



PART II MINUTES of Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 16th June 2015**, in Kelsey Hall, Ifold.

Present: Sara Burrell (Chairman); Sallie Baker; Sophie Capsey; Phil Colmer; Alan Dormon; Francoise Lillywhite; Vivien Forwood; Paul Jordan; Paul Reynolds; Nick Whitehouse; Beverley Weddell (Clerk)

Apologies: Apologies had been received from David Ribbens.

ACTION

- 1. Pursuant to Procedure Rule 20 and in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, it was agreed the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

a) Legal matters in respect of Crouchland Biogas.

The cost of further Counsel's Opinion and legal advice from Birketts in respect of the Certificate of Lawfulness application of £2000 was ratified.

The Parish Council had been advised to start fundraising to build up a sum of money that would be required to fund a judicial review, in the worst case scenario that that should be required. A meeting had been held with the parish council, Kirdford Parish Council, Plaistow Village Trust and PORE to discuss the funding. It was proposed that the Parish Councils and the Village Trust would each pledge £5000 and that an anonymous benefactor would provide match funding up to £15,000, which would give the recommended sum of £30,000. It was resolved that the Parish Council would set aside £5000 for this purpose. It was hoped that this would not be necessary and that any judicial review would be led by Chichester District Council.

It was agreed that money for the fund would be paid into the Parish Council deposit account and that the parish council would be responsible for making all payments from that fund and for reclaiming the VAT.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not proceed with a Judicial Review without an agreement that all costs be capped and without seeking advice as to the likelihood of a successful outcome. The Parish Council would also ensure that individual Parish Councillors would not become liable for costs by acting ultra vires.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:15.