

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **12th November 2012** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, M Proctor, R Nixon, J McKellar-Main, J England, G Day Mrs G Sherwood, Mrs J Briggs, J Mountain, T Foster, W Elsome & Mrs B Todd; two members of the public, S Ringwood of Scunthorpe Telegraph and the Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Lewis addressed the members present to re-iterate his concerns regarding Pooley's Tea Room and to advise that he intends to pursue the matter despite the apparent lack of support from the Parish Council. *(The Chairman declared his personal and prejudicial interest in this matter and left the room prior to the statement by Mr Lewis)*

95. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors P Wright and M Caley

96. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Cllr. N Poole –Min 87a. Personal and prejudicial interest as owner of Pooley's Tea Room
- b) Cllr. Mrs B Todd – Matter Arising Min 87a – Personal interest as occasional patron of Pooley's
- c) Cllr. J England - Matter Arising Min 87a – Personal interest as occasional patron of Pooley's
- d) Cllr. J Mckellar Main - Matter Arising Min 87a – Personal interest as occasional patron of Pooley's
- e) Cllr. Mrs J Briggs – Matter Arising Min 87a – Personal interest as occasional patron of Pooley's
- f) Cllr. W Elsome – Account for payment – Personal and prejudicial interest as recipient of payment.

97. POLICE MATTERS

The Clerk reported that there had been another spate of damage and thefts at the Allotments and that tenants had already informed the police.

98. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 8TH October 2012

The minutes were circulated to all members prior to this meeting. They were agreed to be a true record and signed by the Chairman.

99. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 87a Pooley's Tea Room

The Chairman left the room prior to discussions

A letter from Mr Lewis was read out which made complaint regarding noise issues and also criticised the Parish Council's lack of support in the matter. It was agreed that this complaint has been treated the same as all complaints from residents and that there is no necessity to report the same complaint in the village magazine more than once. It was also agreed that a letter be sent to Mr Lewis to advise him of the steps taken to date and of his rights to refer to the Ombudsman.

b) Min 87b Grass Cutting

Response received from Veolia advising that a credit would be raised for £74.29 to compensate for the incomplete weed spraying at Holme Meadow but that this work would

be completed in the Spring 2013. Cllr. Elsome suggested that further credits are due for work not carried out at the churchyard – Clerk to make further enquiries.

c) Min 89b/1 Holme Meadow Drainage

The Clerk advised that she had prepared the claim form for the NLC Community Grant. It was noted that the condition of the ground is now affecting football matches in the NE corner of the field and that the work should be carried out as soon as possible. The Clerk advised that the cash flow for the remainder of the financial year is limited as the reserves had been placed on fixed deposit. It was suggested that MJFC be approached for the financial contribution they offered towards the floodlights and pitch maintenance to allow the work to be carried out if the grant is unsuccessful.

d) Min 89b/2 Rabbit Control

The Clerk reported that only Mr Barley had responded to date and that he is prepared to carry out the rabbit control on the allotments free of charge. It was noted that Mr Barley is a member of the Gamekeepers Association and is fully insured. It was also noted that he will provide a method statement and risk assessment for the council's consideration.

e) Min 92e Storage Container Northfield Road

It was noted that the container has now been removed.

f) Min 92g Speeding Brigg Road

Traffic data had been received from Roy Hindmarsh and circulated to all members. It was noted that Brigg Road does not qualify for speed management measures. It was agreed to make enquiries regarding the hire of speed warning signs which are estimated to cost approx.. £139 per month for a 12 week period. It was also agreed to ask for the Wendover Road traffic data which was taken at the same time as Brigg Road.

g) Min 94b Register of Interests Publication

The Clerk advised that a weblink to NLC has been created on the Parish Council website.

h) Min 92c Health Checks in Messingham

The Clerk reported that arrangements have been shelved temporarily but that it is hoped to arrange a visit in early Spring.

i) Min 93c School Hedge

Councillor Foster reported that the ivy in hedge has been checked by NLC and is not considered to be the poisonous variety.

