

Thursday 12th. May 2016

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 12th May 2016 at Pointon Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Lambert, R. Greenwood, J. Sharples, L. Day

In attendance: members of the public 6

1. **Receive** Apologies for Absence
Apologies received from Cllr D Wells, Cllr W Gent, and Cllr. A. Davis – apologies accepted
Apologies received from Cllr. Martin Hill
2. **Receive** the Notes of Annual Parish Meeting held 14th May 2015 to **approve** as the Minutes.
Clerks Notes **received and approved** as Minutes
3. **Receive** Annual Report of the Chairman of the Parish Council – Cllr Chris Lambert.
Cllr Lambert delivered his annual Chairmans report. **Report to be published in Parish Matters.**
4. **Receive** Presentations by Representatives of Parochial Organisations
None recieved
5. **Receive** the Parish Council's Financial Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2016– Parish Clerk
The Parish Clerk presented the Paish Council's Financial Statement for the Year Endng 31 March 2016. There were no questions raised.
6. **Forum** on the Parish Council's performance and future directions for the Parish.
Questions/comments were raised from the floor including:
 - Could the Parish Council offer an explanation of why Village Deeds were purchased for £300. Comments received included that this seemed a lot of money when other issues were more pressing (e.g. traffic calming measures); What benefit are the Deeds to the Parish?; Can the Deeds be made available?;
Cllr Lmbert answered the comments and questions raised by explaining that the subject of purchasing the Deeds was discussed at two Parish Council meetings prior to a decision being made through proper vote. Cllr Lambert stated that the Parish Council felt that the Deeds were an important part of the Parishes' heritage. It was noted hat the Deeds had been on display at a Parish Council meeting and were currently drying/flattening on the Parish Clerks spare bed. Cllr Lambert stated that the deeds would be archived into a digital format and made available to the public. It was suggested that CDs could be produced and sold to re-coup the cost of purchase.
 - Publication of Parish Council meeting Agendas – Parish Clerk to ensure Agendas are displayed on the Parish Council noticeborad 3 clear working days prior to each Parish Council meeting to meet current legislation
 - Spraying of the Playng Field – information was requested about who would be carrying out the work as mentioned in Parish Matters. Cllr Greenwood confrimed that Robert Grant from Truegreen would be carrying out the work (who has advertised locally) Truegreen has recently advertised throughout the locality via direct mail
 - Pointon Community Playing Field – who are the organisation currently responsible for the maintenance of the Playing Field – comments/questions were raised about the organisation. It was confrimed that this was a separate organistaion from the Parish Council. The Parish Council monitor the maintenance.
 - Parish Council budget decisions – questions/comments were raised regarding the Parish Council budget and specifically that the Precept is decided in January each year with the budget being set in March. Cllr Lambert stated that the Precept for 2016/17 was decided as part of a two year plan last year.
 - It was suggested that there was a lack of transparency and that the Parish Council were conducting business *'not for the benefit of the Parish'*

Cllr Lambert stated that the Parish Council carries out its business to the best of its ability at all times.

- A request was made for more information relating to the Good Neighbour scheme – Cllr Lambert (as Chair of the Linkwell scheme) gave an update and explained that a donation had been made from the Parish Council towards initial set up costs. Cllr Lambert stated that so far 30 volunteers had come forward. Regular updates have been, and will be, printed in Parish Matters
- Gate at the restricted Byway on the edge of Pointon – an email has been received from Cllr Hill (LCC)
- Black Sluice – Cllr Lambert summarised the recent consultation and position with regard to the Sluice and pumps. (there were originally five pumps, now one remains). Cllr Lambert stated that this is adequate to take the water at the moment. It was acknowledged that flooding potentially occurs once every 10-25 years.
- High Street property (3a) – a resident reported that extremely large rats ('the size of cats') had been present at the property and nearby. The resident also stated that several hundred birds had been removed from the loft area of the building. It was rumoured that the recent sale had fallen through. **Parish Clerk agreed to obtain an update from SKDC/Cllr Moseley prior to the next Parish Council meeting**
- Planning for No6 Pointon Fen – a parishioner reported that comments had been received by SKDC from the Parish Council regarding this application and that no record was evident in the minutes – Cllr Lambert confirmed that no planning application had been considered for this property recently.
- Comments regarding the performance of the PCPF were voiced. Particularly that debris from tree cutting has remained on the field. A parishioner reminded the Council that Fly Tipping was an offence. It was suggested that it would be wise to seek professional guidance for works to the Playing Field. It was also pointed out that ash remained on the Field from the Queens 90th Birthday Beacon. Cllr Greenwood suggested that the parishioner may like to offer their services to help clear the area as the event was volunteer led and delivered.
- Cleaning of the play equipment – it was suggested that the play equipment was in a 'sorry state'. A parishioner gave their opinion that the use of volunteers for cleaning and maintaining the equipment was not always the best option. Another parishioner stated that in their opinion it was wrong to criticise the work of volunteers.

A parishioner stated that they were in their rights to ask questions of the Parish Council.

- A parishioner questioned why two 'derelict' cars had been parked on Parish Council land adjacent to the Social Club. Cllr Greenwood correctly stated that the land in question was not Parish Council property and was in fact owned by the resident at No. 21 Fen Road. This was again disputed by the parishioner but again confirmed that the land is owned by the resident of No 21. As an aside, the cars had been removed a number of weeks ago.
- Cllr Greenwood asked why two parishioners were questioning the Parish Council in such a vigorous manner at this meeting, which appeared to be somewhat of a 'vendetta'.
- It was stressed that all Parishioners are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings and have a say in the matters of the Council

There being no further comments/questions or business, the meeting closed at 8.40pm

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
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POINTON & SEMPR NGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

ST ANDREW'S
SEMPRINGHAM

Thursday 28th July 2016 at Pointon Sports and Social Club. 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs C. Lambert (Chairman), R Greenwood (Vice Chair), J. Sharples,
L. Day, A. Davis.

