

Minutes of the **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **11<sup>th</sup> July 2011** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, W Elsome, M Proctor, G Day, Mrs J Briggs, Mrs B Todd, J England, Mrs G Sherwood, R Nixon, T Foster and P Wright, two members of the public and the Clerk.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Ms Kerry Biggins of the Wise Owl Private Day Nursery gave a summary of the proposed alterations to convert 68 High Street from a dwelling to a day nursery and also summarised the day care available to 0-5 year olds plus after school care (*ref. Planning Application 2011/0738*)

#### **42. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Councillors J Mountain and J McKellar-Main.

#### **43. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. P Wright – Planning Application 2011/0746 – personal friend of the applicant.

#### **44. POLICE MATTERS**

- a) The monthly crime statistics were received from PC Teale and circulated to members prior to the meeting. Noted.
- b) It was noted that on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July, two rival gangs from Scunthorpe and Gainsborough had used the Playing Field as a venue for a confrontation and that it had been advertised on Facebook and Twitter. The police attended on Friday and again on Saturday to collate evidence. It was noted that no Messingham youths were involved.
- c) A large number of burglaries were reported during the first week in July.

#### **45. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 13<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

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

#### **46. MATTERS ARISING**

##### **a) Min 34b Playing Field Boundary**

Copy of letter to Northfield Road residents sent by Messingham Playing Field received for information. Noted.

##### **b) Min 34c Risk Assessments**

The Clerk reported that she had received a template from Neighbourhood Services to assist with risk assessments for the handyman and that they should all be available for the next meeting.

##### **c) Min 41b Holme Meadow Booking Request**

The Clerk reported that Mr Clark had declined due to the cost.

##### **d) Min 41c Elliot Morley**

The Clerk reported that she had received advice from NLC that unless the notice had been received directly from HM Government there was no requirement to display the copy received from Mr Davidson.

##### **e) Min 40b Holme Meadow Damage by Messingham Show**

Response received from the Show Secretary with an explanation of events. Concern was expressed regarding the possible damage to electric cables in the future. It was agreed to create a map of Holme Meadow with detail of the services shown, to be given to all hirers of the field. Cllr. England commented that the Show had been a great success.

**46. MATTERS ARISING continued****f) Min 35a Floodlights**

The Clerk reported that the planning application has been prepared for submission to NLC this week. She also reported that she had received advice from ERNLLCA that the donation from MJFC is permissible.

**47. MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 20<sup>TH</sup> June 2011**

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

**a) Matters Arising****Min 328b/5 Allotment 42aa**

Following termination by the existing tenant, the Clerk reported that she had allocated this allotment to Mrs Goodyear. It was noted that Mrs Goodyear's son, Joshua, is actually working the allotment and that a number of complaints had been received from neighbouring tenants about the number of children on the allotment, using tools without permission, litter left and dumping soil on other allotments. The Clerk reported that she had spoken to Mrs Goodyear and that she had seen Joshua personally who have both given assurances that these problems will not occur again. Agreed to monitor.

**48. PLANNING****a) Full Planning Permission Granted by NLC:**

2011/0523 Sims, 12 Walnut Way – attached garage and external alterations

**b) Planning Applications before NLC:**

1. 2011/0726 Simpson, Helford, Park View – erect first floor extension. *Cllr, Foster declared his interest as a personal friend of the applicant.* NO OBJECTIONS.
2. 2011/0749 Gorman, The Chestnuts, Chestnut Drive – erect conservatory. NO OBJECTIONS
3. 2011/0746 Barnett, 20 Northfield Road – erect detached domestic garage. NO OBJECTIONS
4. 2011/0738 Krajnik, 68 High Street – Change use to a day nursery with extensions and alterations. *Cllr, Poole declared that he had been lobbied on behalf of the applicant and took no part in voting.* Concerns were raised for the safety of pedestrians regarding vehicle access and egress from the existing entrance which leads onto the footpath. NO OBJECTIONS but the concerns to be noted.

