

## **BICKER PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at the Methodist Church Hall.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Members of the public wishing the Parish Council to object to the change of use for the warehouse in Lowgate Lane. Fencing is very high and offensive, entrance gateway is to be set back and residents are unsure there is sufficient area for HGV vehicles to turn in yard without having to reverse onto Lowgate Lane. Parish Council agreed to make representation.

**Present**            Cllr Barnes  
                         Cllr Adshead  
                         Cllr Kelly  
                         Cllr Pell  
                         Borough Cllr Cooper  
                         County Councillor Brookes  
                         & 6 members of the public.

**APOLOGIES** - were received and accepted from Cllrs Benjamin, Carrott and Chapman.

**POLICE REPORT** – nothing received.

**NOTES OF LAST MEETING** – Were signed as a true copy, to become minutes.  
Proposed Cllr Adshead seconded Coun Kelly.

### **TO DISCUSS FUTURE OF FOOTWAY LIGHTING**

After much discussion it was proposed Coun Kelly, seconded Coun Pell that Parish Council Accept responsibility for cost of running footway lighting, but not prepared to make financial arrangements for replacements. Will deal with on an as and when required. Boston Borough Council to be made aware that this has been agreed under protest. Coun Adshead against proposals. Coun Brookes confirmed no further commitments would be passed to Parish Council for four years.

### **TO DISCUSS DONATION FOR REMEMBRANCE WREATH**

Proposed Coun Pell, seconded Coun Kelly £25.00 be donated as previous years.

### **TO DISCUSS INSURANCE RENEWAL**

Clerk distributed comparisons from 3 companies, all the same spec Hiscox was significantly smaller premium, proposed Coun Pell seconded Coun Kelly

### **SUBSTATION UPDATE**

Phase II response had been submitted.

### **ALLOTMENT UPDATE**

Chairman of Allotment committee has left the village, not sure who has taken over.

## FINANCE REPORT

COUNCIL PAYMENT AUTHORISED APRIL			
	WAGES + EXP BT ETC	CLERK	380.00

Approve payments

Prop Cllr Pell seconded Cllr Kelly

### MEMBERS REPORTS –

Coun Pell - cemetery very untidy, even after a cut memorials covered in grass cuttings and cemetery doesn't still look as if it has been cut.

Car for sale on junction of A52 and Red Lion Street, grass therefore cannot be cut. Clerk to ascertain owner.

Coun Adshead - slip matting on bridge at cemetery. Clerk to ascertain an update.

### CORRESPONDENCE -

Thank you letter from Methodist Church for donation of half funds from Lancaster Day

Best Kept Village Competition – Swineshead were runners up

BBC – confirmation that Council Tax Support Grant for 2017/18 will be the last received £290.43. £580.87 this year.

### PLANNING

Applications received B/16/0347 – change of use from storage and distribution of agricultural to floor and wall tiles, Lowgate Lane.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Thursday 10th November 2016.

Meeting closed at 7.40p.m.