In Attendance: Wendy Moore (Clerk), Cllr P. Moseley (SKDC)

Members of public 6

1 The Chairman invited Questions from the Public prior to opening the meeting.

Dog fouling and general behaviours through the parish. A member of the public commented that dog fouling was a problem on pavements throughout Pointon in particular. It was commented that dogs should be kept under control at all times and that all fouling should be picked up. Unfortunately it was considered that a small number of dog owners were not adhering to these principles and the Parish Council urged them to do so with immediate effect. It was suggested that more stickers be obtained to put up around the parish and that the Parish Council write to known 'offenders'.

2 Receive apologies for absence and reasons given.

Apologies received from a member of the public who had hoped to be present but was unable

3 Receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, and NALC Code of Conduct 2012, DPI forms

Cllr Greenwood for Item 11

4 Minutes of meetings

Receive Clerk's Notes of Meeting held Thursday 12th May 2016 (*circulated*) to **approve** as the Minutes

Minutes received and approved. Signed by Chair

5 Parish Council Vacancies

Cllr Day proposed Mr Austin Scarfe to be a Parish Councillor, seconded by Cllr Sharples
Cllr Greenwood proposed Mrs Corinne Ramm to be a Parish Councillor, seconded by Cllr Lambert

Cllr Lambert welcomed both Cllrs Scarfe and Ramm to the Council

6 Receive reports from Outside Bodies, the Clerk and Councillors including any matters relating to:

Police – none received

County – none received

District – Cllr Moseley reported that it was good news that the long awaited amendments to the new House on the High Street now seemed to be happening.

It was noted that the Old Ship had recently been sold and the application for Change of Use earlier this year had been refused.

Cllr Moseley requested a representative be nominated to attend the Neighbourhood Plan meeting previously attended by Cllr Wells (retrd). Cllr Ramm expressed an interest in this area.

It was noted that the new Cinema complex planned for Grantham is now taking shape and building works would begin soon.

Cllr Moseley agreed to follow up on the condition of the pathway between Pointon and Billingborough. It was noted that the Parish Clerk is reporting this on a regular basis as the pathway is used frequently and is becoming impassable in places.

It was noted that straw on roads and in drains is a common problem at this time of the year and Cllr Moseley reported that this was attended to by the District Council a minimum of twice each year. Parish Clerk agreed to publish detail of useful numbers in the Parish magazine.

Cllr Moseley was again asked about the parking situation along the High Street in Pointon, it was reported that at times there is not enough room for large vehicles to pass through the parking. Cllr Moseley agreed to ask at SKDC if anything can be resolved.

Cllr Moseley left the meeting

Parish – correspondence has been received from a parishioner about the condition of a garden in the Parish. Apparently this is now the responsibility of the District Council and the matter is being followed up.

It was noted that there had recently been an incident in the Parish with smoke due to burning of straw bales. Residents were concerned about health risks and it was noted that the authorities were following up complaints received at the time and an investigation was underway

Playing Field – It was noted that playing Field is looking in very good condition. This due to hard work of the PCPF and many volunteers giving their time and energies. The field has been treated for weeds effectively.

Village Hall – Nothing received. Cllr Ramm asked when the Village Hall AGM was due to be held. It was noted that the Village Hall is a completely separate organisation from the Parish Council with their own Governance arrangements in place, and should anyone have any questions they should contact a member of the Village Hall Committee

7 Planning

S16/1184 Cobsthorne Farm, Millthorpe Drove, nr. Pointon Conversion and extension to barn

Notice of Refusal of Permission

S15/1544/FULL/PC1 Land and building adj. 3 High Street. Pointon. Retain and alter an existing unauthorised dwelling including demolition of garage – inc. Development Control Meeting at SKDC 18th August 2015.

Update on actions and related matters – see item above (6c)

8 Finance:

The Council approved the following bills for payment:

W.E.Moore – Salary £312.41 June/July 2016

HMRC £73.60 June/July 2016

Emilie Hart £20.00 Parish Matters June/July 2016

PCPF £200.00 Field Maintenance June/July 2016

Viking Direct £58.13 Stationery

Tower Mint £486.60 QE11 Commemorative Medals

Comm. Lincs £273.24 PC Insurance

Pointon Sports & Soc. Club £180.00 Donation

The Council noted the following receipts:

Bank Interest £0.26 May 2016 Interest

Bank Interest £0.29 June 2016 Interest

Bank Interest £0.30 July 2016 Interest

Pointon FC £120.00 May 2016

Pointon FC £240.00 June/July 2016

D. Wells £25.00 PM advertising

*St Gilberts Kindergarten (WM) £50.00 PM advertising

Carma Plumbing £50.00 PM advertising

SCS £25.00 PM advertising

*(above) see item 21 below

The Council reviewed and agreed the Financial Statement

The Council received the RFO's financial report and financial projection for 2016/17 and agreed to make no amendments to this year's budget at this time

The Council reviewed the budget

Purchase of Arnold Baker book – the Parish Clerk requested that a new edition of the book be purchased. The current (sixth edition) has been updated and the new (tenth edition) is now available. Following a vote it was unanimous amongst Councillors and members of the Public that the book be purchased.

9 Football Club Fees for 2016/17 season

Cllr Greenwood reported that there were now 2 of each junior and senior teams playing in Pointon.

Following discussion it was agreed that the fees would remain at the same level for the coming season. Parish Clerk

agreed to send an Invoice to the Treasurer. Cllr Greenwood proposed, Cllr Lambert seconded the motion.

10 Playing Field – by law

Following lengthy discussion both at the start of the meeting, and at previous meetings, consideration was given and information reviewed regarding the introduction of a bylaw banning the entrance of dogs to the playing field. This was due to the mess which is being left by dogs around the field. It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to known dog owners who do not clear after their dogs. The matter was voted on and the majority vote was to postpone a decision about the bylaw. It was agreed that this matter again be placed on the Agenda for the meeting in September.

11 Business Rates for Sports & Social Club/Playing Field - Update from East Midlands Valuation Office

Following lengthy investigation from the Parish Clerk regarding this matter and as discussed at the previous meeting the Parish Clerk had recently had a meeting with a representative from the East Midlands Valuation Office to discuss the separation of the Field and the premises from each other for the purposes of the Business rates billing. The Valuation have confirmed that the field would be removed from the Social Club Business Rates bill and that the Field was not subject to Business Rates whilst it offers unrestricted access to members of the public at all times.

