

**THE MINUTES OF THE ‘ZOOM’ MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 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 S Kemp.

**In attendance :** Cllr N Poole, Cllr T Foster, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.  
Two members of the public.

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1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr P Johnson, Cllr R Johnson, Cllr J England.

It was agreed to extend the leave of absence dispensation for Cllr Peter Johnson until May 2021 – the Annual Council Meeting.

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

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ‘ZOOM’ PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021**

**IT WAS RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 6th January 2021 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

i) No matters to report.

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

a) Application PA/2021/27 – Application for determination of the requirement for prior approval for an agricultural building – Brook Farm, Scawby Road, Scawby Brook.

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

b) Application PA/2020/1960 – Planning permission to erect a single storey rear extension – The Old Reading Room, 9 Vicarage lane, Scawby.

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

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

a) Cllr J Frost attended the webinar on fraud.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Email from resident regarding planning application 2020/1982
- L.I.V.E.S – letter requesting donation
- Clerks and Councils Direct magazine

**8. FINANCE**

i) Accounts to pay and income received.

<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>CHEQUE NO'</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Clerk - Salary - January	BACS	699.43
Clerk - Expenses :		
Mileage – 19.50		
Stationery//photocopying – 12.12		
Stamps - 16.32		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>BACS</b>	<b>47.97</b>
HMRC	3549	26.40
Sissons Gardening Services (Monthly payment - January)	BACS	554.20
Sissons – pitch rolling	BACS	200.00
Qudos Homes (Flower beds at V. Hall & Bollards)	BACS	2,239.75
Xero	DD	28.80
Opus Energy – War memorial	DD	6.69
Total Gas and Power	DD	16.63
Total Gas and Power (Electricity at pavilion)	DD	18.02
MD Signs	BACS	4,254.91

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

**INCOME RECEIVED :** Brigg Town junior Football team - £160.00

ii) The financial statement – The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and variances on war memorial electricity, income tax, clerks salary and village repairs and incidentals were noted.

**9. POLICE MATTERS**

i) New Police matters: Cllr Mrs Keyworth reported that there had been instances in the locality of the theft of valuable dogs.

**10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

i) To receive reports from Ridge Ward Councillors

Cllr Foster reported that the latest covid figure for North Lincolnshire is 118 in 100,000 which is low nationally but vigilance is still very much required. Cllr Holmes asked if there had been any instances of the breach of covid regulations in this area – Cllr Foster advised that he was not aware but would find out if there had been any instances. It was noted that a vaccination centre in Kirton Lindsey and a chemist in Ashby Road have been established to undertake the covid vaccinations.

Cllr Poole advised that a virtual meeting with BNLL representatives and representatives from N.L.C highways and environmental teams has taken place to discuss and make arrangements for a clean up in the vicinity of the BNLL plant.

The Grove property is currently being actively marketed by N.L.C – Cllr Poole suggested the parish council discuss what they feel a suitable/acceptable use for The Grove property would be and advise the ward councillors so that these views can be taken into consideration when offers for this property are being considered. It was agreed to have this as an agenda item at the next PC meeting. Cllr Keyworth asked how the property was being marketed and it is through Rightmove and the N.L.C in house team.

Cllr Holmes asked Cllr Poole if he knew why less straw is being delivered to the plant and it is assumed that there may be a shortage of supply leading to a high price which is resulting in less loads being delivered.

Cllr Russell brought to the meetings attention that there are two major planning applications in the village at the moment and the application off Martins Road has gone to appeal. The application off Oak Avenue has had a revised site plan submitted and the parish council will be formally notified of this in due course and will have 2 weeks to respond. Cllr Holmes asked if the archaeological survey brought anything to light – clerk advised that any new information will be presented on the portal in due course and available for the re-consultation.

Cllr Siddall expressed concern regarding the previous flooding of The Rookery and asked for reassurance that any new development in the village would not adversely affect existing properties. NB Cllr Poole advised (after the meeting) that the drain at The Rookery is the responsibility of The Estate – clerk to advise The Estate accordingly.

ii) Action List: Cllr Frost is looking at the benches in the village and will report on any actions required. The request for a Cherry tree at the corner of Gainsborough Lane has not been progressed. Cllr Chamberlain will discuss with the resident who requested this tree and try to move this forward.

No progress has been made with the request for a sponsored flower bed on Messingham Lane – clerk to make contact with the resident again and try to progress. Trees are available through the Woodland Trust – the officer at N.L.C with responsibility for trees etc is Andy Taylor.

An email has been received from a resident reading various environmental matters within the village. The chairman and clerk have considered the points raised and the clerk will respond.

N.L.C have indicated that they would be happy for the parish council to undertake the refurbishment of the gates at the cemetery – they need rubbing down, sanding and painting – Cllr Mrs Powell kindly agreed to take this task on. N.L.C have indicated that the information boards at all their cemetery's need attention and improvement and they will be undertaking this work in due course.

The clerk had received the requested information from the cemetery superintendant at N.L.C and this information had been circulated to all councillors. Cllr Matthews indicated that he would consider the information received and report back to the parish council in due course.

It was agreed that a small group of councillors will progress the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations planned for the village in 2022.

iii) New Highways matters: Pot holes require attention at the bottom of Messingham lane at the junction. Dog fouling is particularly bad throughout the village at the moment. It was noted that Ermine Street – a popular waling route for residents is really filthy at and requires a clean up. A discussion took place regarding the damaged verges around the village – there are a number of them – with the verges being very soft due to the heavy rainfall they damage very easily. It was noted that they may need reinstating – Cllr Frost to monitor and it might be that Andy Sissons will have to undertake some remedial work.

Cllr Keyworth advised that the parish magazine is not being delivered at the moment due to covid regulations but copies are available in the Post Office and co-op store.

## 11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

- i. Health and Safety incidents at the playing fields and pavilion.
- ii. MUGA – Sports England raised some concerns regarding the MUGA application which have been responded to and it is hoped that Sports England will withdraw their objection/concerns to this MUGA application shortly and hopefully the planning application will then proceed.
- iii. Refurbishment of village signs – the signs are being manufactured and will be ready for installation shortly.
- iv. Area of land at co-op – allocated for a community project – this matter will be revisited in the summer.
- v. BT Box – Gainsborough Lane – Three suggestions for use of this telephone box were made a) Flower displays outside the box b) Book exchange c) Pictures/photographs  
Cllr Mrs Kemp expressed reservations in that flowers in planters/troughs need consistent watering and books could lead to a fire hazard.  
It was noted that the Gainsborough lane telephone box had to be the one for pictures and books as this telephone box is weather proof.  
Cllr Barker agreed to talk to the village school regarding the children providing pictures.  
It was agreed that a decision will be made in April as to the possibility of planting up the telephone box on the village green.
- vi. BNLL – Clean up of litter and waste within the plant vicinity – see Item 10(i)
- vii. Church Yard Grass mowing – Andy Sissons will discuss with representatives from the church their requirements for the 2021 mowing season.
- viii. To give consideration to a new sign at the playing fields – Cllr Frost suggested placing one of the ‘old’ Scawby village signs at the playing fields with a plaque underneath indicating ‘Playing Fields’. This matter will be discussed once the new village signs are in place.
- ix. New village matters- Cllr Mrs Askew brought to the attention of the meeting the signs which have been erected indicating ‘No trespassing/No public right of way’ in an area of the village – it was reported that it is possible to walk around the lakes at the Park if you hold a permit.  
Cllr Mrs Powell advised the meeting that the path between Church Street and Chapel Lane needs clearing of weeds. It was noted that this area is flooded at the present moment in time but A Sissons will investigate/clear when the water subsides.  
The second plaque at the war memorial still requires concreting in - Cllr Gibson will contact Techcrete – but they have been operating with reduced staff due to covid.  
A new ‘Face book’ site – Scawby Notice Board has been established – this is an independent site (not connected to the Parish Council or SET) where local notices can be posted.  
It was reported that there are a lot of bin bags are in a garden in Queens Court – clerks note: these bags are within the property boundary and not a parish council matter.

Cllr Holmes asked if any progress has been made with the property on West Street which looks rather unkempt – Cllr Frost will take a photograph and send to the clerk who will investigate if anything can be done about this property.

Cllr Frost advised members that there is a link on the NL.C website to put forward your views on walking routes and cycle routes in North Lincolnshire.

A discussion took place clarification provided regarding walking routes and official/recognised public footpaths in Scawby.

Cllr Frost brought up the subject of ‘Neighbourhood Plans’ and indicated that he thought these plans were more relevant to towns. The clerk has information relating to S106 money (money available to parishes from development) and how this might – in the future- be safeguarded for the parish if a neighbourhood plan has been undertaken. The clerk will make further investigations and report back to the council.

A visitor to the play area had been disturbed by a loose dog approaching her grandchild and frightening the child and asked the parish council if there was a policy for dogs within the play area. It was agreed that signs will be purchased asking for all dogs within the confines of the play area to be kept on a lead. It was agreed to purchase 6 signs.

A discussion took place regarding the area being a dog free zone but this is very difficult to enforce and the meeting felt signs requesting that dogs be kept on a lead in this specific area was more appropriate. Cllr Mrs Powell agreed to get a proof and quote for the required signs.

**12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE**

Grass verges – Do not drive/park on the grass verges - consider and protect them.  
The Grove – ideas for acceptable use.

**13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING**

**14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021– 7.00pm**

**There being no further business The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.56 pm**