

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2022 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

In the Chair : : Cllr T Barker

Also present: Cllr J Frost, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr T Powell, Cllr R Holmes, Cllr G Siddall, Cllr N Askew, Cllr M Keyworth, Cllr R Coleman, Cllr R Johnson.

In attendance: Cllr T Foster, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk. 6 members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr S Kemp, Cllr D Gibson, Cllr M Russell, Cllr J England, Cllr T Foster and Cllr N Poole.

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

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5th OCTOBER 2022.**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 5th October 2022 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- Neighbourhood Plan – clerk to invite Appleby Chairman to address the parish council on this subject in the new year.
- Request for meeting to discuss the HGV traffic travelling through Scawby and in particular using Church Street as a thoroughfare – Richard Hall of N.L.C has provided data from monitoring undertaken in 2018 along West Street. The clerk has asked Mr Hall to monitor the flow of HGV traffic on Messingham Lane and Church Street and Mr Hall has advised that this is likely to be undertaken in the new year.
- Zip Wire repairs – the quarterly playground inspection has been undertaken which highlights the broken and missing plastic finger guard and damaged wood to the bottom of the run up ramp.. The inspection report also notes attention is required to the Witches hat in that the fixings are loose on the pole at the bottom. Cllr's Frost, Barker and Johnson will look into these matters.

5. **TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY:**

- a) Mr Marshall Morgan
- b) Mr Nick Barlow
- c) Mr Andrew Hall

Councillors were delighted that there were 3 applicants for the one vacancy on the parish council. It was noted that all the applicants were worthy to serve on the parish council. The parish council felt that it would be a good idea to have further representative on the parish council from someone who lived outside the main village of Scawby and therefore felt that Mr Hall who resides in Scawby Brook would be a suitable candidate on this occasion.

IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to co-op Mr Hall to the parish council.

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

Cllr Mrs Powell reported on the planning committee meeting held at North Lincolnshire Council offices where the planning application for Sturton was heard. Planning permission for this application was refused.

- i. Application PA/2022/1705 – Planning permission to install 84 reservoir storage units(RSU's), 28 reservoir inverter units(RIUs) and associated works – Power Station, Access roads to Power station, Scawby Brook.

It was noted that the transport plan within this application is the same as the plan for the straw plant . There are likely to be up to 10 vehicles/day and the build is likely to last 6 months.

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

7. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS/CLERK WHO HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS, REPRESENTING SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL.

Cllr's Keyworth and Holmes attended the ERNLLCA district meeting which discussed the forthcoming elections in May 2023. The election time table will be distributed in due course.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Community grants team – 'In Bloom' grant information
- Email from resident regarding various issues at Scawby Brook
- Email from resident regarding the possibility of offering a heat bank in one of the community buildings – village hall or church

The village hall committee have discussed this suggestion and felt that the small committee room could be made available (if the main hall is rented out) as these rooms are on the same heating loop. The coffee morning in the village hall could be used as a heat bank for people but numbers at this gathering have to be monitored. The Church is open on a Wednesday after the service but the heating is obviously limited. The coffee morning or the Church are possibly the best the village can offer as a heat bank but there are the issues of who is going to organise this initiative and the insurance implications. In conclusion this initiative is a good idea but will there be sufficient need locally and the practicalities of providing this service will be quite difficult.

- Email T Nelthorpe regarding the Nelthorpe School Charity – agenda for January meeting.
- Ridge ward NATS meeting minutes

8. FINANCE

Payee		Amount
Clerk – Salary - Nov	BACS	609.06
Clerk - Expenses :		
Stationery//photocopying – 10.61		
Stamps - 10.88		
Travel – 19.50		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	40.99
HMRC – Clerks tax	BACS	10.60
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	764.63
(Monthly payment – Oct)		
Anglian Water	BACS	51.29
Hetts Johnson Whiting	BACS	900.00
Screw Fix	BACS	52.44
J Frost (Notice board)	BACS	129.96
Kyanite consulting – website	BACS	156.10
Opus Energy	DD	37.09
Xero	DD	33.60
CPRE membership	3553	36.00
T Powell(wood for BT box)	BACS	26.94
Carr lane Nurseries (Plants)	BACS	1,210.40
A Sissons	BACS	2,158.44
NBB Recycled furniture	BACS	635.76
(Messingham lane bench)		

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr R Coleman and seconded by Cllr J Frost and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : October: VAT: £1,888.18, Allbones rent- £900.

ii. The financial statement – The financial statement was considered and approved. One variance was noted of a £10 overspend on insurance.

iii. To discuss and set the precept for 2023/4. The budget for 2023/4 was discussed at length and it was noted that at the end of the 2022/3 financial year there is likely to be a surplus of approximately £39,000.

Projects for 2023/4 which need consideration within the budget are: Planting group, youth shelter or other play equipment to utilise the S106 money, playing fields refurbishment and substantive planting and radar activated speed signs. It was agreed that £7,000 would be allocated to the planting budget – to include the playing fields, the youth shelter or play area would be self funding through the S106 money and the clerk will apply for a £6,000 grant for the speed signs and if received a further amount of money would be built into the budget to allow this project to progress.

