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Minutes for the ordinary meeting of Red Lodge Parish Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at the Red Lodge Millennium Centre at 7pm.

**Present:**

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| Cllr Clare Bloomfield  | Chair      |
| Cllr Angie Sewell      | Vice Chair |
| Cllr Carol Downs       |            |
| Cllr Roger Dicker      |            |
| Cllr Clive MacLeod BEM |            |
| Cllr Debbie Reynolds   |            |

6 Parish Councillors in attendance

7 Members of the Public in attendance

**Welcome and Apologies:** No Apologies were received

**Absent:** Cllr Andy Drummond

**Declarations of Interest:**

No Declarations of Interest were announced.

**Guest Speakers:**

**Police** – No Report

**County Cllr Lisa Chambers** gave a brief synopsis of a paper circulated to all Parish Councillors in respect of green spaces in Red Lodge. She also mentioned the council tax freeze for the 5<sup>th</sup> year.

**Cllr Roger Dicker** gave a brief update regarding the Mildenhall Base closure and the commercial possibilities in the future. It was also mentioned by Cllr Dicker that the dog bins in various areas of the village were overflowing. It was stated that the Parish Council could purchase bins, if required. Forest Heath District Council charge for the disposal of dog waste. An Audit has been requested by Cllr Dicker. This Audit will be carried out by Forest Heath District Council. Also, Cllr Dicker has donated £500 from his Forest Heath Locality budget for the start up of JellyTots, a parent and child group which is held in the Millennium

Centre initially on Friday mornings. The money will go towards new equipment for use by parents and children.

**Red Lodge Millennium Centre:** No Report.

**Sports Pavilion:** No Report

**Public Questions:** A member of the public suggested that larger capacity dog bins could be provided where problems are encountered. PC to discuss additional or larger bins at the Pavilion and Doctor's in particular at next months meeting---Clerk to obtain prices.

In respect of Bellflower Crescent and the signs indicating where the shops are, Crest Nicholson have not responded in this respect and Cllr Clive MacLeod is to give the necessary contact details to the Parish Clerk to chase.

**TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015 AND THE DEFERRED MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 2015 MEETING**

**JANUARY: Proposed:** Cllr McLeod                      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Cllr Debbie Reynolds                      **All agreed**  
**FEBRUARY: Proposed:** Angie Sewell                      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Cllr Clive MacLeod                      **All agreed**

**To discuss the green spaces in Red Lodge Letter:**

The letter to Red Lodge Parish Council concerning "green spaces" was discussed and it was agreed that two areas are of great concern. One, is cars parked on grass verges and pavements and the other is the excessive amounts of litter, which is a very bad and unacceptable problem. The litter pick day on 28<sup>th</sup> March should greatly improve the situation.

**To discuss the Pavilion street and path lights and the need for repairs:**

This apparently has been known to some members of the Council, for some time. However, Cllr Clive MacLeod, again raised this topic for discussion. Red Lodge Parish Council do have responsibility for the lights concerned. It was suggested that Carrillion may be the company to approach to have the lights repaired. Cllr Clive MacLeod is to advise the Parish Clerk in order that he may follow this up.

**To discuss the purchase of a new village sign and quotes obtained.**

The quotes obtained were discussed and it was agreed that Art Steel Work be asked to provide a sign at a cost of £1,350. (from 106 monies) The Parish Clerk to inform this company, that their quote has been accepted.

**Proposed:** Cllr Sewell                                      **2<sup>ND</sup>:** Cllr Bloomfield                                      **All agreed**

**To discuss the Community Litter Pick and announce the date to the Public**

The Litter Pick is to take place on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2015, 10 am at the Millennium Centre. High viz vests and litter pickers have been obtained. Posters have been put up around the village and it has been put on Facebook.

**To discuss the removal of a tree stump at the Millennium Centre Car Park (29 Magnolia Close)**

We have received a quote from SP Landscapes which has been accepted. Removal of the stump needs to be arranged in conjunction with the owner of the property, the Parish Keeper and SP Landscapes. It was also noted that the tree at No 28 Magnolia Close has also been pruned—no further action required at present.

**Proposed:** Cllr Sewell                      **2ND:** Cllr Bloomfield                      **All agreed**

**To receive an update on the Millennium Centre and discuss the ownership report submitted by Cllr MacLeod**

In 1998 the Parish Councillors were made Directors plus one other person Millennium Centre Co Limited by Guarantee. The land belongs to the Parish Council that it sits on. As the ownership of the Millennium Centre is not clear further information is being sought. This has come about as there are repairs required and it is not known at this time whether it is the Millennium Centre or Parish Council's responsibility to carry out these repairs. Cllr MacLeod suggested that the Parish Councillors and Trustees should meet to discuss funding for these repairs. The Clerk and Jo to arrange this.

**To consider quotes for the installation of the newly purchased hand dryers in the Sports Pavillion**

Submitted quotes were discussed and it was agreed that Bevan Electrical should be asked to carry out the work.

**Proposed:** Cllr Sewell                      **2ND:** Cllr Bloomfield                      **All agreed**

**Correspondence:**

**Letter from PTSG Electrical Services offering inspection and test of lightning protection systems offering 1 year, 3 years or 5 years fixed term contracts**

It was agreed we would ask for a Pro Forma Invoice to be sent from them regarding this.

**Planning Application:**              No planning applications were received.

**Payments & Cheques**

The Parish Clerk provided an information sheet of a complete breakdown of all cheques issued and Direct Debits and Standing Orders made.

The Red Lodge Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at the Millennium Centre, Red Lodge, commencing at 7pm.

Signed ..... Date.....  
Chairman

Meeting closed at 8.00pm