

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2017 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

In the Chair : Cllr J Frost

Also present: Cllr Mrs J Chamberlain, Cllr Mrs S Kemp,
Cllr R T Matthews, Cllr D Gibson, Cllr T Barker,
Cllr Mrs N Askew, Cllr Mrs T Powell, Cllr M Russell,

In attendance : Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

Cllr T Foster.

11 members of the public

PUBLIC FORUM

A member of the public advised the meeting that Swannocks View has two name plate signs – one correct saying Swannocks View the other incorrect saying Swannocks Drive. Clerk to ask N.L.C to correct the second nameplate sign.

It was reported that there are overhanging trees on Walnut Drive onto Queens court. Photographs will be taken and sent to the clerk who will report to N.L.C

A member of the public advised the meeting of the inaccuracy of the discussion and procedure regarding an agenda item last month in relation to the discussion on the public footpaths and access onto tracks and paths which are not recognised public rights of way. The member of the public welcomed that this matter was to be discussed again at this parish council meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Mrs Keyworth, Cllr J Kitwood, Cllr R Johnson, Cllr P Johnson, Cllr J England and Cllr N Poole.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** -

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8th NOVEMBER 2017.**

IT WAS RESOLVED with two abstentions noted, to adopt the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 8th November 2017 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS:** No report to receive.

5. **PLANNING** - Opportunity for one person from each side to state, within 3 minutes, objections/support of contested applications.

i) Application PA/2017/1810 – Planning permission to erect side and rear single storey extensions and install window in southern elevation of existing garage –
5 Gainsborough Lane, Scawby

IT WAS RESOLVED to report NO OBJECTIONS to this application but to ask the planning officer to ensure the conditions imposed on the previous planning permission granted on this property are upheld – plant trees and shrubs to the front of the new fence. The parish council also requested that the planning officer stipulate that the highways grass verge to the front of this property – where bricks and building materials have been stored – is tidied.

- ii) Application PA/2017/1892 – Planning permission to erect a front extension and attic conversion – 39 Messingham Lane, Scawby

IT WAS RESOLVED to report NO OBJECTIONS to this application but request that the planning officer considers the proposed front extension in that it appears to extend in front of the natural building line of the properties on Messingham Lane.

- iii) Application PA/2017/1777 – Planning permission to retain brick wall at front and side boundary – 178 Scawby Road, Scawby Brook.

IT WAS RESOLVED to OBJECT to this application as the wall is considerably higher than the 1metre height for front boundary fencing/walls stipulated by N.L.C.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/CLERK

- i) Cllr's Frost, Mrs Keyworth and the clerk attended standards training at N.L.C.

- ii) The Remembrance Day Service at the war memorial went very well, gratitude was extended to The RBL and the local Scout Group for their support and attendance.

- iii) The Parish Council made a Wreath to be on display at the Church.

- iv) The Christmas tree lights switch on ceremony went very well.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- VANL – training course diary
- Rural Services Network – information
- North Lincolnshire Council – Forthcoming meetings
- North Lincolnshire safer neighbourhood partnership – community safety fund – circulated.
- Humberside Airport – Consultative committee meeting – 13/12/17
- Snow warden information – circulated.
- Correspondence from N.L.C regarding the petition hearing.
- Countryside Voice magazine.
- Sissons Gardening Services – quotes for 1,3 and 5 years.
- Andrea Brocklesbank – tree planting scheme
- Letter from resident regarding road safety around Church Street and West Street – clerk to reply, advise N.L.C and offer site visit with Cllr's Barker and Gibson.
- Letter from resident regarding speeding vehicles particularly Gainsborough lane, Mill Lane and Church Street area – clerk to reply and request 'golden rivers' from N.L.C
- Letter from resident regarding dog fouling in the Chapel Lane area – clerk to put in next issue of the parish magazine .

8. FINANCE

I) Accounts to [pay and Income received.

PAYEE	CHEQUE NO'	AMOUNT
Clerk - Salary - November	3285	561.65
Clerk - Expenses :		
Mileage – 30 @ 65p – 19.50		
Stationery//photocopying – 17.17		
Stamps – 10.17		
Q'allowance – 80.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	3286	126.84
Sissons Gardening Services	3287	492.19
Scawby Village hall – rent	3288	135.00
CPRE membership	3289	36.00
Barton Mowing Services	3290	570.00
J Frost – Q'allowance	3291	140.00
Sissons Gardening Services	3292	34.00
Total Gas and Power	DD	28.30

INCOME RECEIVED : 0

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr R T Matthews and seconded by Cllr J Chamberlain and unanimously agreed.

- ii) The financial statement – information provided on screen.
- iii) Grantscape Funding – to confirm that a grant award of £9,450 has been provided by BNLL for the playground refurbishment. The complete quotation for the required works is £14,855.00. The parish council have £5000 within the budget to put towards this project and £1500 is available from SET should it be required to complete the project. Clerk to instruct Wicksteed to proceed with this project – clerk to check if they are providing a skip. The meeting agreed that access arrangements to the playing fields need improving – to ensure access is available for all – including disabled users. Clerk is to ask N.L.C to provide a quotation to provide folding bollards (to replace the gate) – similar to those installed at the school. Funds available should provide for these access bollards.
- iv) Bedding contract for 2018/19 : To give consideration to the following quotations from Sissons Gardening Services for flower/bedding contract:
 - a) £5997.68 – 1 Year Contract
 - b) £6024.00 – 3 Year Contract
 - c) £6053.00 – 5 Year Contract

IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to accept the five year contract from Sissons Gardening Services.

9. POLICE MATTERS

- i) New Police matters – No new police matters to report.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- i) To receive reports from Ridge Ward Councillors: Cllr Foster reported that house burglaries are on the increase – thieves particularly wanting to take car keys. The Lincolnshire lakes project has had some blips but will commence in January 2018. Cllr Foster reminded councillors that the community pot funding will be available within the next financial year and encouraged the parish council to make use of it.
- ii) Review of Action List: The footpath from Gteetwell to Scawby village has not yet been scraped back – it is very narrow in places. Clerk advised that N.L.C have stipulated that this is a low priority footpath but clerk will chase again. The same problem is evident with the footpath from Church Street to the cemetery – clerk to report this to N.L.C. The high volume of traffic to and from Demeter House has not been monitored yet – councillors will try to observe this month.
- iii) Petition Hearing – held on 9th November 2017 - Cllr's Frost, Barker and Gibson attended. The hearing was quite successful with N.L.C agreeing to carry out new monitoring early next year with a review scheduled for March/April 2018.
- iv) North Lincolnshire in Bloom initiative - £1250 awarded. The clerk has submitted an application form for the funding advising N.L.C that the parish council hopes to purchase a log sculpture depicting some of the scenes of Scawby – possibly in the form of a seat and to be situated on Messingham lane junction or Church Street junction (both if funds allow).
- v) North Lincolnshire Community Safety Fund – The meeting was made aware of this initiative and funding and will consider again next meeting. The community camera initiative could be something that falls into this scheme.
- vi) Snow warden – role of. Clerk to place a précis of the snow warden role in the parish magazine, notice boards and websites. Cllr Frost agreed to act as snow warden in the interim.
- vii) New highways matters : The poor surface of Messingham Lane was raised – clerk to ask N.L.C where Messingham lane is in the schedule of works – it is a big job – it cant just be surface dressed.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

- i) Health and Safety incidents at the playing fields and pavilion: No matters to report.
- ii) Playing Field/Football Pitches – management of . The position has been advertised locally and on a website advertising local jobs. No responses received. It was suggested that a meeting be held with Neil Johnson to get full details of the clubs using the pitch so that arrangements can be made for matches within the new year.
- iii) Access to Estate Land which is not a designated public right of way – the clerk had circulated ALL correspondence regarding this matter which had been received up to the time of the meeting.

The chairman summarised that reasons why the wooden gates had been erected (circa 2015/16) in the first place which was to prevent fly tipping and restrict cars using these routes to access the A15 – which was considered dangerous.

One letter of complaint received was regarding the blocking off of Ermine Street to Vicarage Lane (Clugstons track) and access from Ermine Street through Bluebell Wood. Within the letter the resident advised councillors that he felt these tracks had been walked for numerous years by residents and there was therefore a case to claim these tracks as permissive rights of way and to follow the legal procedure in order to achieve this. The resident asked the council to pursue this process on behalf of residents of the parish. Councillors discussed this matter and the Chairman

was asked to suspend standing orders to allow members of the public to speak on this subject. The chairman was reluctant to do so as he felt councillors had sufficient information for both sides of this argument to make a decision. However in order to satisfy the request of the councillor to suspend standing orders he asked all councillor if that was their wish.

MOTION: To suspend standing orders to allow members of the public to contribute to this discussion.

VOTE: 3 votes received in favour, 6 votes received against. Standing Orders were NOT suspended.

The meeting heard that when the school wished to undertake a sponsored walk (approximately 1998) using 'Clugstons Track' as part of their route – permission was sought from the estate as it was recognised that this track was not a public right of way. The estate gave permission in this instance but it was widely known that this track was not a public footpath.

Cllr Mrs Powell felt that it was appropriate and correct to only walk where you are allowed – where it is legal to do so or where the landowner has granted permission.

Cllr Barker stated that he did not feel comfortable completing forms to claim a permissive right of way – on land which he has known not to be a public footpath or right of way since 1988.

MOTION 1 : Not to initiate or support pursuing a claim to a permissive right of way along 'Clugstons Track' and 'Blue Bell wood'. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Powell, seconded by Cllr Barker.

MOTION 2 : To initiate and pursue claiming a permissive right of way along 'Clugstons Track' and 'Blue Bell' wood. Proposed by Cllr S Kemp, seconded by Cllr R T Matthews.

VOTES RECORDED : Motion 2 : 1 vote in favour, 7 against and 1 abstention.

MOTION 1 : 7 votes in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

Motion 1 carried and IT WAS RESOLVED not to pursue a claim for a permissive right of way along these tracks.

A further letter from a resident advised the parish council of the difficulty he is experiencing negotiating access to Ermine Street North and South of Messingham lane since the wooden hand gates have been removed and replaced by N.L.C with metal 'A' frame barriers. These barriers are meant to accommodate all disabled facilities – wheel chairs, motorised scooters etc but they are very narrow and with the ground surface not being good hard core/tarmac access through these gates is extremely difficult. This path is also recognised as a bridle path and it would be very difficult for a horse to pass through these 'A' frames. Clerk to contact N.L.C advising them that access is preventative and the 'A' frame barriers are not suitable. Clerk to forward the residents letter to N.L.C so that the difficulties experienced are made very clear.

iv) Village centre refurbishment – It was suggested that a committee be set up to look into how the village centre can be improved. This will be an agenda item next month.

v) To give consideration to grassing over the small flower bed on West Street service strip and the bed at the end of Church Walk.

IT WAS RESOLVED to grass over the Church Walk bed but clerk to seek clarification on where the West Street service strip bed is.

vi) Tree planting scheme for Scawby – The tree planting scheme seems to have come to a halt as Colin Horton has left N.L.C. Andrea Brocklebank does not know anything about this scheme – clerk to email Tim Allen to try and establish if this tree planting scheme is still scheduled.

vi) Any new village matters:

Footpaths : A number of footpaths around the village require attention – councillors were asked to bring a list of such footpaths to the next meeting so that they can be reported en-bloc to N.L.C.

It was noted that there is a paving slab trip hazard at the pavilion..

Heritage department at N.L.C have objected to the co-op planning application again – if their suggestions are implemented they will withdraw their objection.

12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE - No required until January 2018.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 3rd January 2017

There being no further business The Chairman closed the meeting at 9. 15pm