**RUNCTON HOLME PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th October 2014 at 7.30pm**

**Present :** Councillors: R Pearman (Chair), L Brady, S Brett, D Caley, C Garner, B Redfern, R Rockcliffe, C Snell and 1 member of the public. Cllr Hipperson (BC) Clerk: P Winson

1. **Accept apologies for absence.**

None.

1. **To consider requests for dispensations from the restriction on participating in the**

**discussion or voting on a matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None.

1. **Declarations of Councillors Interests**

D Caley declared an interest in Item 109/14.

1. **Minutes of meeting held on 2nd September 2014**

Having been circulated before the meeting and taken as read, the minutes were agreed.

1. **Public Speaking**

*Agreed that meeting be adjourned for public speaking*

None.

*Meeting resumed*

1. **Matters Arising**

None.

1. **Correspondence** Folder for Circulation**.**

NALC – information

NCC – Stoptober poster

NCC – letter re budget cuts

1. **Play Area**

Inspection report received. Children have been climbing on the roof of the pagoda. Some splitting on the roundabout panels.

Cllr Long (CC) arrived.

1. **Playing Field**
2. Trees have now been cut. Roller needed to repair the playing field. R Rockcliffe removed the tree trimmings. D Caley also helped. Agreed trees need annual trimming, top and alternate sides each year. Clerk to contact Gino. Thanks expressed to R Rockcliffe and D Caley for their help.
3. Fence repair. A chain and padlock has been put on the gate and the match referee will be given the key. Cllrs will all have a look at the fence individually and see what works they think are needed. To be on next agenda.
4. **Highways**

A10/School Rd junction not yet repaired. Road diversion sign hidden in the grass, next to the sandbags. Clerk to contact NCC again re Rangers visit. Second storage container at 47/48 Downham Road affecting visibility and highway safety.

1. **Footpaths**

Some weeds cut down on Oaklands Lane. Fingerpost sign still missing. Footpath marker signs now on P.R.O.W.

1. **Social Club Car park Repairs Update.**

Works have been done and rollered. Bottle banks have been removed. Cllr Long advised that the BC will provide householders with additional bin space for recycling if there is a proven need. Material Works have submitted a planning application to NNDC which should be determined in the next 3-4 weeks. Wooden fence around the pad is broken, Cllrs to inspect and report back to next meeting.

1. **Dog Waste Bin**

On proposal from R Rockcliffe and seconded by C Garner, all agreed to the purchase of a Glasdon 25 litre dog waste bin for the Church Lane area.

1. **Open Gardens**

In Norfolk there were 49 Open Garden events, 4 within 10 miles of the village. Need to have at least 10 gardens to make it worthwhile. Article for next newsletter, event planned for next June/July.

1. **Downham Rd Allotment Site**

D Caley is intending to tidy the site up and is hoping to take responsibility of it.

1. **Newsletter**

Went out. All contributions for the next issue welcome.

1. **Website.**

Still waiting for NALC to set up the website.

1. **Planning**

Proposal from BT to remove Common Rd phone box. C Garner contacted Paul McDonald from BT. All agreed to object to the proposal due to the poor mobile signal in the village, accident blackspot, central location close to crossroads, near rail crossing. All agreed they wanted to keep the phone box in full working order.

No further update re Woodlake’s, clerk to forward County and Borough Councillors last email.

1. **Finance**

a Cheques agreed and signed.

b Accounts to 16th September 2014 agreed and signed. Mazars have now concluded Annual Audit and have no cause for concern.

1. **Councillors Concerns and Items for Next Meeting Agenda.**

Speedgates. Parish Partnership, clerk to contact NCC for advice re VAS and the footpath on School Rd. West Winch PC have had work done by McDonalds, clerk to investigate. Mention of a dog in the village which is causing problems and not kept under control. Parking opposite the school a problem.

1. **Confirm date of next meeting.**
   1. Next meeting on Tuesday 4th November 2014 at 7.30pm. S Brett to check accounts at that meeting.

Chairman ………………………………………. Date …………………………………

Meeting closed at 8.50pm