

Minutes of an extra Parish Council Meeting
held in St Mary's Church, Church Drive, Orton Waterville on
Wednesday, 1 April, 2009.

Present: Mr M Chambers (Chairman) Mr P Froggitt Mr M Stone Mrs G Thornley
 Mr M Rowett Mrs J Stokes

Members of the Public – none Ward Councillors – none

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Mrs J Farnham, Mr C Long, Mr M Smith and Mr G Masters.
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – There were none.
3. TO DISCUSS TENDERS FOR DEMOLITION OF STORAGE SHED

Tenders were received from Apex at £8585 and from P J Thory Ltd at £9313. Although Apex was slightly cheaper, it did not include the removal of foundations (which would have been £410 more) nor a full type 3 Asbestos survey. Members felt that P J Thory Ltd were a more professional company who would do a thorough job. It was also suggested that, if we intended to use the site for further allotments, topsoil would be needed. Mr Froggitt proposed that we accept the tender from P J Thory Ltd but to also ask them, as an extra, to excavate below the existing ground level to 18 inches. This was seconded by Mr Stone and carried.

An offer had been received by email from the Insurers of the shed and this was forwarded to all members. In the opinion of the Surveyor, the shed had been under insured and the cause of the collapse was only 25% due to the snowfall. They, therefore, only offered £13,200. Since this was enough to pay for the demolition, Mr Rowett proposed and Mrs Thornley seconded that this offer be accepted. It was carried.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was brought to the Council's attention that a dead tree in the boundary hedge of the Wyman Way allotments had fallen onto a neighbour's shed. Mr Chambers proposed that Peterborough Tree Services be contacted to quote for identifying all the dead trees in that hedgerow and cutting them down. This was seconded by Mrs Thornley and carried.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm