

These are the notes taken by the Parish Clerk and cannot be taken as a true record of the meeting until ratified at the next Parish Council meeting.

**Old Leake Parish Council Meeting
11th December 2019
MINUTES**

In Attendance:

Councillor David Norton, Councillor Frank Pickett, Councillor Tom Ashton, Councillor John Baxter, Councillor Guy Bull, Councillor Anne Hawthorn, Councillor Nigel McCulloch and Councillor Julian Crouch.
Lincolnshire County Councillor Paul Skinner was also present.

Public Forum

A member of the public reported about potholes on Furlongs Lane near Lilac Cottage.

1/12/19 Opening of the meeting by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed all Councillors and public to the meeting.

2/12/19 Apologies for absence and reasons given

Apologies were received and acknowledged from Councillor Money due to work commitments.

3/12/19 Declarations of interest in accordance with 2011 Localism Act

No declarations were made.

4/12/19 To note the report from the Police Liaison Officer

PCSO Kym Rayment attended the meeting and read out the report directly:

- 1 theft-Station Road.
- 3 incidents of violence- Caleb Hill Road and 2x Church Road.
- 1 fraud/forgery incident-St Mary's Way.
- 3 suspicious circumstance-Chapel Road, Lade Bank and Pode Lane.
- 1 concern for safety-Hobhole Bank.
- 1 road traffic collision-Main A52.
- 1 traffic offence-School Lane.
- 1 vehicle offence-Wicken Lane.

5/12/19 To note reports from representatives of outside bodies

Councillor Baxter reported back from the Community Centre and informed the Council that the youth club could be closing, lots of fundraising has been taking place raising over £2000. There are many more events planned for the New Year. Councillor Hawthorn had attended the Parish Liaison meeting which included a very informative presentation from Police Commissioner Mark Jones and an environmental presentation from BBC covering recycling and the new purple bins.

6/12/19 To note CCTV requests

No requests were made.

Councilor McCulloch and Pickett were asked to review the CCTV at the meeting to see if they could identify how the tyre tracks had got on the grass.

7/12/19 To accept the playgrounds and Enos Wood monthly check sheets and action any repairs

Furlong's Lane play area is in good order, the edges of the safety matting at Washdyke Lane will be incorporated into the general improvement plan for the park.

8/12/19 To consider the draft notes of the meeting held on 13th November 2019 and resolve to adopt

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved to accept the note as the minutes.

9/12/19 To consider and resolve a donation request from St Mary's Church for grounds maintenance

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved to donate £750 towards the ground's maintenance.

10/12/19 Resolution to approve the payments of accounts

A duplicate invoice had been received from BBC for streetlight repairs. The Clerk was instructed not to pay the £3750 and get confirmation from BBC that the invoice was sent in error.

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved to approve the payment lists for December and January.

11/12/19 Highways matters: items requiring maintenance or repair

All the issues raised in the village are logged with the highways department.

12/12/19 Planning matters

There were no planning applications to comment on.

13/12/19 To consider and review the account summary for the 2020/21 budget and set the precept

The budget figures were considered at length.

It was proposed, seconded and unanimously resolved to set the 2020/21 precept at £42096.00.

14/12/19 To receive an update from the Enos Wood working group, resolve any actions and set expenditure if required

Councillor Crouch stated the whips had arrived, he was very pleased with the stock and stated they were a very good price for the quality.

Planting has started and is all progressing well.

15/12/19 To receive an update from the Washdyke Lane Working Group and resolve any actions and set further expenditure if required

The Chairman moved **17/12/19 to receive an update regarding the Pocket Park funding application** for the Clerk to cover both issues at this stage.

The Clerk reported that all relevant background work had been completed and quotes for various playground equipment from Sovereign Play, Wicksteed and Kompan had been sourced. The Pocket Park application would be ready before the deadline of 31st December. The Clerk felt the bug and butterfly collection of play

equipment included in the Kompan quote fitted best with the ethos of the Washdyke development and focused on that equipment to build the Pocket Park application. The fencing was delayed in being put up but should be in place within the next few weeks.

Quotes for the car park matting were still being sought.

Decisions are to be made regarding the quotes and awarding contracts at the February meeting.

16/12/19 To consider and resolve the job description for the village Rural Isolation Key Worker as presented by the working group

Councillor Baxter, Councillor Hawthorn and the Clerk formed the working group. A job description and person specification were distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed to approve the details and delegate the advertising, promotion and shortlisting of applicants to the working group.

18/12/19 To note general correspondences

A thank you card for a community donation was received from the Rainbows group.

A request to support the Local Electricity Bill was considered, but the Council did not want to get involved at this stage.

19/12/19 Agenda items for the February meeting

Rural Isolation Worker, Pocket Park, May Event.