12 Installation of gate at west side of Pointon at Restricted Byway

The Parish Clerk reported that no further update had been received from Cllr M Hill (LCC) and agreed to follow up with LCC Highways Dept and Cllr Hill

13 Update on issues reported from around the Parish, and from Parishioners:

Footpaths between Pointon and Sempringham and High Street – playing field, High Street – Queensway/Pinfold Lane – as discussed above, Parish Clerk to report

Drain cover at Queensway – Parish Clerk to report again

Chapel Lane Bridge – Cllr Lambert updated the Council stating that the works have now been completed

Cllr Davis reported that the street light outside 33a Queensway was on continually – Parish Clerk agreed to report

14 Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel

Cllr Greenwood reported that the most recent meeting had been cancelled and that the next meeting was due to be held in September.

15 Play equipment

ROSPA Play Area Inspection – August 2016 – it was noted that the annual inspection would take place in August 2016

Playing field tidy day – it was agreed that the Parish Councillors would attend a ‘Tidy’ day on Sunday 7th August to tidy the areas in preparation for the inspection

Regular review of condition of Play equipment and recording of inspections – see above

Surfacing to play areas – to be added to Agenda for September meeting

Installation of Tap and Electricity point – discussion took place about the feasibility and cost of installing and it was agreed that alternatives would be researched by Cllr Greenwood and that this would be an Agenda item at the September meeting

16 Linkwell Good Neighbour Scheme – update

Cllr Lambert was able to give an update on progress of the Scheme. Cllr Lambert reported that progress was on going and that they were awaiting DBS checks for volunteers.

17 Electoral Review of Lincolnshire – Consultation

Consultation documents received and Cllr discussion took place.

18 Devolution for Greater Lincolnshire – Consultation

Consultation documents received and Cllr discussion took place

19 South East Lincolnshire Local Plan Consultation

Consultation documents received and Cllr discussion took place

20 Aveland Neighbourhood Plan – update

As discussed above at item 6

21 Parish Matters – August edition

It was agreed that the two new Councillors would write a short paragraph for the magazine as an introduction

*(above) It was reported that a cheque had been received by the Parish Clerk from St Gilberts Kindergarten as above.

The cheque had been made out to the Clerk and had been paid into her personal account, and then transferred into the Parish Council account.

22 Agree dates of Meetings

Next Meeting:

Thursday 22nd September 2016. 7.30pm. Pointon Sports and Social Club.

Subsequent Meetings schedule:

Every 4th Thursday of odd-numbered months, unless otherwise agreed by the Council

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.50pm.



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POINTON & SEMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting to be held on

Thursday 22nd September 2016 at Pointon Sports and Social Club, 8.30pm.

Present: R Greenwood (Vice Chair), J. Sharples, L. Day, A. Scarfe, C. Ramm

In Attendance: Wendy Moore (Clerk), PCSO Sandra Bromell

Members of public 7

1 The Chairman invited Questions from the Public prior to opening the meeting.

A parishioner reported the condition of a wall along West Road. The wall and adjoining field is apparently Crown owned.

Parish Clerk agreed to write a letter to the appropriate tenant

The Parish Council welcomed the new tenants of the Old Ship Inn – Chris and Sally. The pub is hoping to reopen in early October. For all enquiries please call 01529 240732

It was noted that in certain areas the footpath along West Road/High Street had dropped. **Parish Clerk agreed to report to appropriate authority**

It was noted that several tractor drivers had been seen driving through the parish whilst using their mobile telephones. **PCSO Sandra Brommell agreed to discuss with the noted drivers**

A parishioner reported that the footpath across the 'horsefield' adjacent to the Post Office seems to be deviated. The gate is lying on the ground and would appear to be a hazard. **Cllr Greenwood agreed to discuss with the owner.**

It was reported that there were a large number of wasps opposite number 23 West Rad. **Parish Clerk agreed to notify the appropriate authority**

Speeding along West Road – it was noted that despite 30mph stickers being placed on wheelie bins, there had been several incidents of apparent speeding along West Road. **PCSO Sandra Brommell agreed to site the speed signage along the noted stretch of road to determine speeds and other detail in the near future**

It was noted that the 30mph sign was partially overgrown along the B1177 as you approach Pointon from Bourne. Please call 101 if you wish to inform the police of such things.

Speeding along Fen Road – it was noted that there had again been incidents of speeding along Fen Rad. The Police are able to issue a Section 59 which would apply to both the driver and the car of offenders. Please note registration number(s) and report

There being no further questions, the meeting started at 8.05pm

Due to the absence of Cllr Lambert, Cllr Greenwood agreed to Chair the meeting

2 Receive apologies for absence and reasons given.

Apologies received from Cllr Lambert and Cllr Davis.

Parish Clerk advised that a letter of resignation had been received from Cllr Davis. Cllr Greenwood spoke on behalf of the Councillors present and thanked Cllr Davis for her time and commitment to the Parish Council. **Parish Clerk to advertise the vacancy in parish matters and on the notice board**

3 Receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, and NALC Code of Conduct 2012, DPI forms

Cllr Greenwood for Item 8

4 Minutes of meetings

Receive Clerk's Notes of Meeting held Thursday 28th July 2016 (*circulated*)

Minutes received and approved. Signed by Cllr Greenwood

5 Receive reports from Outside Bodies, the Clerk and Councillors including any matters relating to:

Police – PCSO Sandra Brommell reported that there had been few incidents of crime locally recently. It was noted that we are approaching Hare Coursing season although there had been not so much in this area.

There has been an unexplained death in Bourne, reported today through the Lincs Alert service. This was unexplained but not suspicious.

Sandra showed a picture of a bicycle which had been found – **Parish Clerk to publish in Parish Matters**

A picture was also shown of a suspect in an alleged robbery in Billingborough

County – none received

District – none received

Parish – correspondence has been received from a parishioner about the condition of a garden in the Parish. Apparently this is now the responsibility of the District Council and the matter is still being followed up.