*Councillor England took no part in discussion or voting on the above applications.*

**49. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) NLC – Local Development Framework – adoption of Core Strategy Development Plan Document. It was noted that more consultation is to take place and it was agreed to ensure resistance to any extension plans for Messingham.
- b) RIDGE WARD COUNCILLORS – Copy correspondence for information re: 1. Grass cutting in the village; 2. Temperance Avenue footpath; 3. Missing speed sign at Catchwater Crossroads.; 4) Re-instatement of grass verge on Wendover Road at junction with High Street.
- c) ERNLLCA – Newsletter
- d) N Lincs ARMED FORCES DAY EVENT COMMITTEE – Letter of thanks and a request to book Holme Meadow for the 2012 event. It was agreed to accept the booking for 2012 subject to the availability of parking provision in the adjoining field. Date to be confirmed. It was agreed that the event had been successful but that signage would need to be improved.
- e) J GRAINGER – Complaint regarding the parking of cars in Leaburn Road during the Armed Forces Day Event. To be referred to the AFD Event committee and PC Teale.
- f) J MOUNTAIN – Offer of ladder and step ladder for sale at £40 & £10 respectively. Agreed to purchase and store in the allotment building.
- g) C GOODYEAR – Request for skate park to be provided in Messingham. Noted that previous investigations had proved that Holme Meadow would be unsuitable and there being no other

suitable Parish Council owned land it could not be considered. It was agreed to refer Master Goodyear to the Ancholme Leisure Centre but to also make enquiries with the Street Sport team who may have skating equipment available.

## 50. ACCOUNTS

### a) Passed for Payment

1. Mrs J Walker – Clerk’s salary & allowance (cheque 1 <sup>st</sup> August)	£904.83
2. Mrs K Hall – play area attendant wages	107.05
3. G East – handyman	164.79
4. D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	72.00
5. Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	250.00
6. Wroot Water Ltd – memorial irrigation repairs	161.38 *
7. Messingham Village Hall – precept grant	2500.00
8. B W Ross – ground maintenance inc. weedkilling/fertiliser	743.10
9. H Simpson & Son – compost	60.00
10. J D Mountain – ladders	50.00

\* Wroot Water Ltd - Clerk advised that she had withheld £50 + VAT from the first invoice as she felt there had been an overcharge on the call out fee but despite two telephone calls had not received an answer to her query – approved. It was agreed that the handyman and Cllr. Walker would deal with future irrigation problems if possible.

### b) Monies Received

1. Scunthorpe & District Pony Owners Club – Holme Meadow hire	100.00
2. Yorkshire Bank – deposit account interest	5.04
3. J Goodyear – allotment rent	2.00 cash

## 51. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- a) WELL STREET - footpath overgrown near No. 42. Refer to Neighbourhood Services
- b) CROSS TREE ROAD – pot hole outside No. 15a. Refer to Highways
- c) SCOTTER ROAD – road surface rough near Manor Grange Estate. Refer to Highways
- d) CHURCHYARD – Some areas not cut but has now been resolved with Veolia. Fenced area to south of the chancel needs tidying up – Cllr. Elsome agreed to investigate further.
- e) BRIGG ROAD – Bus stop post dilapidated outside no. 31. Refer to Highways
- f) HIGH STREET – Van parking outside the Market Fresh shop for long periods – refer to Police. *Cllr. G Day declared his interest as the husband of an employee of the Market Fresh shop.*
- g) PEDESTRIAN CROSSING – complaint received from member of the public regarding visibility issues. Refer to Neil Norvock of Traffic Management.

## 52. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) OPEN SPACE, KEALHOLME ROAD  
Cllr. England reported that the dyke had been filled in and asked for an update on the footpath proposal. The Clerk reported that the final paperwork is with the solicitors.
- b) MATTERS REFERRED FROM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
  1. Traffic Calming – Agreed to invite Pete Scott of Traffic Management to a future meeting to discuss the various issues raised.

2. Annual Parish Meeting Advertising – the suggestion of distributing a leaflet door to door was agreed to be uneconomic but it was agreed to use the Scunthorpe Telegraph to better effect in the future. It was agreed that any issues for the APM should be discussed at the March meeting.

c) MESSINGHAM SCHOOL, NORTHFIELD ROAD

It was noted that the Northfield Road school building will be vacated in September and that any proposed plans for the site have not published by NLC. The Chairman expressed his personal view that the building and the car park to the left should be saved from development by the Parish Council, as both a building of historic interest and as a much needed additional social facility in view of the oversubscribed village hall. A great deal of discussion took place regarding potential financial implications but it was agreed to write to NLC to express the Parish Council's interest in the building's future and to ask for details of any immediate plans. It was agreed to consider options and discuss at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

d) MARKET FRESH SHOP

It was noted that a butcher's shop is rumoured to be opening within the Market Fresh shop in the near future. It was suggested that this will require planning permission for change of use.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.