

THE MINUTES OF THE ‘ZOOM’ MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6th JANUARY 2021.

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, Cllr S Kemp.

In attendance : Cllr N Poole, Cllr T Foster, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.
Colin Jones (BNLL) and one member of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES:** 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 2nd DECEMBER 2020

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 2nd December 2020 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS

i) Spring In Bloom – community grant will be available again this year – clerk to complete the application form.

The Chairman asked councillors for permission to bring forward agenda items 11(vii) and 10(i). The meeting agreed.

11(vii) BNLL – out of hours straw deliveries/litter and waste (clean-up) – response from N.L.C, Enforcement Officer and Environmental Health.

Colin Jones (BNLL) advised the meeting that he had spoken to the environmental team at N.L.C and Cllr Neil Poole about the concerns expressed by the residents. Colin Jones has agreed some actions – including a litter pick/clean up by N.L.C – but no firm date has been agreed for this action as yet. Colin Jones advised the meeting that he will put a skip/bin just inside the gates of the plant for drivers to dispose of their litter and he will advise all drivers that they have to be responsible for their own litter and will also put signs up on the access road to the plant advising ‘No Littering’. Colin Jones did not feel it would be appropriate to put waste bins on the approach road as this might encourage drivers to park up on this road. Colin Jones advised the meeting that highways and/or the Police will not enforce parking on this approach road as it is not illegal and drivers can legally park on this stretch of road.

Cllr Poole advised the meeting that he felt a clean up of this area should be a joint approach by N.L.C and BNLL and advised that he would arrange a meeting with representatives of N.L.C and BNLL as soon as possible. **Clerks Note:** This meeting has been arranged for week commencing 11/1/21.

Cllr Holmes suggested to Colin Jones that drivers should be told that they are responsible for their own litter and that there would be penalties imposed if they are not found to be behaving in an appropriate manner.

Cllr Mrs Powell asked Colin Jones if he had experienced this problem at any of his other sites to which he replied that lorries did park up and wait for a site to open but there had never been a littering problem elsewhere.

Cllr Holmes advised Colin Jones of the problems for residents associated with the lorries arriving at site outside the designated arrival and departure times. He advised Colin Jones that the residents of Scawby Brook had very different views to Colin Jones on the number of vehicles which are arriving and departing outside the designated times. Cllr Holmes advised Colin Jones that the intention of these designated delivery/exit times suggested by the planning inspectorate was to ensure that residents of Scawby Brook were allowed some to enjoy some quality, peaceful time and this unfortunately is not being allowed. It is the movement of these vehicles to site – outside the designated hours- which is causing the distress to the residents and a lack of respect to residents from BNLL.

Cllr Holmes advised of the following vehicle numbers parked up on the entrance road waiting for the site to open:

7/12/20 – 3

9/12/20 – 6

10/12/20 – 2

11/12/20 – 1

All these lorries have caused noise disturbance to residents outside the designated times and have contributed to the litter problem along the access road.

Colin Jones advised the meeting that the data indicates that the plant do not encourage lorries to arrive at the site prior to the site opening hours. He advised that the plant makes every effort to ensure that the lorries are away from the site prior to 7pm. Colin Jones advised that he has no control over the drivers on the public highway the only control he has is when he opens and closes the site. Colin Jones asked if double yellow lines or signs indicating no parking might be appropriate but there is always the risk that the problem is moved elsewhere.

Cllr Gibson suggested to Colin Jones that he should advise the hauliers that if they do not adhere to the site regulations then they will be removed from the list of approved hauliers.

Cllr Poole suggested that BNLL could put more pressure on the hauliers to fall into line – the plant feeds the hauliers – they need to comply to keep their contracts. Similar pressure could also be applied with regard to litter, human waste disposal and general standards of behaviour.

Colin Jones advised the meeting that he would commit to doing the best they can to get better behaviour from hauliers and advised they have cancelled hauliers contracts in the past when they haven't adhered to site regulations.

The Chairman thanked Colin Jones for attending the meeting and Colin Jones left at this point.

