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THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2024 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

In the Chair : Cllr T Powell

Also present: Cllr M Keyworth, Cllr R Coleman, Cllr N Barlow, Cllr N Askew, Cllr T Barker, Cllrs R Holmes, Cllr J Frost, Cllr S Kemp.

In attendance: Cllr C Ross, Cllr J Lee, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk, 11 members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

No matters raised.

1..**APOLOGIES** –Cllr G Siddall, Cllr R Johnson, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr M Russell, Cllr A Hall.

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

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4th SEPTEMBER 2024.**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 4th September 2024 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- Dog bin – Ermine Street – relocating one from Lidgetts Close – N.L.C have been asked to consider this relocation request. N.L.C are reluctant to issue new bins but clerk to pursue this as it is a relocation bin rather than a new bin.
- Overgrown hedge – Walnut Drive – Clerk has reported this overgrown hedge to the enforcement officer again – response circulated to councillors. The highways department have been asked to investigate as the hedge is impeding the footpath.
- Best Kept Village awards ceremony – Monday 14th October – 7.30pm – Broughton Village Hall – Cllr Powell and the clerk will attend this meeting.
- Brigg Times newspaper – Brigg Town Council have advised that this newspaper is for distribution in Brigg only.

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

No planning applications received.

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

- Cllr's Keyworth and Holmes – attended the ERNLLCA AGM at which all councils were encouraged to sign up to The Pledge. Withernsea Council put forward a motion regarding legacy landfill sites for which there is currently no accountability. 27 votes were recorded in favour and 5 abstentions to ask for this matter to be investigated.

7. TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION – COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEWS.

- Recommendation for Scawby Parish Council – to reduce the number of councillors from 14 to 8 – effective May 2027.

Cllr Keyworth attended this consultation meeting and it was noted that they hoped that members of the public would respond to this consultation. The clerk will submit a response on behalf of Scawby PC and the scrutiny panel will meet on 5th December at 2pm to make their decisions regarding all the parish councils.

7a. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- N.L.C – Forthcoming meetings.
- Local Governance Review information.
- Nelthorpe Estate – response to allotment request
- Brigg Town Clerk – response to request for delivery of Brigg Times newspaper
- PKF Littlejohn- completion of limited assurance review

8. FINANCE

Payee		Amount
J Phillips – Plants etc	BACS	99.09
Clerk – salary – September	BACS	706.33
Clerk - Expenses :		
Stationery//photocopying – 16.00		
Stamps - 22.95		
Travel – 19.50		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	58.45
Sissons Gardening Services (September contract charge)	BACS	764.95
Barton Mowing Services	BACS	666.00
Screwfix – Paint	BACS	26.00
PKF Littlejohn – Audit	BACS	504.00
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	2,315.16
R Holmes – Bulbs	BACS	12.80
Opus Energy - October	DD	119.93
Xero	DD	39.60

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

INCOME RECEIVED : : September : Verge mowing grant - £11,111.00, Sponsored flower beds : £1,000, Playing field hire : £55.00

- ii. The financial statement – The financial statement was presented at the meeting with no variances noted.
- iii. To report that the external auditors report for year ended March 2024 has been received with no outstanding or concerning matters.

9. POLICE MATTERS

- i) NATS report – The next meeting is scheduled for later in October.
- ii) New Police matters: It was noted that door knockers are in the area posing as council members.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- i. To receive reports from Broughton & Scawby Ward Councillors: It was reported by Cllr's Lee and Ross that the Greater Lincolnshire devolution is moving forward with a budget of £720m. A combined authority will be created with mayoral elections held next May. The animal Blue Tongue disease is in the east of England but this does not affect humans. The Broughton A15/M180 road junction scheme is still being designed. A site meeting has been held at Greetwell cross roads to look at the speed of lorries travelling along this main road and speed enforcement will be requested in this area. The drainage along this road – where the properties are lower than the road, is being looked into to try and prevent flooding of gardens. There is a tree which is shedding its berries onto the footpath and a private garden – it will be crowned to prevent this occurring. Cllr Waltham has visited China recently to discuss British Steel in Scunthorpe and this meeting apparently went well. The imagination library will deliver its 1m book later this month. The pink litter bags (litter collected by volunteers) have been reported for collection. The hedge which runs down to the cemetery has been cut back and the new street lights on Church Street will be in place very shortly. The problem of road surface water affecting a private wall at The Old Coach house has been inspected and hopefully a new drain or channel will alleviate this pooling problem and N.L.C will repoint the wall where it has become damaged. The road/pavement problems (potholes) in St Hybalds, Gainsborough Lane and Oak Avenue will be inspected and any remedial works required will be scheduled.
- ii. HGV's travelling to the quarries – Councillors have been undertaking monitoring of lorries accessing and exiting the quarries. From Manton quarry 8 lorries were recorded turning down Messingham lane during one monitoring session and it was agreed that the Welton Aggregate lorries accessing/exiting the Redbourne quarry were using the village route regularly and this would require monitoring and reporting to the enforcement officer at N.L.C. It was agreed that further monitoring would be undertaken.
- iii. Radar activated speed signs: Cllr Coleman believes that there are calibration problems with the signs and he is trying to sort this out with Morelock signs. All the signs have been rotated. The newly erected post on Gainsborough lane – outside no 60 – is not acceptable to residents. The parish council feel that the pole has not been positioned by N.L.C in the place councillors requested (this may be due to underground services). Cllr Ross believes the pole is situated too far away from the carriageway. The meeting agreed that N.L.C should be asked to revisit Gainsborough lane – a site meeting with Neil Thomas (N.L.C), Cllr Ross, Cllr Lee and Cllr Coleman to discuss repositioning this post, hopefully free of charge. The meeting noted that residents do not want this post in any position on the verge in front of 60 Gainsborough lane.
- iv. Mirrors to assist egress from property – Cllr Ross will advise highways of this matter.
- v. Review of action list: The repair/refurbishment of the finger post on Old Manor Drive and the posts/signs for the toddler trail cycle track are progressing.
- vi. New highways matters – Cllr Barker reported a broken bough of a tree outside 14 Messingham lane which is likely to fall on the highway and needs removing. Clerk to report to N.L.C.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

i. **Planting Group:**

- a) Plaque at the co-op community garden – to receive information(size, wording, positioning & cost) regarding this plaque and formalise purchase. Cllr Chamberlain will provide information at the next meeting.
- b) Any new planting matters to consider and agree: The summer bedding plants are being removed and replaced with winter bedding.

Playing Field Committee:

- a) Road/path to playing fields - to receive update on any inspection of this road and information relating to the responsibility of this road. N.L.C have indicated that they believe the road falls within the boundary of the school and N.L.C have sent a plan with boundaries outlined. The meeting felt that further clarification of the boundaries is required before contacting the school. If the road does fall within the boundary of the school the parish councillors felt it was important to work with the school to achieve an outcome in the best interests of the community.
 - b) S106 money – to provide and discuss suggestions as to how this money can be spent at the playing fields/pavilion. To be discussed once responsibility for the road has been established.
 - c) Playground Inspection report – Members of the playing field committee met at the playing fields to look at the issues highlighted on the inspection report. A company has been invited to quote for all the repairs and provide new swing seats, new brush for the cable swing and repairs to the wetpour. The repairs/swing seat additions are likely to be in the region of £1950 – It was agreed that this company should be asked to undertake the work. Cllr Frost advised the meeting that he would repair the brake and the finger trap on the rope swing.
 - d) OPUS Energy – to discuss the electricity contract with Opus Energy (unmetered supply) and consider if an alternative supply is available. OPUS Energy are moving to EDF who do not want to take on unmetered supplies. Cllr Frost advised the meeting that Drax power have agreed to take on this unmetered supply (to the war memorial). The cost is likely to be about £500/year and this would be a 3 year contract. IT WAS RESOLVED to ask Drax power to take on this unmetered supply and the change over date is likely to be 9th October.
 - e) Any new playing field matters to consider and agree – No new matters raised.
- ii. To discuss and give consideration to the provision of allotments in the village – The Estate has advised that they do not have any land which they can make available for allotments. The clerk will write to the residents who have expressed an interest in allotments to advise that there is no land available for such a project.
 - iii. Sponsored flower bed signs – to give consideration to and agree a budget to renew some/all of these flower bed signs. This matter will be discussed next month.
 - iv. Website – to discuss any improvements required to the website. It was noted that Cllr Russell has asked if a search engine can be provided for the website. Clerk to ask the website providers.
 - v. Remembrance Day – Cllr Powell will ask the rainbows, Brownies, Guides if they wish to attend the service. Everyone attending will meet at the village hall on Sunday 10th November at 10.30am to walk to church for the service.

- vi. Christmas celebrations – Sunday 1st December.
- vii. New village matters – Cllr Powell advised the meeting that Community Foundation Ireland have indicated that further grant funding is available and asked councillor to consider any projects which could be put forward for consideration for this funding. A brief discussion took place on the possibility of purchasing a building for a community hub.

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

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING
Community Foundation Ireland – ideas for grant funding.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 6th November 2024 – 7pm – Village Hall.