

THE MINUTES OF THE ‘ZOOM’ MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2020.

In the Chair : Cllr J Frost

Also present: Cllr Mrs T Powell, Cllr Mrs G Siddall, Cllr Mrs M Keyworth, Cllr M Russell, Cllr R Holmes, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr N Askew, Cllr D Gibson, Cllr T Barker, Cllr R T Matthews, Cllr R Johnson.

In attendance : Cllr N Poole, Cllr T Foster, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr S Kemp, Cllr P Johnson, Cllr J England.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – No matters to declare.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ‘ZOOM’ PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4th NOVEMBER 2020**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 4th November 2020 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

i) Dead trees – St Martins Crescent and Nelthorpes main gate – No further update available.

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

a) Application PA/2020/1741 – Application for non material amendment to PA/201/932 namely to change external finish brickwork to render and render part of existing wall to match – Senca, 18 Kirton Road, Greetwell.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.**

6. **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/CLERK :** No reports to receive.

a) Cllr Mrs Keyworth – reported on ‘Meet The Police Commissioner’ meeting. A presentation was provided at this zoom meeting detailing what the Police Commissioner had achieved during his term of office. It was reported that Police morale was higher and neighbourhood policing has returned to Brigg. Work is being undertaken on fraud and scams and a new scheme – smart connect is being established to try and reduce the amount of fraud and scams.

b) Cllr Mrs Keyworth – reported on ERNLLCA AGM. Officers at ERNLLCA were confirmed for the following year and a discussion took place on the content of future ERNLLCA meetings. It was noted that parish councils are invited to put forward motions for consideration at the ERNLLCA AGM.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- CPRE – newsletter
- Email from resident regarding ‘Half way house’ property in Greetwell – Cllr Poole advised that the property is owned by a national company and within this property are 5 rooms to let housing 5 individuals. Planning permission is required for ‘change of use’ which has not been applied for as yet. The owners are disputing that ‘change of use’ is required – N.L.C planning team are pursuing this as they feel ‘change of use’ permission is a requirement. Some residents have been moved out of the property as it was deemed unsuitable for their needs. The meeting felt that vulnerable people were being placed into an unsustainable area.
- N.L.C Playground inspection report
- Clerks and Councils Direct magazine
- Email from resident regarding works within the ‘Oak Avenue’ field – Cllr Poole advised that he had visited the field and the work being undertaken is for archaeological purposes and a decision on this planning application has not been given by N.L.C as yet.

8. FINANCE

i) Accounts to pay and income received.

PAYEE	CHEQUE NO’	AMOUNT
Clerk - Salary - November	BACS	699.25
Clerk - Expenses :		
Mileage – 19.50		
Stationery//photocopying – 11.04		
Stamps - 12.25		
Q’allowance - 80		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	122.79
HMRC	3546	26.60
J Frost – Chairman’s allowance	BACS	140.00
Xero	DD	28.80
Barton Mowing Services	BACS	588.00
Total Gas and Power	DD	27.91
(Electricity at pavilion)		
CPRE membership	BACS	36.00
M D Signs – xmas tree	BACS	48.00
A Sissons – Monthly payment	BACS	554.20
Gratuity Transfer		115.95

(3.75% of salary, transferred quarterly, back paid to 1st April 2020)

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr T Barker and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : VAT rebate: £386.00

ii) The financial statement – The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and variances noted. The budget for grass mowing has been increased to be in line with the grants made available from N.L.C.

iii) To confirm the purchase (under emergency powers) of the bollards to be placed to protect the village hall planter - £480.00.

IT WAS RESOLVED to purchase these bollards with 11 votes in favour and 1 abstention.

9. POLICE MATTERS

i) Community Speed Watch Initiative – This scheme has been suspended until further notice as co-ordinator has had to take unexpected leave. Likely to resume mid January.

The clerk asked Wayne Goodwin for more community speed watch lamp post signs when they are available but unfortunately there will not be a further supply as they have not proved very reliable in their fixing and deemed ineffective.

ii) 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 on the appointment of the new Director of Health for North Lincolnshire who also holds that role in North East Lincs too. Cllr Foster reported that the covid numbers in North Lincolnshire are reducing but not particularly quickly. North Lincolnshire is in tier 3 and this will be reviewed on 16th December 2020. It was also reported that the mobile testing service is working well in the large work places.