Playing Field – Cllr Greenwood reported that he had received an enquiry regarding an event in September 2017 and would update the Council at a future meeting with more detail

Village Hall – none received

6 Finance:

The Council approved the following bills for payment:

W.E.Moore – Salary	£335.56	August/Sept 2016
HMRC	£84.00	August/Sept 2016
Emilie Hart	£20.00	Parish Matters August/Sept 2016
PCPF	£200.00	Field Maintenance August/Sept 2016
Viking Direct	£104.28	Stationery
Playsafety Ltd	£88.20	Annual Inspection Fee

Note the following receipts:

Bank Interest	£0.27	August 2016 Interest
Bank Interest	£0.29	Sept 2016 Interest

Financial Statement (*circulated*)

Receive the RFO's financial report and financial projection for 2016/17

Agree any amendments to this year's budget
No amendments required at this time

Review the budget.

Notice of Conclusion of Audit year end March 2016

The Parish Clerk/RFO reported that the Audit for 205/16 was now concluded and this information had been displayed on the Parish council noticeboard

7 **Playing Field**

- Rospa Inspection report – it was noted that the annual Rospa inspection was carried two days prior to the Council 'tidy day'. The report was made available for viewing.
- Surfacing to play areas – it was agreed that additional bark be purchased in the Spring to maintain the required depth around the roundabout. **Parish Clerk to obtain quotes for different resurfacing options**
- Electric/Water to play area/Pressure washer – it was agreed that the **Parish Council would purchase a pressure washer for use by the Parish for cleaning play equipment etc**

8 **Letter received from the Secretary of the Village Hall Committee**

The Parish Clerk reported that a letter had been received from the Secretary of Pointon Village Hall Committee noting the donation agreed at the Annual Parish Meeting in May, of £180 to the Sports and Social club and requesting a matching donation. Cllr Greenwood stated that the donation in question had been passed on to the PCPF and that this had contributed towards the cost of a Topper to enable cutting of the grass verges around the Parish. The Topper had cost £430 with the remaining funds being from the PCPF. Councillors agreed that this was good use of the donation and thanked Cllr Greenwood for cutting the verges.

Following considerable discussion and consideration it was agreed that 'matching donations' could not be given as a matter of course to any organisation.

The Parish Clerk had been asked to review grants and donations given to both organisations since 2009. It was noted that the Village Hall had received a total of £4,316 (*April 2009 - £1000 – lighting, March 2010 – £645.25 – Deposit for canopy - £200 – planning application for canopy, September 2010 - £2292.75 - Canopy, April 2012 - £78 – Paint, December 2014 - £100 – donation*) whilst the Social Club had received the most recent £180.

It was agreed that should the Village Hall require funds in the form of a grant for a particular project, then they should apply to the Parish Council using the Funding Policy guidelines minuted and approved in July 2012. **Parish Clerk agreed to respond on behalf of the Council and supply a copy of the Funding Policy.**

9 **Installation of gate at west side of Pointon at Restricted Byway**

The Parish Clerk reported that no further update had been received from Cllr M Hill (LCC) and agreed to **follow up with LCC**
Highways Dept and Cllr Hill

10 Update on issues reported from around the Parish, and from Parishioners:

Parish Clerk agreed to follow up and report as required the following pints raised:

- Pot holes along Queensway
- Pathway along Queensway
- Widening of footpath between Pointon and Billingborough
- Straw in drains – it was noted that the road sweeper had been around the Parish recently
- Overhanging bushes along West Road

Special thanks were noted to:

Debbie and Wayne Chessum for clearing the footpath between Billingborough and Pointon

Tony Patterson for cutting back the west side of West Road

Parish Clerk agreed to include telephone numbers for articles in Parish Matters magazine wherever possible

Parish Clerk agreed to publish details of bus timetables for Sleafordian, Delaine and Stage Coach buses in Parish Matters

Cllr Ramm suggested placing of flowers as a decoration at the ends of Pointon Village. **Cllr Ramm agreed to bring further detail to the next meeting in November**

Cllr Ramm suggested that it would be beneficial for Pointon to have some form of Community shop selling such things as newspapers, bread, milk etc. **To be discussed further at the next meeting**

It was noted that Mr Ramm had recently had a meeting with Cllr Moseley to discuss a Neighbourhood Plan. Mr Ramm suggested that a small group of people from the Parish could come together to review options and consider ideas and then feedback to parishioners. The Chair thanked Mr Ramm for this work and agreed that this should be an **Agenda item at the next meeting**

11. **Community Safety Partnership Survey** – information previously circulated. **Councillors agreed to respond as required**

12. **Safer Together – Police and Crime Commissioner Plan** – information previously circulated. **Councillors agreed to respond as required**

13. **Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel**

Cllr Greenwood stated that there had not been a meeting of the Panel recently

14. **Aveland Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Moseley had recently met with Mr Ramm - see above

15. **Parish Matters**

October 2016 Parish magazine

The following Councillors would deliver Parish Matters to the following areas:

Cllr Lambert – West Rad

Cllr Greenwood/Parish Clerk – High Street/Sempringham

Cllr Day – Fen Road/ St Gilberts

Cllr Ramm – Queensway

Cllr Scarfe – Millthorpe

Cllr Sharples – Pontion Fen/Sempringham

16. **Parish Council meetings:**

Next Meeting: Thursday 24th November 2016

Subsequent Meetings schedule:

Every 4th Thursday of odd-numbered months, unless otherwise agreed by the Council

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.



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POINTON & SEMPRINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Sports and Social Club: 7:30pm

Present: C. Lambert (Chair), R Greenwood (Vice Chair), J. Sharples, A. Scarfe, C. Ramm

In Attendance: Wendy Moore (Clerk), Cllr Martin Hill (LCC)

Members of public :5

11 The Chairman invited Questions from the Public prior to opening the meeting.

Members/Trustees of the Village Hall Committee were present at the meeting and a discussion took place relating to the recent decision to make a donation to the Sports and Social Club and the subsequent request for a 'matching donation' to the Village Hall. It was felt that the information minuted at the previous Parish Council meeting regarding grants awarded to the Village Hall was incorrect. This information was gleaned from Parish Council accounts.

It was noted that costs associated with the Bus Shelter at the Village Hall were agreed at the time to be met by the Parish Council and Trustees confirmed that the Bus Shelter is an asset of the Parish and is used daily by young people waiting for buses.

Concerns raised were duly noted.