100. ACCOUNTS

a) Passed for Payment: Cllr. Elsome left the room prior to approval of the accounts

1.	Mrs J Walker – Clerk Salary & Allowance (cheque 1 st Dec)	£965.92*
2.	Mrs K Hall – play area attendant	111.25
3.	G East – handyman	152.48
4.	D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	72.00
5.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	257.50
6.	North Lincolnshire Council – Annual flowerbed maintenance	1574.62
7.	Owen Bowness & Son – replace thermostat at Holme Meadow	41.70
8.	B W Ross – ground maintenance work + hedging/dyking	511.34
9.	Veolia ES – Grass Cutting	676.37**

10.	W Elsome – repayment of Phase 2 church drainage project expenses	2040.89
11.	Lytec Limited – floodlight pole extension	474.00
12.	BT – phone/broadband	88.61
13.	Gareth Steenken – Remembrance Day bugler	30.00 cash
14.	Royal British Legion – Remembrance Day wreath/donation	50.00 ***
15.	Mrs S England – In Bloom expenses	54.52 ****

** Cllr. J Walker declared his personal and prejudicial interest as the husband of the Clerk and left the room prior to approval of the accounts.*

*** A second invoice for £934.39 was held until credit notes have been issued.*

**** The Chairman commented on the success of the Remembrance Day service with an impressive turnout and 24 wreaths laid. Particular thanks were given to the bugler, Gareth Steenken, and the piper Mark Chessman.*

**** *Cllr. J England declared his personal and prejudicial interest as the husband of the payee and left the room prior to approval of the accounts.*

b) Monies Received

Pooley's Tea Room – Sponsor of Best Kept War Memorial Prize 30.00

101. PLANNING

a) Planning Applications before NLC:

2012/1238 Potterton, Land adjacent 2 Northfield Road – erect detached dwelling including demolition of existing garage. NO OBJECTION

Cllr. England took no part in discussion or voting on the above application.

b) Planning Decisions by NLC:

1. 2012/0152 Black, Black Bank Farm, Susworth – install a 15Kw wind turbine. APPROVED
2. 2012/1015 Pettitt, 2 Eastfield Road – consent to carry out works to oak tree. APPROVED
3. 2012/1243 Harvey, 49 Brigg Road – non material amendment to PA2011/0646 for single storey extension. APPROVED
4. 2012/1023 Armstrong, Fieldside Bungalow, Butterwick Road, East Butterwick – Certificate of Lawful Use or Development to retain land used as residential garden associated with residential property.

102. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NLC
 1. House Naming – The Jungle, Scotter Road – now – Goosewood.
 2. Register of Electors. Noted
- b) ERNLLCA – Code of Conduct Training.
- c) RIDGE WARD COUNCILLORS – Copy correspondence for information re. Salt Bin for Middleton Close. Agreed in principle that a salt bin should be located at the top end of the road near the garages.
- d) N LINC'S YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE – Request for winter projects for offenders.
- e) CENTRAL LINC'S JOINT PLANNING UNIT – Local Plan Core Strategy – consultation draft .

103. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- a) PLAY AREA – Noted that the safety surfaces are slippery but that attempts by the handyman to clean them has not been successful. The Clerk reported that she has made enquiries for portable jet washing equipment with Neighbourhood Services who has forwarded the request to the graffiti team. It was suggested that this may be a project for the youth offenders.
- b) DOG FOULING – reported to particularly bad on the footpath between West Green and High Street. Benson Close was also reported to have a regular dog fouling problem. It was also noted that a person unknown has written warning notices on the ground in various places. It was agreed to place an article in the village magazine to make residents aware of the Dog Control orders in place in the village.
- c) WENDOVER ROAD – Large pot hole reported between Kealholme Road junction and the East/West Green roundabout.
- d) NORTHFIELD ROAD FOOTPATH – Footpath surface damaged. Noted that this has been reported previously.
- e) CROWN INN – Large quantities of cigarette ends on footpath (also Green Tree noted) – to be referred to NLC.
- f) PARKING OFFENDERS – It was noted that Civil Enforcement have been active on the High Street for parking offences.
- g) SCHOOL HEDGE – noted that it has not been fully cut to date but it was further noted that the school has this in hand.
- h) ORCHARD CLOSE – Footpath opposite the library reported to be very uneven and a potential trip hazard.
- i) PARKING REAR OF LIBRARY – Complaint from residents of High Street/Manley Court that their parking spaces are being used by non residents. It was noted that a request for Resident Only signs should be referred to North Lincolnshire Homes by the residents through their warden.
- k) BRIGG ROAD – Dyke alongside No, 107 reported to need cleaning out although it was noted that the dyke is running freely.
- l) REAR OF NISA STORE – Noted that the tree cuttings are still at the rear of the store. North Lincolnshire Homes to be contacted again.

104. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) ADULT LEISURE EQUIPMENT – Councillor England reported on the success of outdoor fitness equipment for adults and suggested that it be considered for Messingham. It was agreed to place on the agenda of the Leisure & Recreation committee to discuss further.
- b) OLD SCHOOL – It was agreed to ask NLC for the current status.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 8.45pm.