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## CRIDLING STUBBS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 March 2009

- 1 Members present: B Crossdale, C Wilson, M Shepherd and M Williams.
- 2 Apologies: J Adams family bereavement.
- 3 Minutes of the last meeting were signed as a true record.
- 4 Declaration of interest of agenda items, B Crossdale and M Shepherd declared an interest in item 15 of the agenda.
- 5 Clerks Report: The clerk read out a letter from HM Revenue regarding VAT claimed by the parish council and the money has been put into the parish council account.
- 6 Policy for Apologies: All apologies to be given to the clerk Mrs L Walker at least one day before the meeting unless in the case of emergencies as soon as possible.
- 7 Public Question Time: PC Laura Simpson was present at the meeting and was asked about the response time it took for the police to attend an incident in the village and she explained that unfortunately in the present climate there were only so many officers on shift and if they were already tied up with other incidents it may sometimes take some time for the police to be able to respond.

MS brought up the problem sometimes experienced by the postcode for Cridling Stubbs and the problem this poses when calling the police.

Laura suggested that it would be advisable to put in the next newsletter that every house in the village has a number of house name clearly visible to enable all emergency services to locate a property in an emergency.

This item to be placed on the next agenda.

A villager asked for an update on the rat problem and was told that there was nothing further to report.

A villager showed concern about the proposed change to fortnightly collections of refuse collections. This item to be placed on the next agenda.

A villager showed concern about the dyke on the by pass. BC said that it was advisable to go onto NYCC website to report it. This item to be placed on the next agenda.

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8 Reports from various meetings.

BC attended a meeting of UK Coal on the 10 February 2009 and he asked if UK Coal could use less water and to restrict road cleaning in icy conditions and they said that they would grit the road in icy conditions. They said that they now put up icy road, road signs in icy conditions.

They are still looking into the condition of the road surface on the by pass.

The village representative for UK Coal meetings said that the manager of UK Coal wanted an itemised costing of the re surfacing of the by pass. A report is to be given for the next meeting.

MS also showed concern that the bowser was using dirty water to clean the road.

MW, MS, JA, and G Ivey attended an Educational Fund meeting on 23 February 2009 and they have re invested some of the educational fund money to another bank for 6 months. BC said that as the £10,000 already earmarked for the playground was already promised. MW said that they may be able to release the £10,000. BC said that the parish council would not ask for further funding on the understanding that the £10,000 promised may be released, MS confirmed that a letter confirming the £10,000 will be released when needed would be given to the parish council.

BC said that training will be available for declaration of interest policies from the Standards Board of England.

9 Future Policy from reports

It was decided that anyone attending a meeting on behalf of the parish council would provide a written report.

10 Correspondence

There was nothing to report.

11 Change of boundary at Hanover Green

A letter from SDC stated that this has to go to the district councils Policy and Resources Committee. Then the residents of Hanover Green will be written to asking for their wishes and then to the Secretary of State.

12 Invoice from British Energy

An invoice from British Energy for funding for the playground was received by the parish council in error.

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13 Condition of the road surface on the by pass

Highways North Yorkshire are looking into the cost of re-surfacing the by pass.

14 Renewal form from Rural Action Yorkshire

BC proposed not to renew until April 2009, all agreed.

15 Contract of Employment and Expenses for the clerk

Nothing has been received as yet from S Spence.

B Metcalfe from SLCC has sent a model contract for consideration. This item to be placed on the next agenda.

Clerks expenses to be on the next agenda.

16 Renewal of membership to the Osgoldcross Forum

No quorum for a decision, this item to be placed on the next agenda.

17 Bank Mandate

S Longley is still on the bank mandate BC proposed to remove him and replace him with Councillor C Wilson all agreed.

18 Grass Cutting

L Walker has been to Ripon Farm several times to enquire as to the whereabouts of the mulcher for the lawnmower purchased last year and has continually been informed that it is on order and that they would telephone her when they had it in stock, they have as yet never got back to her, as this mulcher was part of the purchase of the mower she has asked for someone else to ask Ripon Farm Services about this.

MS offered to trim the trees at the end of the village.

19 Greenish Fingers

MW suggested that this be disbanded, but as it has nothing to do with the parish council no decision could be made.

20 Payments

Playing Fields Newsletter subscription £12.50 passed for payment.

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21 Minor Items for the next agenda

There were no minor items to be placed on the agenda.

The meeting was closed at 8.49pm