12 Receive apologies for absence and reasons given.

Apologies received from Cllr Linda Day

Parish Clerk advised that a letter of resignation had been received from Cllr. Day. Cllr Lambert spoke on behalf of the Councillors present and thanked Cllr Day for her time and commitment to the Parish Council. **Parish Clerk to advertise the vacancy in parish matters on the notice board**

13 Receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, and NALC Code of Conduct 2012, DPI forms

None noted

14 Minutes of meetings

Receive Clerk's Notes of Meeting held Thursday 22nd September 2016 (*circulated*)

Minutes received and approved. Signed by Cllr Greenwood

15 Vacancy for Parish Councillor

Following the resignation of Cllr Davis at the previous meeting, a vacancy was advertised. No one had contacted the Parish Clerk, however it was noted that Andrew Ramm would like to be considered for the position.

Cllr C. Ramm proposed Andrew, Cllr Greenwood seconded. Voted unanimous. Papers to be signed at the meeting

16 **Code of Conduct**

The Parish Clerk had previously circulated a template for a revised Code of Conduct for adoption. No comments had been received

Parish Clerk agreed to adapt the Code to Pointon and Sempringham and will be an **Agenda Item** at the next meeting for formal adoption.

17 **Receive reports from Outside Bodies, the Clerk and Councillors including any matters relating to:**

Police – nothing received

County – gate at Pethley Lane – Cllr Hill had been keen to see if a compromise could be reached. LCC has written to Mr Bristow and requested he remove the gate within one month (16th December 2016) If this does not happen, LCC will remove.

Cllr C Ramm asked about burning of straw. It would seem that Environment Health and the Environment Agency are passing the information back and forth. Apparently an exemption certificate has been issued, with specific conditions. Cllr Hill agreed to discuss with Cllr Moseley and Cllr C Ramm. Cllr C Ramm stated that in her opinion the conditions were being breached. Residents from West Road have complained.

Streetlight programme continues to be rolled out throughout the County, however Cllr Hill felt that the Parish would not be affected at this time

Grass cutting – amenities programme – It was noted that grass cutting would remain a twice yearly activity

Hedges – particularly along West Road. It was suggested that a letter be written to residents to advise of the potential hazards.

District – nothing received

Parish – nothing to report

Playing Field – nothing to report

School – Consultation of Schools Admissions. Correspondence had been received about the current Consultation, Parish Councillors agreed to complete as required.

Village Hall – nothing further than above

18 **Planning Notifications**

S16/2136 Certificate of Lawful Use or Development (Existing) Field to north of West Lane and east of Bunning Lane, Pointon. Notification had been received that this use was **Lawful**

19 **Finance:**

The Council approved the following payments:

W.E.Moore – Salary	£316.92	Oct/Nov 2016(including travel to
Sleaford and return and two first class stamps)		
HMRC	£76.40	Oct/Nov 2016
Emilie Hart	£20.00	Parish Matters Oct/Nov 2016
PCPF	£200.00	Field Maintenance Oct/Nov 2016
Roy Greenwood	£362.25	Reimb. Of costs – Pressure washer &
hoses		
Roy Greenwood	£20.42	Reimb. Of costs – Pressure washer &
hoses		

Pressure Washer is a Parish Council asset and will be recorded as such. Parish Clerk to investigate if this is covered in the Parish Council Insurance

The Council noted the following receipts:

Bank Interest	£0.29	October 2016 Interest
Bank Interest	£0.28	November 2016 Interest
Pointon FC	£120.00	Pitch Rental – October 2016
Pointon S & SC	£10.00	Donation for NYE advert in PM

Financial Statement (*circulated*)

Received - the RFO's financial report and financial projection for 2016/17

Agreed no amendments to this year's budget.

Reviewed the budget.

Draft Budget for 2017/18

The Council reviewed the Draft Budget and no amendments were required. Draft budget agreed unanimously

Precept 2017/18

Following agreement of the 2017/18 Draft Budget the Council discussed the Parish Precept. The Parish Clerk reported that the grant element of the Precept had been reduced from £183.00 in 2016/17 to £107.00 in 2017/18

Recommendation as RFO that we leave precept at £5000. Agreed unanimously by the Parish Council

20 Playing Field

Surfacing to play areas **Parish Clerk to obtain quotes for different resurfacing options.**

Agenda Item for next meeting.

21 Village Hall Committee

The Parish Clerk reported that a telephone call had been received from a Trustee from the Village Hall Committee who appeared unhappy with the decision made at the last Parish Council meeting not to award a 'matching donation to the Village Hall. They had requested to see various documents from the Parish Council. The Clerk requested that this request be put in writing. No such information/request has been forthcoming to date.

The Parish Council had received further notification from a Trustee of the Committee by email to remove all reference to the Village Hall from the Parish Matters magazine. This request has been actioned with immediate effect.

Cllr Lambert stated that the Clerk is an employee of the Parish Council and that as such they have a Duty of Care for all employees.

22 Installation of gate at west side of Pointon at Restricted Byway

Discussed previously at item 7

23 Update on issues reported from around the Parish, and from Parishioners:

- Footpaths between Pointon and Sempringham and High Street – playing field, High Street – Queensway/Pinfold Lane – we will continue to report to appropriate authorities
- Overhanging bushes along West Road – letter to be drafted by Cllr Lambert
- Wall repair West Road – dispute regarding ownership. It was suggested that SKDC owned the wall, but they say no. Cllr Greenwood had received a call from Mr and Mrs Richardson and apologies given to Mr and Mrs Richardson for inferring they owned the wall in the previous minutes.
- Wasps; West Road
- Raised Manhole cover on Queensway – has now been actioned
- Lights to Chapel Lane – Cllr Lambert have now been turned off

14. Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel

Cllr Greenwood reported that there had not been a Panel meeting. It is likely that the next meeting will be in the New Year.

15. Aveland Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr A Ramm – reported that development of the Plan was moving forward slowly – paperwork has been received, and a team of five has been formed from around the Parish. Cllr A Ramm attended a presentation at Rippingale and we are in contact with them. SKDC are the main contact. The Parish Plan is very much a long term thing. **Standing Agenda item.** At some point there will be a presentation to the Parish Council. This is a huge task but we are progressing.

16. Decoration of Pointon/Sempringham village signs

Cllr C. Ramm. A short presentation was given by Cllr C Ramm of potential enhancements to the Parish. It was suggested that the Parish Council would ask the opinions of Parishioners through the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and Parish Matters.

17. Community Shop

Cllr C Ramm - it was suggested by Cllr Ramm that a small community shop would be beneficial for residents. There is a milkman who also delivers other foods. It was noted that there did used to be a shop but it closed some time ago. Cllr C Ramm reported that she had spoken with Cornerstone and the Old Ship and both thought the idea good.

It was suggested that telephone numbers for local providers be published in Parish Matters. Cllr C Ramm will produce a list of local providers who serve the village.

18. Parish Matters

December 2016 Parish magazine will be ready for collection/delivery on Friday 25th November. Cllr Scarfe agreed to cover the area(s) Fen Road/St Gilberts until a new Councillor is appointed. Cllr A Ramm agreed to deliver the High Street

19. Parish Council meetings:

Agree dates of Meetings:

Next Meeting: Thursday 26th January 2017

Subsequent Meetings schedule:

Every 4th Thursday of odd-numbered months, unless otherwise agreed by the Council

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.45pm



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POINTON & SEMPRINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK'S OFFICE:

4 Fen Road, Pointon, Sleaford, Lincolnshire NG34 0LZ

Parish Clerk: Wendy Moore
Clerk's Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th Dec 2016

Website: pointonandsempringham.org.uk
Thursday 26 January 2017 at Pointon Sports and Social Club, 7.00pm

Present: C. Lambert (Chair), R Greenwood (Vice Chair), J. Sharples, A. Scarfe, C. Ramm, A. Ramm

In Attendance: Wendy Moore (Clerk), Cllr Martin Hill (LCC)

Members of public :5

24 The Chairman invited Questions from the Public prior to opening the meeting.

No questions or comments were voiced

25 Receive apologies for absence and reasons given.

No apologies for absence received

26 Receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, and NALC Code of Conduct 2012, DPI forms

None noted

27 Minutes of meetings

Receive Clerk's Notes of Meeting held Thursday 26th November 2016 (*circulated*)

Minutes received and approved. Signed by Cllr Lambert

28 Vacancy for Parish Councillor

Following the recent resignation of Cllr Day at the previous meeting, a vacancy was advertised. No one had contacted the Parish Clerk, however it was noted that Steve Freeman would like to be considered for the position. Mr Freeman gave a short resume of his interest in the Parish Council.

Cllr A. Scarfe proposed Steve, Cllr C. Ramm seconded. Voted unanimous. Papers to be signed at the earliest possible convenience. Cllr Lambert welcomes Cllr Freeman to the Parish Council

29 Code of Conduct

The Parish Clerk had previously circulated a template for a revised Code of Conduct for adoption. The Code was agreed with no amendments at the November meeting and was adopted. Code of Conduct signed by Cllr Lambert and will be published on the Parish Council website.

30 Receive reports from Outside Bodies, the Clerk and Councillors including any matters relating to:

Police – nothing received

County – see Cllr M. Hill report below

District – nothing received

Parish – Parish Clerk reported that following the November meeting an apology had been received from the Chair of the Village Hall Committee.

Parish Clerk reported that a letter had been received congratulating the Parish Council on the quality and content of Parish Matters

Playing Field – Cllr Greenwood reported that the field is coping well with the winter weather.

School – nothing received

Village Hall – nothing received

31 Planning Notifications

No planning notifications received

32 Finance:

The Council approved the following payments:

W.E.Moore – Salary	£305.64	Dec 16/Jan 17
W.E.Moore – exps	£8.64	Dec 16/Jan 17
HMRC	£76.40	Dec 16/Jan 17
Emilie Hart	£20.00	Parish Matters Dec 16/Jan 17
PCPF	£200.00	Field Maintenance Dec 16/Jan 17
Westgate Print	£196.70	Printing of Parish Matters

The Council noted the following receipts:

Bank Interest	£0.28	December 2016 Interest
Bank Interest	£0.29	January 2017 Interest
Pointon FC	£120.00	Pitch Rental – November 2016
Pointon FC	£120.00	Pitch Rental – December 2016

Financial Statement (*circulated*)

Received - the RFO's financial report and financial projection for 2016/17

Agreed no amendments to this year's budget.

Reviewed the budget.

Bank Signatories – Parish Clerk to make arrangements for two new signatories to be added to the Parish Council Bank Accounts. These are to be Cllr Austin Scarfe and Cllr Corinne Ramm

33 Cleaning of Parish Bus Shelter

It had been noted at the previous meeting in November that the Parish Council are responsible for cleaning of the Parish Bus Shelter (situated at the Village Hall).

Cllr Greenwood agreed to pressure wash the shelter in the spring

34 Draft Letter to Parishioner

It had been asked by some parishioners why a private house has installed access to the Playing Field. It was noted that no discussion had been had prior to the installation, and no permission given to this effect. The Parish Clerk had prepared a draft letter which was circulated and agreed. Letter to be sent by Chair.

35 Playfield

Cllr Greenwood led the discussion about the condition of the play equipment. Parish Clerk reported that following discussion with a supplier, we would not be within the law to move existing equipment. It was noted that Billingborough had recently been awarded a grant to replace equipment and it was agreed that we would wait until that work was complete before holding a visit and discussion about our own equipment. It was suggested that perhaps the slide could need some work/replacement in the future. **Agenda item at next meeting**

36 Installation of gate at west side of Pointon at Restricted Byway

Cllr Martin Hill (Lincolnshire County Council) joined the meeting

Cllr Lambert stated that he had attended a meeting with a representative from LCC and he land owners. Following a lengthy discussion, where updates were received from Cllr Hill and Parish Councillors, a summary was given indicating that all parties seem to be happy with the current situation which was also deemed sensible taking all views into consideration

37 Code of Practice

Discussed at item 6

38 Update on issues reported from around the Parish, and from Parishioners

- Footpaths between Pointon and Sempringham and High Street – playing field, High Street – Queensway/Pinfold Lane – Cllr Hill reported that he had discussed the matter with Cllr Moseley (SKDC). It was noted that the pathway is particularly bad at the moment and in some places impassable for pushchairs/prams/wheelchairs
- Wall repair West Road – there have been problems with regard to ownership of the wall in question. It was noted that some work has been done
- Wasps; West Road – the wasps have now vacated the site and the parish council to observe the situation

It was suggested that a request for volunteers be added to the next Parish Patters magazine, with a view to holding developing a Parish Task Force and having a Parish tidy day in the spring. Parish Clerk agreed to add to magazine.

