

**MINUTES of a meeting of Little Downham Parish Council held in the Village Hall,
Main Street, Little Downham, on Thursday, 14th May 2015 commencing at 7.47pm.**

Councillors present: MM Oldfield, in the chair, and DA Adams-Payne, JW Barker, CE Hall, LEA Joel, RS Martin, BL Taylor, GH Taylor, J Waters and KO Winters. **Clerk:** Mrs J Wardle

In attendance: None

9/15 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Dist. Cllrs A Bailey, M Bradley and County Cllr P Read.

10/15 **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

1. **Cllr RS Martin** declared a personal interest in item 12/15.1.1 (Application 15/00305/FUL) because the applicant is a friend (Declaration 011-2015).

11/15 **PUBLIC FORUM** – No comments

12/15 **PLANNING MATTERS**

- 1.1 **15/00305/FUL** Mr Bruce Smith, Stoney Hoof Farm, High Road, Lt Downham – Remove existing barn and construct new barn - **Resolved** that the Parish Council had no concerns.
- 1.2 **15/00328/FUL** Mr P Read & Miss P Hobson, Tawny Cottage, Hundred Foot Bank, Pymoor – Quadruple garage - **Resolved** that the Parish Council had no concerns.
- 1.3 **15/00416/FUL** Mr S Packman, 17 Second Drove, Lt Downham – Proposed stable block - **Resolved** that the Parish Council had no concerns.
- 1.4 **For information only:**
ECDC Applications approved: 14/01416/FUL,

13/15 **FINANCE**

1. **To approve bills and other items for payment** - Proposed by Cllr GH Taylor and seconded by Cllr MM Oldfield.
Resolved unanimously to approve list of payments for cheque no. 001058, Direct Debits and BACS payments 312 to 319 for the total sum of £4796.29.

14/15 **PARISH COUNCIL LAND AND ASSETS**

1. **Permission for use of Pymoor Recreation Ground:**
 - 1.1 **E Harvey** – 14 June 2015 – Bouncy Castle – Permission granted.
 - 1.2 **A Roberts** - 4 July 2015 – 2 medium sized marquees/big gazebos, 1 medium bouncy castle and a baby bouncy castle. Fish & Chip van and Ice Cream van on car park – Permission granted.
Resolved unanimously to grant permission as requested and stipulate that the following conditions would apply:
 - that they will carry out inspections of the field where the bouncy castle and marquees are to be sited and around when set up to ensure that there are no harmful objects on the ground;
 - that the bouncy castle will have insurance that indemnifies the Council against any accidents and a copy of the insurance certificate is received by the Parish Council before the day of the event, and;
 - that any damage to the recreation field and/or car park is made good as soon as possible thereafter.

15/15 **HIGHWAYS**

1. **Lt Downham Main Street road resurfacing – Pond Lane junction** – CCC Highways proposed to lay Gripfibre on the whole length of Main Street, Lt Downham, and to extend the hatchings at Pond Lane junction. It will look a mess for a few months until it settles in. The road will be closed and work will be done in sections to limit inconvenience. Controlled access will be available for local residents and businesses only. Work will commence at end of May. The Council had no concerns.
2. **Matters of concern:**
 - 2.1 **Beild Drove, Lt Downham** – Request that potholes be filled.
 - 2.2 **Townsend and Main Street Junction** – new street light column appears to be loose.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.53pm.

Signed (Chairman) Date