Taking all the annual spend and the proposed new projects into consideration if the precept remains at £35,000 there will be a surplus of approximately £9,700 at the end of the 2023/4 financial year. **IT WAS RESOLVED** unanimously to request a precept of £35,000 for the 2023/4 financial year.

9. POLICE MATTERS

i) New Police matters: Cllr Mrs Keyworth reported an unpleasant incident whilst driving back from Brigg to Scawby. Two young people were out on their bikes in the dark without lights – she stopped to advise them that this was very dangerous as they were not visible to drivers – where upon they shone a very bright light in her eyes (temporarily blinding her) and accused her of stalking them. Cllr Keyworth suggested to councillors that if she saw young people on bikes in the dark again she would not be stopping to try and help them.

Cllr Coleman advised councillors that a number of houses in the village had had their doors tried (to see if they were unlocked). He suggested to everyone to keep their doors locked at all times.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

i. To receive reports from Ridge Ward Councillors: No reports to receive.

ii. Highways update from M Johnson (N.L.C) and to receive the highway works schedule. The clerk has requested an update and the highways schedule a number of times but no response from M Johnson received. Cllr Barker has also requested this information. The clerk was asked to write to Cllr R Waltham advising that this lack of response is unsatisfactory.

iii. Radar activated speed signs: See minute 8(iii).

iv. Review of action list : It was suggested that a coordinator for a litter picking group would be useful. The bench repairs are well underway and will be finalised shortly. The ‘Stepping Back In Time’ book has sold well and a reimbursement donation to the parish council of £450 has been received.

v. New highways matters: It was noted that trees on the Messingham lane junction – possibly 3 trees – need pollarding. Clerk to contact N.L.C. The Willow tree on the village green also requires attention.

The hedge from a property on Walnut Drive is infringing the pavement and needs cutting back – clerk to report to N.L.C.

Cllr Mrs Keyworth reported that her utility had flooded recently due to the poor drainage on Church Street. Church Street also suffered power failure recently when KCOM cut through a cable – up to 50 properties were affected.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. Health and safety incidents at the playing fields : The playground inspection report has been received – see minute item 4.

ii. S106 money - £7,349.13 – Cllr Johnson indicated that he was unsure that a youth shelter would be the right piece of equipment at the playing fields and was concerned that it might encourage anti social behaviour. Cllr Askew suggested a ‘toddler trail’ which is a simple idea of painting a track, onto a hard surface, for toddlers to follow on their bikes/scooters. This idea will be investigated and a quotation sought for consideration by the council.

iii. Jubilee Garden/Mini Orchard – The new bench will hopefully be fitted on Sunday.

- iv. Planting committee and agreement for the 'In Bloom' grant application- Cllr Mrs Chamberlain reported that they had held an excellent meeting with the planting committee and various ideas have been put forward to improve the community planting in the village. It is the intention of the planting committee to hold an 'open' meeting in due course, to encourage residents to become involved and take ownership of the village planting and perhaps undertake some watering etc. It was agreed that the line of communication to Andy Sissons will be Cllr's Barker, Frost, Chamberlain or Siddall. It was noted that A Sissons has been asked to trim back the piece of land on Francis Gardens and the planting committee will make arrangements to have this area planted.
The first task the planting committee will undertake is the enlargement of the Castlethorpe Corner flower bed which Cllr Holmes is overseeing.
It was agreed that the 'In Bloom' grant application will be submitted to N.L.C with the refurbishment, enlarging and planting of the flower beds on Mill Croft, corner of Messingham lane, Sturton crossroads and Vicarage lane – end of Church Walk.
- v. Remembrance Sunday and Lamp Post Poppies – The lamp post poppies have been put up. On Sunday 13th November people will meet at the village hall at 10.00 for coffee and leave at approximately 10.30 to arrive at Church for 10.45am. On Friday there will be a laying of a wreath at the war memorial at 11.00am. Both wreaths have been delivered to the chairman.
- vi. Defibrillators – advertising – to be discussed next month.
- vii. Scawby Brook: to give consideration to the following issues on Silverside lane & River Meadow, Scawby Brook and agree a course of action:
 - a) The condition of verges and footpaths
 - b) Flooding and sewerage problems to properties at the end of River Meadow and the cottages
 - c) Ownership of the road at the end of Silverside lane and responsibility for maintenance
 - d) Clearing of the beck and dyke to prevent flooding.
 - e) Possibility of business being run from a property on River Meadow – update.Items a – d will be discussed next month.
Item e – the enforcement officer has contacted the clerk and requested further details. The main problem is that there are many vehicles parked at and around the property in question which blocks the road and the verges and footpaths are also been parked on.
- viii. To give consideration to providing memorial benches at the new garden area at the playing fields – to discuss next month.
- ix. Any new village matters: Cllr Johnson mentioned that the verges at Greetwell require a further cut before this service ceases for the winter period.

12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE - Clerk to write.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING – none requested.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 14th December 2022 - 7.00pm.