39 Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel

Cllr Greenwood reported that there had not been a Panel meeting since the last Parish Council meeting

40 Aveland Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr A Ramm – reported that development of the Plan was moving forward – paperwork has been received, and a team of five has been formed from around the Parish. Cllr A Ramm has arranged a meeting with representatives from SKDC to discuss the process and answer any questions. The Parish Plan is very much a long term thing. **Standing Agenda item.** Cllr A Ramm reported that this is a huge task but we are progressing.

41 Decoration of Pointon/Sempringham village signs

Cllr C. Ramm. It was suggested that the Parish Council would ask the opinions of Parishioners through the emerging Neighbourhood Plan

42 Parish Matters

The next edition (February 2017) would be available shortly. Deadline for submissions is 1st February.

Parish Clerk noted changes in distribution numbers and agreed to circulate confirmed delivery people at the next meeting

It was suggested that a Facebook page could be considered for the Parish Council – Parish Clerk agreed to investigate

43 Agree dates of Meetings:

Next Meeting: **Thursday 23rd March 2017**

It was noted that due to an extended period of absence due to ill health, from February, it was unlikely that the Parish Clerk would be in attendance at the March meeting. Cllr A Ramm agreed to take notes from the meeting. Cllr Greenwood would be monitoring Parish emails during the period.

Subsequent Meetings schedule:

Every 4th Thursday of odd-numbered months, unless otherwise agreed by the Council

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm

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Minutes of the Meeting

for

Pointon Parish Council

held on

Thursday 23rd March 2017

held at the

Pointon Sports & Social Club

Present:

Chris Lambert (Chair) [CL]

Andrew Ramm (Stand-in Secretary) [AR]

Corinne Ramm [CR]

Roy Greenwood [RG]

Jim Sharples [JS]

Steve Freeman [SF]

Austin Scarfe [AS]

Also in attendance: Cllr Moseley, PC Graham Parrot and 7 Members of the public

CL opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed all the attendees.

1.0 Questions from the public

1.1 CL opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed all the attendees and requested questions from members of the public. No questions were tabled from the public.

2.0 Received Apologies

2.1 Wendy Moore sent her apologies and these were accepted by the PC.

PCSO Sandra Bromell.

3.0 Received Declarations of Interest

3.1 No declarations of interest were presented at the meeting.

4.0 Previous Minutes

4.1 The previous minutes were read and accepted as a true record and signed by CL.

5.0 Received Reports

5.1 **Police:** PC Parrot standing in for PCSO Sandra Bromell informed the meeting that a series of burglaries had been carried out on the night of 9th March 2017 in Pointon and several other villages. CID are still investigating and hoping something will come of forensic tests. PC Parrot stressed that it was important for people to come forward with information about any incidents given that two suspicious acts had gone unreported. PCSO Bromell had recently met the new Chief Constable and had spoken on the subject of Hare coursing, a topic he was familiar with.

5.2 **County:** Nothing

5.3 **District:** Cllr Moseley explained that the precept had been set at 20% less than required and that savings would have to be found. That there was a change of leadership at the District Council.

Cllr Moseley was informed the meeting that copies of the SKToday magazine had not been received by residents of the parish. Cllr Moseley agreed to get copies sent over.

Cllr Moseley expressed relief that the planning issue with the over-height house has now been resolved and that the matter was finally at an end.

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5.4 **Parish:** AR, on behalf of a resident, raised the issue of a raised footpath outside Avalon House on Pethley Lane that was a potential trip hazard and an issue for wheel chair users. It was decided to write a letter to both highways and Clive Richardson in an attempt to resolve the issue. ACTION: Letters to be issued.

The issue of damage to the grassed area on Pinfold Lane was raised caused by the School double decker bus operated by Sleafordian Coaches now enters the village by that route and was being forced by parked cars to mount the verge causing severe damage to the grassed area. It was decided that a letter should be sent the school and

Sleafordian Coaches to resolve the issue. ACTION: Letters to be sent.

Clerk

Clerk

5.5 **Playing Field:** RG informed the meeting that a cut of the grass was shortly to be carried out. That 500Lts of Oil had been purchased at a cost of £388.42

5.6 **School:** Nothing was reported.

5.7 **Village Hall:** It is understood an AGM shall be held in May but no date has been set.

5.8 **The Old Ship:** Chris from the ship informed the meeting that there has been a change of management and Clive Burt of St Gilberts Close is now the Licensee. The new licensee intends to apply to make the pub an "Asset of Community Value" and was supported by the PC. It was hoped that the Breweries might assist in the funding of a new kitchen which would enable the pub to support a "Meals on Wheels" capability for local elderly residents They are also looking at EU funding through the LCC.

5.9 **Lincolnshire Sustainability & Transformation Plan:** CL informed the meeting he had received a LS&TS booklet that included a proposal to make all hospitals in Lincolnshire Centres of Excellence and that a member of the team had offered to come to the next meeting and present their proposals. CL expressed scepticism at the benefits of such a visit and it was agreed not to request a visit. No further action.

6.0 Planning Notifications

6.1 **S017/0325:** Roger Callow attended the meeting to explain the requirement behind the application and the PC had no objections to his application.

6.2 **S017/0344:** Roger Callow explained the requirement behind the application that was for a change of use of a garage into a dwelling for his son. The PC had no objections to his application.

6.3 **S016/1234:** No representation was at the meeting, however, planning permission has been granted and no further action is required.

7.0 Finance

7.1 **Bills:** The various bills for payment were presented to the PC:

W. E. Moore – Salary £316.28 Feb/Mar 17

W. E. Moore – Expenses £ 10.64 Feb/Mar 17 (Mileage & 1 stamp)

HRMC £ 76.40 Feb/Mar 17

Emilie Hart £ 20.00 Parish Matters Feb/Mar 17

PCFC £200.00 Field Maintenance Feb/Mar 17

Viking Direct £137.28 Stationery

Chandlers £388.42 500Lts Tractor Oil

Payments were approved by the PC and the respective cheques were counter-signed by CL.