Cllr Poole advised the meeting that the support grant – associated with the precept – will be available again for the next financial year with one of the conditions that remote meetings are conducted via Teams or Zoom. The Grove will be marketed by N.L.C next year as the current tenants vacate the property soon.

There has been a number of complaints about the state of rural roads – mud etc – N.L.C will cleaned the roads and invoice those responsible who continually disregard the regulations.

A discussion took place regarding the likely number of covid cases in North Lincolnshire, Cllr Poole advised that he could not comment on numbers but indicated that it is increasingly found in the work place and then taken back to private homes. A discussion also took place regarding certain businesses which were open during lockdown – conveniently stocking products to make their business essential and therefore allowing them to open.

ii) Action List: The hedge from the school to Gainsborough lane xroads has been cut but the pavement is still overgrown and encroached and needs scraping back.

iii) New Highways matters: The footpath from West Street to Gainsborough lane urgently needs resurfacing as it is in a very poor state of repair. Clerk to contact Mick Johnson regarding this matter.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. Health and Safety incidents at the playing fields and pavilion – No matters to report.

ii. To receive the playground inspection report from N.L.C – It was noted that a finger plate is missing from a piece of play equipment which will be rectified.

- iii. MUGA Update – Clerk has written to the senior planning officer for an update but not received a reply as yet. Clerk to forward the email to Ward Councillors who will follow this matter up.
- iv. Refurbishment of village signs – It was unanimously agreed to replace all 8 village signs. Cllr Mrs Powell had received a quotation from MD signs of approximately £512/sign – minimum order 5. No posts or finials are required. The design was circulated to all councillors and agreed. Cllr Mrs Powell will progress this project.
- v. Area of Land at the co-op – The manager at the co-op has suggested that we provide a confirmed idea for the use of the land at the store and he will then seek permission from his head office. It was agreed that this subject would be discussed at the January meeting and the confirmed proposal would be put forward to the co-op after this meeting.
- vi. BNLL – Out of hours straw deliveries – A response to the complaints about ‘out of hours’ deliveries from Colin Jones has been received which implied that such deliveries are few and far between. This is not the residents of Scawby Brooks view. A further matter of all the litter, rubbish and human waste deposited within the area (presumably generated by the lorries waiting for access to the site) was discussed. The clerk has written to the environmental health team at N.L.C regarding this problem but no response has been received as yet.
Cllr Holmes will send photographic evidence of this litter and waste for the clerk to send on to N.L.C environmental health with the ward councillors copied in so that they might help progress this problem and encourage N.L.C officers (Mick Johnson) to organise a clean up in the area due to it being a public health hazard.
It was also agreed that the clerk would ask Colin Jones of BNLL to attend the next parish council meeting.
- vii. Christmas tree update – the tree is in position and dressed.
- viii. New village matters: Cllr Mrs Chamberlain mentioned the large poppies on the lamp posts in Broughton and suggested this might be an idea for Scawby next year at Remembrance time. It was suggested that sponsors might be forthcoming for these poppies. Cllr Mrs Chamberlain also reminded the meeting that the planting of a copse at the playing fields had been discussed sometime ago and that she would make further investigations regarding the possibility of sapling trees to progress this project.
Cllr R Johnson advised the meeting that the hedge from the village to Broughton crossroads has been cut on the east side but the west side still needs cutting.
The finger post refurbishment is progressing. The post is metal but the name posts are wooden – Mr Powell will kindly refurbish this sign in the new year.
Cllr Mrs Siddall commented that the village Christmas tree looks really good.
Cllr Frost advised that the BT box on the village green has been refurbished by Cllr Johnson and work has commenced on the BT box at Gainsborough lane with new panes installed and it has been painted. Ideas for how this BT box will be used will be discussed next month.
Cllr Frost asked councillors to bring to the January meeting any ideas for projects for the next financial year so that these projects can be built into the budget.
Cllr Frost circulated a cycle/walkway map which indicates where the new routes in Lincolnshire are being planned.

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A resident has enquired about sponsoring the flower bed on Messingham lane corner.

This bed is already sponsored – there are 2 smaller beds along Messingham lane. Clerk to ask the resident if he will consider sponsoring the 2 smaller beds.

The house which is in a poor state (Ivy House) was mentioned again – clerk to ask Cllr neil poole if he had made enquiries at N.L.C regarding this property.

12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE

No content is required until after the January meeting.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Precept

BT box – Gainsborough Lane

Area of land at the co-op – ideas

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 6th January 2021– 7.00pm

There being no further business The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm