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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

In the Chair : Cllr T Powell

Also present: Cllr J Frost, Cllr T Barker, Cllr G Siddall, Cllr R Holmes,
Cllr M Keyworth, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr R Coleman, Cllr A Hall, Cllr S Kemp,
Cllr M Russel, Cllr R Johnson, Cllr N Askew, Cllr N Barlow.

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

PUBLIC FORUM

No matters raised in Public Forum.

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr J Lee.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** Cllr N Barlow : Item 5(a). Cllr C Ross : All planning applications – Ward Councillor who is a member of the N.L.C planning committee.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 4th OCTOBER 2023.**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 4th October 2023 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- Messingham Lane/Vicarage lane corner: Cllr Barker advised the meeting that if the Ivy from some of the trees on this corner was removed it may allow a little more light in this vicinity. Cllr's Barker and Johnson will ask the resident and if permission granted they will arrange to have the ivy removed from the trees. The street light on this junction is out – Cllr Johnson will report.

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

Cllr Ross left the room as did Cllr Barlow for Item 5 (a).

a) Application PA/2023/1652 – Planning permission to convert garage into living space, addition of a detached garage, first floor extension to existing single storey, first floor balcony and side extension to south elevation and single storey side extension to north elevation, to change material finishes to existing dwelling – Birch House, Mill Lane, Scawby.

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

b) Application 2023/1675 – Planning permission to extend height of existing boundary fencing – Pas De Chat, Main Street, Sturton.

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

c) Application PA/2023/1703 – Planning permission to replace an existing wooden decking structure with steps leading to the front, side and back of property – 51 Gainsborough lane, Scawby.

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

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

- Cllr Keyworth attended the recent N.L.C district meeting/ERNLLCA on 26/10/23. At this meeting a representative of a company call utility aid gave a presentation advising that they work with parish councils and charities to achieve a reduction in energy costs. It was also noted that charging points installed at village halls can be a source of revenue.
- Cllr's Powell and Johnson attended Broughton Town Council Civic Service which was a very enjoyable occasion.

7. VOTING PROCEDURES – To receive the papers relating to correct/advised voting procedures at parish councils and to agree the voting format for Scawby PC

MOTION: To adopt the voting procedure advice provided by ERNLLCA – proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Barker – 13 votes in favour, 1 against.

8. WHOLE COUNCIL TRAINING : Provided by ERNLLCA

IT WAS RESOLVED to try and arrange whole council training. Clerk to get some possible dates from ERNLLCA, circulate and try to book the whole council training.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter. ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Email : D Gibson regarding Remembrance Day service
- Countryside Voices magazine
- Letter from Greetwell resident regarding the closure of the 'Just Go' service – clerk responded.

10. FINANCE

| Payee | | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Clerk – salary – October | BACS | 663.00 |
| Clerk - Expenses : | | |
| Stationery//photocopying – 19.10 | | |
| Stamps - 18.25. Travel – 19.50 | | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | BACS | 56.85 |
| Sissons Gardening Services | BACS | 764.63 |
| (October contract charge) | | |
| Kyanite Consulting – website | BACS | 158.44 |
| Glasdon – bench for playing field | BACS | 758.12 |
| Anglian Water | BACS | 15.72 |
| Hetts Johnson Whiting | BACS | 900.00 |
| J Phillips – plants | BACS | 113.89 |
| A Sissons | BACS | 2,450.13 |
| Barton Mowing Services | BACS | 534.00 |
| Opus Energy | DD | 50.18 |
| Xero | DD | 36.00 |

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr G Siddall and seconded by Cllr R Holmes and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : October : Allbones - £900.00, VAT rebate(Q2) - £394.22

ii. The financial statement – The financial statement for the financial year 2023/4 was circulated at the meeting and approved. Overspends were noted on administration due to the donation provided to the village hall(Techcrete) and playing field incidentals due to the installation of the cycle track which was not within the budget however a grant(Techcrete) had been obtained to cover this expenditure.

11. POLICE MATTERS

i) NATS report – No matters to report.

ii) New Police matters: Cllr Powell advised that the Police do not have the power to remove vehicles from the highway – this is now dealt with by the DVLA.

12. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

i. To receive reports from Broughton & Scawby Ward Councillors: Cllr Ross advised that the hedge cuttings have now been cleared from the footpath at Sturton. The Safer Neighbourhood stickers are currently being printed and will be distributed when available. The man hole cover outside the Chinese needs replacing with a cast iron cover – Cllr Ross will speak to Mick Johnson and arrange for it to be replaced. There is no update available on the problems at Scawby Brook/Silversides Lane. The Government has provided an extra £6m to improve bus services, N.L.C have been allocated £1m from which the Isle of Axholme will mostly benefit. Digital bus time tables are being trialled in Scunthorpe and Ashby at all bus stops where there is a shelter.

The Winter/Spring in bloom grants are being offered again this year with a closing date of the end of November. There is also a £250 grant available for the D day celebrations.

