methodist chapel for room hire, and St Swithuns clock had not had annual donations since December 2015 and need to be paid the arrears. Precept for this so it was proposed Coun Carrott seconded Coun Benjamin to pay these amounts and to make note for these to be paid at the beginning of the financial year.

MEMBERS REPORTS –

Coun Benjamin – not happy with standard of maintenance contractor. Areas not being cut regularly and bushes in cemetery require cutting back. Clerk to write to Mr Dawson. Tender for next year.

Coun Carrott – Mill Lane water. Clerk to request Highways to inspect. Direction sign for Mill Lane

CORRESPONDENCE -

Planning – B17/0307 Development of 14 houses off Milkinghill Lane. Coun Chapman declared an interest and left the meeting. It was agreed as per the first development in Milkinghill Lane that this was an over development of the site and used up most of the allocation of the local plan.