10 (i) To receive reports from Ridge Ward Councillors

Cllr T Foster advised the meeting of the latest Covid figures in Northern Lincolnshire – they are very high and appear to be increasing and the meeting was advised that everyone should adhere to the lock down regulations.

Cllr Poole advised the meeting that he would get a clean up operation at the BNLL site organised as soon as possible.

N.L.C are redeploying staff to cope with the covid pandemic but are still providing all the essential services to residents of North Lincolnshire. Cllr Poole advised that N.L.C will do

everything possible to keep people safe during this time. The vaccination scheme has commenced and the new vaccine is easier to administer.

Ridge Ward issues: Roads are being left in a poor state – mud on roads etc – these matters are being pursued to ensure that farmers etc clean up after works have taken place.

Ridge Ward traffic issues – matters raised within the Ridge Ward traffic meeting are being followed up including the possibility of a one way system through the various villages. Most of the villages within the Ridge Ward are receptive to these initiatives and recognise that it is important for the villages to work collectively to influence the planners for the conditions imposed on operators when applying for planning permission.

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

a) Application PA/202/1982 – Planning permission to demolish attached garage, erect two storey side extension and build a detached garage – 6 Woodlands Cottage, Messingham lane, Scawby.

Cllr Barker expressed his concerns regarding the positioning of the garage in that it appeared to be located in front of the natural building line of the properties on Messingham Lane.

MOTION: No Objections or Comments : Proposed by Cllr R Johnson, seconded by Cllr R Holmes with 10 votes recorded in favour of this motion, 2 abstentions and 1 objection.

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

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

a) Cllr Mrs Keyworth – reported on the town and parish council liaison meeting. The following subjects were discussed:

- Town and parish Council meetings are encouraged to continue remotely.
- The Public Health consultant provided an update on the Covid situation In North Lincolnshire.
- Presentation on how N.L.C will help vulnerable people during this pandemic with funding – advice on what is available can be obtained from the citizens advice bureau. School meal vouchers and winter planning was also discussed.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Emails from residents regarding ‘Half way house’ property in Greetwell.
- Email – Planning department regarding MUGA application
- Barton Mowing services – quotation for 2021.
- MD Signs – quotation
- Clare Welford – Fraudulent texts regarding Covid-19 advice.

8. FINANCE

i) Accounts to pay and income received.

PAYEE	CHEQUE NO'	AMOUNT
Linden Nurseries (Summer and winter plants)	BACS	2,845.55
Clerk - Salary - December	BACS	699.25
Clerk - Expenses :		
Mileage – 19.50		
Stationery//photocopying – 12.04		
Stamps - 11.05		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	42.79
HMRC	3547	26.60
Sissons Gardening Services (Monthly payment - December)	BACS	554.20
Xero	DD	28.80
Opus Energy – War memorial	DD	18.84
Total Gas and Power (Electricity at pavilion)	DD	33.56
Information Commissioner	3548	40.00
A Sissons – leaf clearing Mess Lane	BACS	85.00
Barton Mowing Services	BACS	318.00

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr T Powell and seconded by Cllr M Keyworth and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : £2.30 – Wayleave payment – Northern Powergrid.

ii) The financial statement – The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and variances noted.

iii) To receive the quotation from Barton Mowing services for grass mowing at the football pitches and agree their services for the 2021 season. **NB – No price increases for 2021.**

IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to accept the quotation from Barton Mowing Services for the 2021 season.

iv) To give consideration to and set the precept for the financial year 2021/22

The Chairman asked councillors if they had any suggestions for projects to be considered within the 2021/22 budget. Cllr Barker suggested that some of the village groups (particularly those using the village hall) which have not been able to meet due to pandemic may need financial help to re-establish or indeed new groups may need financial help in order to form once the pandemic is over. Cllr Matthews suggested increasing the S137 budget so that money is available should any of these groups need help. The meeting agreed to this suggestion.

Cllr Barker suggested that the area of land at the co-op should be included within the 2021/22 budget as a small capital project – as the meeting could not agree specifically how this land could be used it was agreed that any money required for this project during 2021/2 could be taken from the village incidentals budget.