An improvement in security is being made to the multi-storey car parks, there is a new soft play area provided in the market area of Scunthorpe. The Leader of the Council is making his views heard on the proposed reduction of services at Scunthorpe hospital. Cllr Ross advised that The Grove has been sold to an individual who intends reverting the building back to a single individual dwelling. The planning application for the proposed 60 dwellings on the field to the rear of the co-op goes to the planning committee for consideration in December. The bin collection dates stickers are no longer been printed – this information is now on line.

ii. Review of action list: The Gainsborough Lane sign is still missing and the hedge on Walnut Drive still hasn't been cut back.

iii. New highways matters – Cllr Hall advised that the area around Silversides lane in Scawby Brook is deteriorating, the weeds from the caravan park are now encroaching on to the road and no action from N.L.C appears to have been taken. Cllr Chamberlain advised that the lights at Forest Pines roundabout are out again – Cllr Ross advised that an accident had caused problems and N.L.C are investigating. Cllr Barker advised that 2 large circular drains on Old Manor Drive are completely blocked – N.L.C have been asked to suck out the drains.

Cllr Johnson brought to Cllr Ross's attention the lack of road markings along Brigg Road – there is no edge to the carriageway or curb & the verge is very soft and could be quite dangerous for drivers. In the short term reflector lights would help drivers along this stretch of road.

The speed vehicles travel at along Gainsborough Lane was raised and it was suggested that a footpath was needed to keep pedestrians safe – along with – if possible a speed reduction. Cllr Ross agreed to arrange a site meeting with Mick Johnson in Scawby and look at Brigg Road and Gainsborough Lane to see if any improvements can be made.

13. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. Toddler Trail – A Sissons has rolled and reseeded the area and after Christmas the area may require further topsoil and seed.

Thanks was expressed to Cllr Askew for bringing this project forward and to East Coast Surfacing for doing a great job in difficult weather conditions.

ii. Remembrance Day – Saturday 11th November – Informal gathering at the war memorial.

Sunday 12th November Church Service – The Brownies and Guides will attend. Meet at the village hall at 10.30am for the service at 10.45am.

iii. Memorial bench at the playing fields and Gainsborough Lane/Mill Lane – The bench for the playing field has arrived and will be fitted asap.

iv. Planting group – to receive the minutes from the planting group and discuss and agree any further winter work. It was noted that no further winter work is planned, Cllr Siddall will provide the minutes of the planting groups meetings which the clerk will circulate.

v. Christmas carols – to confirm the date and arrangements for the Christmas carols event.

Sunday 3rd December - Cllr Frost has the lights for the tree and carol sheets. Meet at 5pm at the village hall, SET will provide the mulled wine etc, lights switch on scheduled for 6pm.

vi. Neighbourhood Plan – no further update to receive. This will be discussed again in the new year.

vii. Emergency Plan – to consider producing an emergency plan and agree (if going ahead) who will lead on this document. This matter will be discussed in the new year.

viii. Any new village matters: It was noted that the disabled parking bay at the co-op is often flooded and this may be a safety risk in the freezing weather – Cllr Frost will liaise with the co-op. Some edging needs replacing at the pavilion. The Brigg Matters newsletter will no longer be delivered in Scawby – just Scawby Brook. Cllr Johnson advised the meeting that the football matches have been delayed by 3 weeks due to the wet weather – this may lead to an extension of the football season in the spring in order to fit all the matches in. A discussion took place regarding the driveways to 4 Messingham Lane in that there appears to be 2 access drives but the planning permission just stipulated one drive. Clerk to make enquiries with N.L.C.

A discussion took place regarding a property with a new front porch and whether planning permission had been obtained. Clerk to be provided with the correct address of the property.

There is a wasps nest at the pavilion and it was suggested that this nest be dealt with now whilst the wasps are fairly dormant.

Cllr Kemp advised that the coffee morning Christmas party is scheduled for 29th December 2023 – any donations would be very much appreciated. Cllr Keyworth will take any donations on behalf of Cllr Kemp.

Cllr Keyworth enquired about allotments in the village for residents. This is a topic which has been raised before but unfortunately there isn't any suitable land in the village available at present.

Cllr Askew reported that fly tipping had occurred on Ermine Street, it was reported and cleared away almost immediately. It was noted that Ermine Street was flooded and it was suggested that perhaps the landowner could be approached to cut/dig a channel to relieve the water.

Cllr Chamberlain raised the matter of perhaps providing an adult swing at the playing fields.

Cllr Coleman raised the subject of the trees at Church Cottage which have been inspected by N.L.C and their response was that the trees do not need any additional work. Cllr Coleman feels that the trees are very tall and certainly need reducing in height as they are a danger to neighbouring properties. Cllr Coleman will send photographs though to the clerk to send on to N.L.C.

Cllr Powell suggested that councillors should possibly have name badges to wear at official functions.

Cllr Powell provided an template for a card which could be posted through a property letter box, advising the resident that their hedge/tree is overgrown and is infringing the highway and politely asking the property owner to cut back the offending hedge/branch/tree. These notices will be printed with a Scawby Parish Council logo – 2 per page – 1 to post and 1 to keep for records.

14. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE - A joint edition for December and January - Clerk to write.

15. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

S106 money.

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16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 6th December 2023 – 7pm – Village Hall.