

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **14th April 2014** in Messingham village hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, Mrs B Todd, M Proctor, R Nixon, A Clark, J McKellar Main, Mrs J Briggs, W Elsome, Mrs G Sherwood, J Mountain, T Foster, M Caley and P Wright; and the Clerk.

155. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillor J England

156. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

In view of the Parish Council planning application for the MUGA project (PA2014/0329) the Chairman asked the Clerk to clarify the grounds for granting dispensations to councillors. She advised that dispensations are only given to ensure that the meeting is quorate. Dispensations were given to all councillors in respect of PA2014/0329, **excluding** those with declared personal or beneficial or disclosable pecuniary and personal interests as follows:

- a) Cllr. W Elsome – PA2014/0329. Personal as trustee of Messingham Playing Field Committee
- b) Cllr. G Sherwood – PA2015/0329. Personal as treasurer of Messingham Playing Field Committee and Parish Council representative.
- c) Cllr. J Mountain – PA2014/0329. Personal as member of Messingham Playing Field committee.
- d) Cllr. R Nixon – PA2014/0329. Personal as member of Messingham Playing Field committee.

157. POLICE MATTERS

- a) Ridge Ward newsletter and monthly statistics received and circulated. Noted.
- b) Noted that parking on Park Street when live football is being shown on the TV at the Crown Inn has caused problems for vehicle movement - reported to Police by Cllr. Foster.
- c) Noted a complaint from a resident who had received a parking ticket in the layby on Wendover Road having been unaware of the restrictions.
- d) Speeding by motorcycles most evenings and around midday on Saturdays was reported – to be referred to Roy Hindmarsh.
- e) Parking on the bend on Wendover Road was reported to be dangerous although not actually breaking the law.
- f) An incident on High Street involving a vehicle and a horse with young rider was noted. It was noted the injured rider was 13 years old.
- g) Noted that a suspicious vehicle had been reported to the Police.

158. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 10th March 2014.

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

159. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 148b Twigmoor Side Road

In the absence of Councillor England, the outcome of his enquiries were unknown. Cllr. Walker stated that the court case defined the road as highway.

b) Min 148c Ashlin Court Footpath

The Chairman reported on the site visit with Anita Greener and Cllr. Mrs Briggs and advised that a price for a handrail is to be obtained by NLC.

c) Min 149a MUGA Project

The Clerk reported that the planning application had been completed but that the Public Works Loan application will be sent shortly. It was noted that a letter from the Playing Field committee is expected to outline their concerns and objections to the MUGA project on the playing field extension. Councillor Elsome declared that he would object to the planning application and Councillor Sherwood declared that she would abstain from voting on the planning application.

It was noted that neither councillor had voiced objections to the project prior to the planning application being made. Many comments were made with regard to the attitude of the playing field committee and generally felt that they were not fulfilling the objectives of the Trust which left the land for use by the village for recreation and sport. The matter to be discussed further when the letter from the playing field committee is received.

d) Min 153d Butterwick Road

Response from Highways to advise that the parking on the verge is being already being monitored.

e) Min 153e Old School Entrance

Response from NLC to advise that the entrance would be cleared of debris. It was noted that this has been done. The Chairman commented that interest in the school property is currently being shown.

f) Min 153f,g & h Pot Holes

Noted that the pot holes on Wendover Road and Brigg Road had been done and the others are logged in the system for action.

g) Min 154a Annual Parish Meeting

The Clerk confirmed that the Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28th May at 7.00pm in the Trinity Suite. Apologies were given in advance by Councillors J McKellar Main and Mrs J Briggs.

h) Min 154b Parish Council Notice Board

The Clerk reported that the grant application had been sent and asked if the notice board could be ordered. it was agreed to wait for the outcome of the grant application.

160. MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 17th March 2014

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

a) Matters Arising

Min 435 – Additional Meeting.

The Clerk advised that the meeting is scheduled for Monday 28th April at 7pm. Apologies were given in advance by Councillors Mrs J Briggs and T Foster.

161. ACCOUNTS

a) Passed for Payment:

1. Mrs J Walker - Clerk's salary & allowance (cheque 30 th April)	£948.74
2. Mr K Hall – play area attendant	135.25
3. E G East – handyman	130.14
4. Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	226.00
5. D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	72.00
6. B W Ross – ground maintenance	335.02
7. W Elsome – church dyke project (Phase 3) expenses	327.98
8. Holme Hall Golf Club – lawn sand for memorial garden	11.40
9. Digitech Business Equipment – photocopy charge	20.89
10. East Midlands in Bloom – competition entry fee	20.00
11. ERNLLCA – annual membership fee	796.43
12. Lincoln & Lindsey Blind Society – donation from Chairmans Allowance	25.00
13. HMR & C – quarterly PAYE payment	545.32
14. Npower – memorial electricity	42.03 direct debit
15. Npower – Holme Meadow electricity	171.23 direct debit
16. North Lincolnshire Council – Church waste collection	382.20 direct debit

b) Monies Received:

1. Messingham Junior Football Club – damage to door	70.00
2. Allotment Rents (to 9 th April)	841.25
3. Allotment Rents (10 th – 14 th April)	64.00

c) Payments Made Between Meetings – Approved

North Lincolnshire Council – planning fee	97.50
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d) Annual Accounts – Pre-Audit

1. Receipts & Payments to 31st March 2014. Circulated to members and summary given by Clerk. There were no questions and the accounts were approved.
2. Bank Reconciliation to 31st March 2014. Circulated to members and noted that balances were as expected. Approved.
3. 2014 Audit – Annual Governance Statement 2013/14. Completed and signed by the Chairman

162. PLANNING**a) Planning Applications before NLC:**

1. 2014/0329 Messingham Parish Council, Playing Field off Northfield Road – installation of MUGA. The Chairman asked that the vote be recorded in accordance with Standing Order 11. NO OBJECTION was proposed and seconded and the vote recorded as follows:
FOR – Councillors Poole, Walker, Todd, Proctor, Nixon, Caley, Wright, Foster, Mckellar Main, Clark, Briggs.
AGAINST – Councillor Elsome
ABSTENTIONS – Councillors Sherwood & Mountain
The proposal was CARRIED.
2. 2014/0408 W Smith, Priesthows, Butterwick Road – Alterations to outbuildings to form new dwelling. After discussion it was agreed to OBJECT to this application as a) the site is outside the Messingham building line and in open countryside, and b) permission has already been granted for a dwelling to replace the existing property (PA2012/0545), plus an amendment to build adjacent to the existing property (PA2013/1006) and it is considered that another dwelling on the site of the existing outbuildings is not within the principle of development in open countryside.

b) Planning Decisions by NLC:

1. 2014/0009 Cowling, OS Field 9335, Kirton Road – retain field shelter. APPROVED
2. 2013/1534 Raddish, Hollybank, Scotter Road – remove condition 6 of PA2008/1296 REFUSED

163. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NLC
 1. Household Recycling Centres – temporary closure notification. Agreed to put notice on both notice boards and in the Village Magazine.
 2. Sandbags Collection – noted that only 3 properties on Messingham Ings had received sandbags and that these would be collected as required.
 3. Town & Parish Council Liaison Meeting – 16th April. Noted
 4. Mayor Making Ceremony – invitation to Chairman & Clerk to attend.
- b) REVEREND G. MASSEY – complaint re. speeding on Northfield Road on approach into village. Agreed to send copy of proposed speed limit changes for information.
- c) MESSINGHAM JUNIOR F C – Request for pitch maintenance a.s.a.p (*Councillor Foster declared his personal interest as a member of the Messingham Horse & Foal Show committee*). It was agreed that pitch maintenance would be ineffective if carried out prior to Messingham Show on 1st June, which is close followed by the MJFC Summer Tournament. The suggestion by MJFC that they are sufficiently concerned by the condition of Pitch 1 that they will consider using Northfield Road next season was considered to be an ideal solution to allow the pitch to fully recover.
- d) RURAL SERVICES NETWORK – Invitation to join the Rural Sounding Board. Noted.

164. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS/COMPLIMENTS

- a) BRIGG ROAD REAR OF 57-71 – Reported that the stable/shed on the land belonging to Mr Foster-Thornton is in a dilapidated state and is attracting vermin as well as being considered a fire risk. It is also considered an unsafe area as children have open access to it. To be reported to NLC.
- b) HOLME LANE – Reported that three farm entrances are in disrepair with loose stone being carried onto the highway. To be reported to Highways.
- c) KIRTON ROAD – Reported that the road at Black Walk Nook corner has become dangerous due to the turning of lorries accessing the site.
- d) BRIGG ROAD Z BENDS – Reported that damage to the road surface caused by the increase in movement of lorries, particularly on the left hand bend travelling East.
- e) SALT STORAGE - Noted that the sheds at the rear of the Stables Restaurant is in new ownership and that permission should be sought to store the salt currently in the shed. It was noted that the sheds belong to the Nursery.
- f) WEST GREEN CIRCLE – Noted that the flower bed and the grass is beautifully maintained by a local resident. Agreed that all In Bloom volunteers should be congratulated and thanked for their efforts.
- g) NORTHFIELD ROAD – Reported that the grass verges opposite the playing field have not been reinstated after building works. To be referred to Highways.
- h) FLYTIPPING reported on Black Bank (full 3-piece suite near golf course), and Twigmoor Side Road. To be referred to Neighbourhood Services.
- i) DOG FOULING – reported to be prevalent on a circuit from High Street via Ashlin Court, Briggate Drive plus Wendover Road and West Green snicket to high Street. To be referred to Neighbourhood Services for a regular cleaning service.
- j) BRIGG ROAD – overgrown hedge and footpath also overgrown with weeds and grass from No. 107 to the farm track.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.