

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **8th August 2016** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), Mrs B Todd, W Elsome, M Proctor, Mrs J Briggs, Mrs P Skelton, Mrs G Sherwood, A Holmes, J England and Mrs P Hunt; three members of the public and the Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM: The members of the public present were asked if they wished to address the meeting but all declined.

60. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors J McKellar Main, A Clark, K Sylvester, T Foster and P Wright.

61. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None received

62. POLICE MATTERS

a) Holme Meadow – the Clerk reported that youths have been camping on Holme Meadow with alleged underage drinking plus vandalising signs to use as firewood and leaving debris and tents behind. It was noted that the PCSO Horsfall had been informed and that patrols would attend when possible.

b) Playing Field – Councillor Sherwood reported that a recent spate of vandalism at the pavilion had been reported to the police.

63. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 11th July 2016

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.

64. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 52a Office Space – Library

Response from the Library Service to advise that they will be pleased to allow the parish council to use the storeroom as office space if required.

b) Min 52b MUGA – Noise Complaint

Response awaited from Wicksteed with regard to a site inspection.

c) Min 53 Allotment Security

Correspondence received from Mr J Walker, PC representative, and Mr P Chapman, garden allotment representative, objecting to the proposal to install a pedestrian gate. It was agreed to refer this matter to the next agenda but to obtain a price for a gate in the meantime.

d) Min 54 Clerk Vacancy

The Clerk reported that eight application packs had been sent out but that none had been returned to date although the closing date is 15th August.

e) Min 56b/3 Planning Application 2016/957

Email from Planning Officer to ask the Parish Council to reconsider their decision. It was agreed that in accordance with Standing Orders this decision could not be changed.

f) Min 52h Village Complaints

Members commented that items reported in June had still not been satisfactorily resolved. Agreed to chase these up with Sheena Alexander and to forward the NLC portal link and Mrs Alexander's contact details to all councillors for future reference.

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

1.	Salaries & Wages	£1392.99
2.	D Jacklin – mole control	84.00 online
3.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	282.50 online
4.	Glendale Countryside – grass cutting July	961.08 online
5.	Glendale Countryside – grass cutting May	1709.87 online
6.	Anglian Water – allotments	96.64 d/debit
7.	Kyanite Consulting – website hosting fee	126.00 online
8.	BT – telephone/internet	138.16 d/debit
9.	Zurich Insurance – annual premium	959.97
10.	Builders Merchant Co – plywood for dog signs - <i>agreed to pay when invoice received</i>	

b) Monies Received:

1.	SDPOC – Holme Meadow hire	100.00
2.	NLC – Second Half Precept payment	27500.00
3.	Messingham Scouts – annual rent	2.00
4.	Mr Radford – FOIA copy costs	2.00 cash

66. PLANNING**a) Planning Decisions**

2016/832 Whittaker, 14 East Green – single storey front extension, first floor side extension & raise ridge height to facilitate loft conversion. APPROVED. The Clerk reported that this application had not come before the parish council due to her oversight. It was noted that no objections from residents had been recorded.

b) Planning Applications:

- 2016/1189 Taylor, 22 Holme Lane – erect single storey extension to the rear and raise roof pitch to the existing flat roof garage. NO OBJECTION.
- 2016/934 Wood, Mellis Farm, Kirton Road – non material amendment to PA/2015/0645 to erect 6 x 7m poles with 2 x 400w floodlights. *Information only.*
- 2016/1210 Parks, 66 Brigg Road – application for the requirement for prior approval of a household extension. *Information only.*

67. CORRESPONDENCE

- NLC
 - Standards Committee Annual Report. Noted
 - Call Connect – update and posters. Noted
 - Roy Hindmarsh – results of Brigg Road traffic monitoring advising that a flashing sign will be installed from October to December 2016.
- C DAVIDSON – Ref. a) Sand Quarry; b) Police Powers with Minors; and c) Dangerous Loads of Straw. A response from Councillor McKellar Main was read out with regard to the police powers with minors and noted.

68. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- ROADSIDE WEEDS – reported on Wendover Road, School Drive, Kealholme Road and the layby near Benson Close.
- SCHOOL DRIVE – School hedge reported to have what appears to be poisonous berries growing through it.
- WEST GREEN – Willow tree on the turning circle still not trimmed as agreed.
- HOLME LANE – Flytipping reported near the Slate Farm entrance.
- MEMORIAL – Flowerbeds and bushes reported to be inundated with weeds.
- ORCHARD CLOSE SNICKET reported to require cleaning.

- g) BRIGGATE DRIVE/SCHOOL DRIVE JUNCTION still requires road surface attention. It was agreed to forward this matter to Rob Beales and to suggest that the school holidays would be an appropriate time to carry out the work.
- h) HOLME MEADOW – 1) Dog Owners notice damaged; 2) Bottom dyke still requires cleaning.
- i) BRIGG ROAD – Noted that the condition of the property at No. 1 is in a dilapidated state.
- j) ASHLIN COURT – Grass cutting reported to have been missed.
- k) BENCH ENQUIRY – Noted that no response had been received from Sheena Alexander – to be followed up.

69. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Review of Electricity Charges

The Clerk reported that the contracts for Holme Meadow, the Memorial and the Playing Field are all due to expire with Npower and that significant price increases have been notified. She reported that she had negotiated new fixed price contracts at equivalent rates to the current variable contracts. It was agreed that the new contracts be accepted.

b) Insurance Review

The Clerk reported that she had revised the assets as necessary for the insurance for the forthcoming year. This was noted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING