

Maxey Parish Council

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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting
held in the Back Room of the Village Hall
at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 22nd February 2005

Present: Cllr Hickling(Chairman)
Cllr Poole,
Cllr Purllant,
Cllr Perkins
Cllr Johnson
Cllr Bagworth
Cllr Newbold
The Clerk,

The Clerk declared the meeting open at 7.35pm.

1. Apologies for absence.
None.
2. Minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting.
A draft had been copied to all Councillors and displayed prior to the meeting. The meeting was agreed that the Minutes subject to an amendment should be adopted and the Chairman signed the Record Copy.
3. Matters Arising.
The Chairman welcomed Cllr Newbold to council following her election to fill the vacancy.
4. Planning
 - 4.1. Outstanding Applications update. The members had been advised of the current situation on the outstanding planning applications. The councillors expressed concern that the application for Wistaria Farm had not been concluded. The clerk was asked to write to PCC to have the status of this application verified.
 - 4.2 New Applications There were no new applications.
 - 4.3 Village Design Statement/Village Plan.
It was agreed that the Clerk would consult with local councils and report back at the April meeting on ;-
 - The difficulty and costs involved in producing a Design Statement
 - The subsequent value of a Statement.

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5 Matters for Discussion

5.1 Traffic Matters.

5.1.1 High St/King St. The Clerk advised that the work was now complete. Councillors reported that a number of villagers had questioned the new layout of the fence and hedge. The major concern is that as the hedge has been double planted it could grow to a width that would be the same as the original hedge. The Clerk was instructed to convey this concern to PCC.

5.2 Neighbourhood Watch.

The Chairman reported that two meetings had been held and that there was now a full complement of local coordinators. A meeting of the local coordinators will be held in March to further discuss methods of communication. Liaison with PC Williams to continue. The meeting noted the number of car crimes in the area since December and the efforts being made by the police to deal with it.

5.3 Village Hall/ Village Event.

Cllr Bagworth reported on the proposed modifications to the toilets in the Village Hall. He also gave details of the programme of planned events including the possibility of a Fun Day to be held in conjunction with the Bluebell Charity on the village green.

5.4 Village Sign..

Clerk to progress the refurbishment

5.5 Anti Social Behaviour

It was agreed that the level of antisocial behaviour had fallen. It was agreed that the situation needs to be monitored, particularly as the weather improves.

6 Correspondence.

None

7 Financial

7.1 Payment to Clerk. Cheque signed

7.2 Payment to PCC. Cheque signed

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8 Other matters.

8.1 Village profile. At a previous meeting it had been agreed that it would be good for the village if The Stamford Mercury and other local papers had articles about Maxey in them. The Clerk replied that he had not contributed because there had been nothing of great interest of late. It was therefore agreed that the Clerk should discuss this subject with the committee of the Maxey Newsletter.

8.2 Photograph for Website

Cllr Bagworth suggested that it would raise awareness of the Parish Council if the village website had a photograph of the councillors. The Clerk to discuss with Ian Duncan.

8.3 Green Bins

Cllr Johnson asked whether it would be possible to have the green bins emptied weekly rather than fortnightly. The Clerk to make enquiries.

8.4 Patients Participation

Cllr Purllant stated that this organisation was in danger of folding and asked the council whether it felt that it was worthwhile to continue. The council agreed that Cllr Purllant should report back that Patients Participation had the full backing of MPC.

9 Date of the next meeting was agreed as Tuesday 22nd March