

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEEDS PARISH COUNCIL
Held in the Leeds Playing Field Pavillion on Tuesday 11th October 2011 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mr Cutler
Mrs Fort
Mr Wallace
Mrs Young

In attendance: Mrs Sherrie Babington – Clerk and members of the public.

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Fort.

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Councillors Govett and Martin, KCC Councillor Cooke and MBC Ward Councillor Parvin.

2. Declaration of Interests.

No interests were declared.

3. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were circulated to all present. These were then proposed by Councillor Young seconded by Councillor Cutler and agreed by all present.

5. Matters Arising.

It was noted that to date there had been no decision from MBC regarding the planning application for 1 Lower Street, Leeds.

6. Parish Councillor Vacancy.

The Clerk informed members that the notices for the vacancy had been displayed in accordance with the regulations.

7. Police Report.

There was no police attendance at the meeting. The Clerk was asked to make contact with the police to seek crime reports for the meetings should a police officer or a PCSO be unable to attend.

Action: Clerk to action.

8. Parish Council Website.

Alan James gave his apologies to the meeting and sent a written report in his absence. This was noted by members.

The Clerk was asked to liaise with Alan James regarding the ownership of the domain name.

Action: Clerk to progress.

9. MBC Borough Councillor Report.

Borough Councillor Peter Parvin gave his apologies to the meeting.

10. KCC Councillors Report.

KCC Councillor Gary Cooke gave his apologies to the meeting.

11. Correspondence.

The Clerk reported on the correspondence received during the course of the month.

12. Planning Matters.**New Applications Received**

None

MBC Decisions**11/0984 KENT HOUSE, UPPER STREET, LEEDS, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 1SJ**

Amendments to MA/10/1229 (Erection Leeds of a part two storey, part first floor side extension, single storey side and rear extensions and introduction of a pitched roof to an existing side extension) to include conversion of garage into living room.

Approved/Granted with Conditions

13. Financial Matters.**a. Financial Statement.**

The financial statements for the Parish Council and Playing Field Accounts was presented to Councillors.

The Parish Council insertion in the village magazine was discussed by members. Councillor Fort reported on the finances of this and the agreement reached with the PCC to ensure that all villagers received a copy of the magazine. This was accepted by all members and it was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council would continue to support the Village Magazine.

b. 2012/2013 Budget.

Councillor Fort reported that an informal meeting had taken place to discuss the draft budget for 2012/2013. She stated that the next stage was to consult with the village regarding the budget; she therefore proposed that an open morning should be held in the village hall on a Saturday morning in November from 10am to 12noon. This was agreed by all present and the Clerk was asked to book the village hall.

It was also agreed that a flyer should be delivered to all households in the village.

Action: Clerk to progress.

14. Leeds Playing Field & Pavillion.

Councillor Young reported on matters concerning the Pavillion.

It was reported that she and Councillor Martin were due to meet with the contractor for the pavillion works when Councillor Martin returned from his holiday.

Height Barrier – The cost of the height barrier was circulated to members and it was agreed that this should be ordered as soon as Councillor Young had confirmed the size required.

Action: Councillor Young and Clerk to progress.

Signage – The Clerk was asked to progress with the wording for the signage.

Action: Clerk to progress.

Members gave delegated authority for Councillor Young to progress with the outside light for the pavillion.

Action: Councillor Young to progress.

15. Queens Diamond Jubilee.

It was agreed that this should be a matter for discussion at the Parish Council's Open Day in November.

This was agreed by all present.

16. Highway Matters.

The Chairman informed the meeting that Councillor Cooke had sent a report stating that all planned highways projects were still progressing as planned.

a) Village Gates.

No further matters were raised.

b) Road Safety Improvements at School.

No further matters were raised.

c) General Matters.

The Chairman spoke regarding the village maintenance to be undertaken by KCC and asked the Clerk to liaise with Councillor Cooke to establish when the task force would be in Leeds.

Action: Clerk to progress.

17. Joint Parish Group & LDF.

Councillor Fort reported on this matter.

It was agreed that the Clerk should draft a response to the Core Strategy in addition to the JPG response and circulate to all members for approval before submitting to MBC.

Action: Clerk to action.

18. Further questions from public.

No matters were raised.

19. Urgent Matters.

No matters were raised.

20. Date of next Parish Council Meeting.

Tuesday 8th November 2011.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.25pm.

Signed _____

Dated _____