

Minutes of **Messingham Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **14th September 2015** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), W Elsome, Mrs B Todd, M Proctor, Mrs P Skelton, J McKellar Main, A Clark, Mrs J Briggs, M Caley, P Wright & Mrs G Sherwood; three members of the public and the Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

D Radford – queries and statements regarding the lease agreement and responsibilities between Messingham Village Hall and Messingham Parish Council; charity status; and village hall committee members conflict of interests.

C Davidson – statement regarding the business rates relief for Messingham Village Hall and the commercial rents applied.

76. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors A Holmes, T Foster and J England.

77. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None received.

78. POLICE MATTERS

- a) Newsletter received and circulated. Noted
- b) Burglary in West Green on 12th September – reported to police.
- c) Damage to playing field pavilion by youths during the August bank holiday weekend – reported to police.
- d) Irresponsible parking an ongoing issue.

79. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 10th August 2015

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

80. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 61b/3 Stather Hill

Councillor Poole reported that a site visit had been carried out by North Lincolnshire Council and a quote requested for microasphalt surfacing.

b) Min 61e School Traffic Order

Notification that the experimental order is now permanent but that monitoring and enforcement will be continued over the year.

c) Min 64d East Midlands In Bloom Presentations

The Clerk reported that an offer had been made for transport share with other local council representatives to attend the presentations. Noted.

d) Min 66a Allotment Application From a Minor

Information and advice received from ERNLLCA and Mr Davidson but it was agreed to refer this matter to the Allotment Advisory Committee

81. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE 17th August 2015

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There were no matters arising.

82. MINUTES OF LEISURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE 17th August 2015

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a) Matters Arising**1. Min 73b Holme Meadow Pitch Maintenance**

Response from Mr Harkness advising that he is progressing with the maintenance, but that the levelling of the soil heaps had been stopped due to large amounts of dog fouling. It was agreed to ask Mr B Ross to complete this work when the hedging and dyking is carried out.

2. Min 73e Holme Meadow Dog Waste Bin

Correspondence received from Mrs Popple re-iterating the complaint regarding excess dog waste being deposited outside the bin. No response received to date from Neighbourhood Services – Clerk to follow up.

3. Min 75 Playing Field Extension Maintenance

Noted that the top soil has yet to be delivered.

Councillor Elsome commented that a large quantity of grass cuttings have been left at the side, presumably by MJFC after cutting the pitch. It was agreed to confirm the responsibility and request that the piles of grass be spread.

83. ACCOUNTS**a) Passed for Online /Direct Debit Payment:**

1.	Mrs J Walker – clerk salary & allowance (<i>underpayment in error noted</i>)	£1003.59 (30.9.15)
2.	D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	84.00
3.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	226.00
4.	Npower – electricity Playing Field	25.77 d/debit
	<i>(Credit notes noted for Holme Meadow £5.67 and Memorial £9.22)</i>	
5.	Glendale Countryside – grass cutting August	849.92
	<i>Noted that the recent weedkilling at the churchyard has not been satisfactory and also that the time between cuts has been too long on occasion.</i>	

b) Passed for Cheque Payment:

1.	Mrs K Hall – play area attendant	136.60
2.	E G East – handyman	209.62
3.	North Lincolnshire Council – litter bin playing field	359.64
4.	H Simpson & Son – lawn feed and weedkiller	27.94

c) Monies Received:

	Messingham Junior FC – Pitch charges for Adult Games	44.00
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84. PLANNING**Planning Decisions by NLC:**

- a) 2015/0757 C Moore, 74 Butterwick Road – single storey rear extension. APPROVED
- b) 2015/0645 G Wood, Mells Farm, Kirton Road – erect 6 x 7m high 1000w floodlights. APPROVED
- c) 2015/0737 Slingsby, 16 Cross Tree Road – roof loft conversion. APPROVED

85. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NLC
 - 1. Neighbourhood Services – change of management structure information
 - 2. S Harrison, Highways – referring concern from resident re. criminal access via footpath rear of allotments on Well Street. Police to be contacted for crime information.
 - 3. Standards Committee – Annual Report

4. Andy Tate – re. integration of Highways and Neighbourhood Services
 5. Cllr. John Briggs – Community Champion Awards
- b) ERNLLCA
 1. Monthly newsletter
 2. AGM notice
 - c) RIDGE WARD COUNCILLORS – copy correspondence for information re.
 1. Stather Hill overgrown vegetation (JE)
 2. Scotter Road pot hole (NP) Noted that the ditch on the A159 in front of Chestnut Drive needs clearing. Agreed to check ownership of the ditch with Billy Green
 3. Flytipping Black Bank (JE)
 - d) SYMES BAINS BROOMER – Update re. land registration. Guidance to be sought re. land valuations and maps to be provided.
 - e) C DAVIDSON
 1. A159 Scotter Road pothole & sinking drain. Noted that this has been dealt with by Councillor Poole;
 2. Drainage Ditch 64 Eastfield Road – also dealt with by Councillor Poole.
 - f) D RADFORD
 1. Village Hall maintenance approval by PC. It was noted that general maintenance carried out by the village hall committee is considered unnecessary for approval; it was noted that the brick wall at the side of the building was rebuilt for safety reasons; it was agreed that the lease agreement needs revision but it is understood that this is currently being done by the village hall committee and will be discussed with the parish council in the near future;
 2. Complaint re. delay in depositing the planning applications dealt with at the planning committee in the library. It was noted that the Clerk had responded accordingly and this action was endorsed.
 - g) CPRE – Best Kept Village competition results. It was noted that the village was unsuccessful this year.
 - h) MRS P WRIGHT – Request to plant W.I. Centenary Rose in the Memorial Garden. It was agreed that it would not be appropriate to plant the rose in the front of the memorial as it was create an imbalance but that it would be acceptable in one of the smaller beds at the rear.
 - i) SIBELCO – Messingham Sand Quarry – quarry extension information. It was agreed that there will be transportation issues with the proposed number of vehicles on an already crumbling road. It was further agreed to obtain the last traffic monitoring data from Roy Hindmarsh.
 - j) NATIONAL GRID – Advice of routine maintenance schedule.
 - k) MESSINGHAM PLAYING FIELD – Acknowledgement of precept grant payment.
 - l) MRS J LEVITT – Copy correspondence for information re. Messingham Village Hall business rates relief suspected fraud. Noted.

86. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS/COMPLIMENTS

- a) WEST GREEN/SCHOOL DRIVE SNICKET – the footpath continues to be under water after heavy rainfall. Agreed to ask for site visit with local councillors to determine the best way forward.
- b) HIGHGROVE – still not swept. To be followed up with Neighbourhood Services.
- c) HIGH STREET LITTER BIN – continually full after the weekend. Agreed to ask for a larger bin to be installed.
- d) WENDOVER ROAD – streetlights 1, 2 & 3 previously reported still faulty. The Clerk apologised for reporting the wrong numbers.
- e) BRIGG ROAD – overhanging trees on footpath at No. 1.
- f) PLAYING FIELD BIN outside the MUGA repeatedly overflowing. Clerk to determine if the bin is being emptied weekly.
- g) SCHOOL DRIVE – recent traffic jam at school leaving time, violating the traffic order, reported to Harry Metcalfe.
- h) BRIGG ROAD – mole activity at the junction with High Street to be referred to NLC.

87. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Remembrance Service

Following the large numbers attending the service at the Methodist Church in 2014 it had been agreed to review the use of the chapel in the future. It was agreed to defer this review until 2016.

b) Precept Meeting Date

Agreed to hold the meeting on Monday 7th December at 7.30pm.

c) Best Kept Garden & Allotment Winners

Best Kept Garden:

1st – 27a Well Street – Mr & Mrs Richardson; 2nd – 23 Northfield Road – Mr & Mrs Staff; 3rd – 35 Wendover Road – Mr & Mrs Preston. It was noted that Mr & Mrs Staff donated their prize to the Macmillan Charity.

Best Kept Allotment:

1st – 18a Mrs S Carter; 2nd – 11a Mrs C Simpson; 3rd – 48a Mr D Peachey

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.