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7.2 **Receipts:** The following receipts had been received:

Bank Interest £ 0.28 Mar 17 Interest

Bank Interest £ 0.29 Feb 17 Interest

Pointon FC £120.00 Pitch Rental Feb 17

Pointon FC £120.00 Pitch Rental Jan 17

7.3 **Financial Statement:** The financial statement had been previously circulated and the RFO's report and projections were agreed without amendment. The budget was reviewed and approved.

7.4 2016/2017 Audit Arrangements:

7.4.1 – **Internal Audit:** The PC discussed the requirement for an internal audit; RG stated Jan James and Tess had agreed to carry out the internal audit as per last year.

7.4.2 – **External Audit:** Confirmation had been received from Grant Thornton that they would carry out the external audit and the PC have been informed that this year's arrangements will remain the same but charges would be introduced next year.

ACTION: RG to arrange for the audits to be complete.

RG

7.5 **Annual Incremental Increase:** It was proposed that the clerk be awarded an Annual

incremental increase in salary from £9.551 to £9.90 per hour. The PC approved the Clerk's salary increase to £9.90 per hour.

8.0 Cleaning of Parish Bus Shelter

8.1 RG had been informed by Christine Green that the VH Trustees would be arranging cleaning of the bus shelter roof.

9.0 Recreational Facilities Survey 2017

9.1 A survey has been received from SKDC and will need to be completed and RG agreed to carry this out. ACTION: RG to complete the survey.

RG

10.0 Fencing and Gate onto Playfield from Residential Property

10.1 As previously agreed, a letter had been drafted for signature to be sent to Mr Warren. CL agreed to sign the letter. ACTION: The clerk was to issue the letter.

Clerk

11.0 Playing Field

11.1 The surfacing to the play areas was discussed and AS agreed to obtain prices for various safety surfaces around the items of play equipment. ACTION: AS to obtain prices.

AS

11.2 The cutting of pathway from the High Street and Playing Field was also discussed and how it was in a poor state of repair, however, this is covered in Item 12.2.

12.0 Update on Parish Issues

12.1 **Pointon/Sempringham Footpath:** Cllr Moseley told the meeting that he believed that a solution for the footpath between Pointon and Sempringham has been found and it would soon be cleared. The PC is to monitor the footpath.

PC

12.2 **High Street/Playing Field Footpath:** The poor state of repair of the footpath was discussed with it being rutted and water logged. SF informed the meeting that Roger Beecham who lives adjacent to the pathway believed he had ownership of the land and SF agreed to contact him to discuss the various options including slabbing the pathway.

ACTION: SF to contact Roger Beecham.

SF

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12.3 **High Street/ Queensway/Pinfold Lane Footpath:** The footpath has now been cleared and is easily accessible. No further action.

12.4 **Overhanging bushes along West Road:** The majority of issues with overhanging bushes along West Road have been resolved except for one property. CL confirmed that he had tried to approach the resident but he appeared to be deaf! It was agreed that a letter should be sent requesting the restoration of the public right of way.

ACTION: The Clerk is to issue a letter to the resident

Clerk

12.5 **Wall repair West Road:** The damaged wall remains an issue. CL believed that the damaged was caused by the straw contractor operating out of the adjacent field owned by the Crown Estates and farmed by Paul Richardson. CL confirmed that no one is taking responsibility. It was agreed letters should be sent to the County Council, District Council and Carter Jonas asking for responsibility. ACTION: Clerk to issue letters.

Clerk

12.6 **Faulty Street Lighting:** AS informed the meeting of a street light on West Road is not working. AS agreed to report the fault via the online reporting facility.

ACTION: AS to register the lighting fault.

AS

13.0 Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel

13.1 RG informed the meeting that the NPP had been amalgamated with the Neighbourhood Watch and agreed to attend their future meetings. No further action.

14.0 Aveland Neighbourhood Plan

14.1 AR, as team leader of the NP team, informed the meeting that the Neighbourhood Plan was progressing well and the first draft of the questionnaire would soon be available.

ACTION: AR to present the draft questionnaire to the PC for review and approval.

AR

15.0 Transparency Funds

15.1 Information regarding the Transparency Fund had been received but had not yet been reviewed. On-going.

16.0 Telephone Box

16.1 Information had been received regarding the adoption of the iconic red Telephone Box by the Parish. The PC discussed the benefits and disadvantages of adopting the box and its future use including using it to house a Defibrillator Unit, as well as the need to reposition it to a more central and suitable position. SF, as a former BT executive, offered to take responsibility for the matter.

ACTION: SF to consider options for the box and present his ideas to the PC.

SF

17.0 Village Signs

17.1 CR reported that the issue of improvements in the village signs and ideas on visual enhancements to the approaches to the villages has now been included in the remit of the Neighbourhood Plan and is to be included in the NP Questionnaire.

ACTION: AR to ensure inclusion for suggestions go into the NPQ.

AR

18.0 Parish Matters

18.1 **April 2017 Parish magazine Distribution:** RG asked the CP members for distribution numbers for their areas of responsibility. Members requested the following volumes:

CL 60 West Road

AS 56 St GC, Fen Rd & Millthorpe

JS 30 Sempringham & Fens

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SF 45 High St

CR 55 Queensway & Pethley Lane

Total = 246

ACTION: RG agreed to monitor the number of spare copies and adjust quantities as required.

RG

18.2 **Advertising Charges:** The PC was asked to consider the "Parish Matters" advertising rates to be charged for the coming year. Currently a full Page for one year costs £50 and a Half Page for a year costs £25. After consideration it was decided to hold the prices at the same rate for next year.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the advertisers informing them of this.

Clerk

19.0 Next Meeting

19.1 The next meeting shall be the Annual Parish Meeting to be held in the Pointon Village Hall on Thursday 25th May 2017 commencing at 7.00pm.

19.2 All future meetings shall be held on the 4th Thursday of the odd-numbered months.

1. Please send agenda items for the next meeting to the Parish Clerk by 11th May 2017.

2. CL closed the meeting at 9.55pm.

Andrew Ramm

25th March 2017