

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **12th January 2015** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, Mrs B Todd, J McKellar Main, A Clark, J Mountain, W Elsome, M Proctor, J England, Mrs J Briggs & P Wright, and the Clerk.

113. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors Mrs G Sherwood and T Foster,

114. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Councillor J R Walker – Planning Application 2014/1395 – Personal and prejudicial as neighbour of the applicant.
- b) Councillor J McKellar Main – Planning Application 2014/1395 – Personal and prejudicial as friend and work colleague of the applicant.
- c) Councillor A Clark – Planning Application 2014/1395 – Personal as friend of the applicant.

115. POLICE MATTERS

Councillor McKellar Main advised that the Brigg police station will be moving to Ashby week commencing 19th January.

116. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 15th December 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.

117. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 106a MUGA Project

Following a site visit with the PPL representative and the groundworks contractor on 7th January, the work has now commenced. Agreement was reached with regard to the top soil being transported to the churchyard. It was noted that the original intention was to site the MUGA beyond the French drain but that this had subsequently been agreed by the Playing Field committee not be a necessity and that the MUGA could be sited nearer to the play area. The Chairman proposed that the MUGA be sited 1.3m away from the play area with a tarmac footpath the full length of it, thereby reducing grass cutting costs and improving the overall look of the development. A quotation of £2000 for the additional footpath was noted from PPL, and the Chairman commented that he had made enquiries with local firms and confirmed that this was a very competitive price. Councillor Elsome asked that alternatives to a tarmac path be considered, including leaving a gap wide enough for gang mowers; a 300mm gap; or to remove the play area fencing and butt the MUGA to it. Members agreed to provide the 1.3m footpath (Councillor Elsome asked that his vote be recorded against the proposal). It was suggested that any surplus tarmac from the project could be used on the pot holes in the playing field access road. It was agreed to write to the Playing Field committee to make this suggestion.

b) Min 109c Tree Preservation Orders New Row

The Clerk reported that there are no Tree Preservation Orders applicable to New Row or around the Memorial area.

c) Min 111f Brigg Road – Nursery Parking

The Chairman reported that he had contacted the Wise Owl Nursery and had been advised that staff are parking their cars in the nearest available side road to meet the Travel Plan condition of the planning permission. It was noted that further enquiries are being made in this regard. It was also noted that residents on Brigg Road are complaining about the cars parking and making visibility and manoeuvre difficult.

118. ACCOUNTS**a) Passed for Payment:**

1.	Mrs J Walker – Clerk salary and allowance	£948.74 online payment
2.	D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	72.00 online payment
3.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	226.00 online payment
4.	Mrs J Walker/Kaspersky – computer virus protection	12.50 online payment
5.	Npower – Memorial electricity	52.91 direct debit
6.	Npower – Holme Meadow electricity	39.28 direct debit
7.	Mrs K Hall – play area attendant	135.25
8.	G East – handyman	88.04
9.	Office Friends – stationery	49.24
10.	H Simpson & Sons – compost (In Bloom)	11.85
11.	North Lincs Council – 2014/15 bedding scheme	1997.39
12.	Scunthorpe Lawnmowers – replacement cheque from July	144.99
13.	HMR&C – quarterly PAYE	559.34

b) Monies Received:

1.	Yorkshire Bank – deposit account interest	0.06
2.	Lincolnshire Co-operative – Community Grant	199.27

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

- 2014/1225 Armstrong, Temperance Hall, Northfield Road – change of use from an electrical storage/offices to a beauty spa/salon/laser clinic. *Councillor Proctor declared his personal and prejudicial interest as a neighbour of the application site, and left the room prior to discussion.* Concerns were noted for the lack of customer and staff parking available. It was agreed to make NO OBJECTION but to request that parking issues be taken into consideration.
- 2014/1395 Hall, Ville Ridge, 26a Brigg Road – raise ridge roof height for loft conversion. *Councillors Walker, McKellar Main and Clark left the room prior to discussion.* NO OBJECTION.

b) Planning Decisions by NLC:

2014/1323 Slingsby, 16 Orchard House, Cross Tree Road – roof lift loft conversion. PERMISSION REFUSED.

120. CORRESPONDENCE

- NLC - Grounds Maintenance Provision – agreed to consider NLC in the future for Holme Meadow goal mouth maintenance etc.
- MRS POPPLE – Complaint regarding speed on the High Street and advising of a near miss accident on the puffin crossing. It was agreed to forward the letter to Highways for their consideration.
- MR DAVIDSON – Freedom of Information request for all deeds and documents relating to land holdings and agreements held by the Parish Council. It was noted that this request had been received in November but due to the Clerk's illness could not be carried out. Mr Davidson was advised by the Chairman of the delay and arrangements have since been made for a viewing of the documents on 17th January. Further correspondence to the Chairman made comment relating to the arrangements made for the Clerk's duties in her absence. The Clerk reported that she had contacted ERNLLCA for advice in this regard and was advised that there are currently no guidelines in place. It was agreed that a risk assessment needs to be carried out and procedures formally documented.
- MESSINGHAM PLAYING FIELD ASSOC. – thanks for the precept grant awarded for 2015/16.

121. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS/COMPLIMENTS

- a) FLYTIPPING reported on Holme Lane, Twigmoor Side Road and Butterwick Road near the gas station.
- b) HOLME LANE – request for salting the road, particularly on the bends by the woodland. It was noted that at least two cars are known to have been in the dyke in recent weeks.
- c) BUTTERWICK ROAD – state of footpaths previously reported have had no action to date. Agreed to follow this up with Highways.
- d) TEMPERANCE AVENUE – manhole near the old school entrance reported to have collapsed due to the heavy machinery currently using the grounds. To be reported to Highways.
- e) HOLME MEADOW – enquiry from a resident regarding possible weedkiller applied which may affect dogs, as his dog has started to be sick when walking in Holme Meadow. He also reported that the number of dog walkers using the field has significantly reduced. It was noted that nothing has been applied to the field but to monitor for future incidents of this kind.
- f) MANLEY COURT – fence posts reported to have rotted and broken off. Agreed to report to Neighbourhood Services.
- g) DOG FOULING reported on the track off Church Street adjacent to Park View. It was noted that this is private land belonging to Ian Fowler & Co.
- h) LITTER – thanks to Mr & Mrs Neal of 99 Brigg Road for picking up the rubbish left behind after a recent bin collection.

122. OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk asked if the scheduled Leisure & Recreation Committee on 19th January would be required – it was agreed that it would not be necessary. The Clerk asked if this date could then be used for the postponed Allotment Advisory Committee instead. This was agreed. (The Chairman gave his apologies for this meeting and the Vice-Chairman advised that he would be available to chair the meeting).

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 8.18pm.