Cllr Johnson suggested building/planning a budget to celebrate the Queens Platinum jubilee which will be held in 2022 which also coincides with the 50th anniversary of the village hall. It was agreed to include a budget of £2,000 to commence both these celebration projects.

Cllr Holmes suggested a budget to embellish Scawby Brook – perhaps increase the number of planters/flower beds and provide a further bench. It was agreed to use the village enhancement budget for this suggestion.

IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to request a precept of £35,000 and accept the N.L.C support grant.

Cllr Johnson left the meeting at this point.

9. POLICE MATTERS

i) New Police matters: No new Police matters to report.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

i) See earlier minutes.

ii) Action List: Cllr Poole advised the meeting that N.L.C were supporting a tree planting initiative and Andy Taylor at N.L.C could be contacted to get information on funding / help available.

No progress has been made as yet with the deteriorating house in the village – Cllr Poole will progress.

56 Kirton Road – This property is in the hands of the legal team at N.L.C. Notice has been served on the owners of the property but until a decision has been made in the courts the owners of the property can still operate. Cllr Holmes advised Cllr Poole about the covenants on the property and Cllr Poole advised that this information has been handed onto the legal team to be used in submission.

iii) New Highways matters: The posts for the sign at Sturton are now missing along with the Sturton sign.

It was noted that there is not a pavement out of Gainsborough Lane to the cemetery – Cllr Poole suggested that a cycle path/pavement should be applied for – it may be more favourably looked upon.

Cllr Russell advised the meeting that the trees along Messingham Lane will be cut back shortly to avoid branches touching the power lines.

Pot holes are still evident on Oak Avenue.

It was noted that Kcom are considering putting fibre into the village to premises – all residents should record their interest in this to encourage the company to pursue this.

Cllr Mrs Powell asked ward Councillors if the N.L.C village signs for Greetwell and Scawby could be changed for the bespoke village signs being made for Scawby. The clerk has contacted Mick Johnson to ask permission to change these signs.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

- i. Health and Safety incidents at the playing fields and pavilion – No matters to report.
- ii. MUGA Update – Clerk has written to the senior planning officer for an update and was advised that a decision on this planning application is imminent. Clerk will follow up again.
- iii. Refurbishment of village signs – 8 signs have been ordered at a total cost of £3,875.00
A metal strap sign has been requested for Greetwell and Sturton and a quotation is anticipated.
- iv. Property – 56 Kirton Road, Greetwell – see item 10(ii).
- v. Area of Land at the co-op – It was thought that this area of land may stay as it is for the present moment in time.
- vi. BT Box – Gainsborough lane – A discussion took place regarding a picture board, book swap facility. This matter will continue to be considered/investigated.
- vii. BNLL – Out of hours straw deliveries – see earlier minutes.
- viii. New village matters: Cllr Mrs Powell advised the meeting that the gates to the cemetery required refurbishing – if N.L.C are not able/willing to do this – could the parish council take this task on? Clerk to ask N.L.C cemetery department if they are able to refurbish the gates.

Cllr Matthews asked the clerk to make the following investigations to the cemetery superintendent:

- a) The size of the cemetery
- b) The life expectancy of the cemetery
- c) When the cemetery is full will it be extended or will it be closed ?
- d) Improvements required to the plot location board – it is not clear enough (Cllr Mrs Keyworth).

Cllr Frost advised the meeting that the moles are still a problem at the playing fields and moles are also evident in the churchyard – Cllr Frost will speak to Ruth Illman regarding this matter. Cllr Frost will also speak to Ruth Illman regarding the churchyard grass cutting for the forthcoming mowing season.

There is a leak at the pavilion – no damage being incurred as the leak is falling outside but repairs will be necessary.

It was noted that the grass verge on Brigg Road has been badly churned up by a farm vehicle.

Cllr Frost suggested that the parish council consider making a new Scawby sign for the playing fields – to match the new signs being manufactured.

12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 3rd February 2021– 7.00pm

There being no further business The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10 pm