

12. PLANNING MINUTES PM 11/2014

Due to the changeover of planning committees on 1st November the minutes of the planning meeting held on 16th October 2014 had come to the full council for approval. Having been circulated to all members the minutes were taken as read. Cllr Hugo proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

13. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS 2015 –2018

Two three-year Grounds Maintenance Contracts will be put in place on 1st April 2015, one main contract and one for grass cutting and strimming at Fairchild's Meadows and Wayman's Pits. Three tenders had been received and after careful consideration of the analysis put forward it was agreed that both contracts should be awarded to K Fergusons Ltd. Cllr P Wilson proposed and Cllr Parr seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Council wished to thank Cllr Lyon for his hard work in analysing and presenting the tenders for consideration.

14. MATTERS TO REPORT

Cllr Hugo thanked the Council for arranging to have the brambles cut back along the Aldreth to Haddenham footpath.

Community Transport will be one of the issues discussed at the Aldreth Community Association meeting mentioned earlier.

Cllr Bayes offered his services to help with the proposed refurbishment of the Pavilion.

Cllrs Wilson would meet with Ely Soham Dial-a-Ride during the next week.

Cllr Goddard was pleased to advise that the Bonfire Committee had been re-formed with a lot of new people wishing to be involved. A meeting will be held after Christmas and the committee will be looking for sponsors.

WISER will hold another electrical recycling event in the parish on Tuesday 24th February 2015.

Lucy Frazer, the Conservative candidate, will attend the January meeting to introduce herself to the Council. It was agreed that if other candidates wish to attend a meeting to introduce themselves they would also be welcome to do so.

The Clerk advised that a large pine tree to the front of 29a Duck Lane would be felled and removed during the coming week due to stability issues. The Tree Officer had inspected the tree and was satisfied that this was the only course of action to make it safe.

The Parish Council office will be closed from Tuesday 23rd December to Friday 2nd January, inclusive and re-open on Monday 5th January. An ansafone will be in operation for emergencies.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st January 2015 at 7.30pm at the Arkenstall Village Centre, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.

There being no further business Cllr Lyon wished everyone a very Happy Christmas and New Year and closed the meeting at 9.20pm.

D. G. Lyon
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