

Minutes of the **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **8th April 2013** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors J R Walker (Vice-Chairman in the Chair), Mrs B Todd, W Elsome, M Proctor, R Nixon, Mrs G Sherwood, J Mountain, G Day, J England, T Foster & P Wright; S Ringwood – Scunthorpe Telegraph; 7 members of the public and the Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Rands referred to a quotation he had received from Hilltop Tree Services with regard to the overhanging trees on the Ashlin Court footpath. It was noted that this matter will be dealt with on the agenda.

Mr Lewis referred to a letter received from North Lincolnshire Council in respect of Pooleys Tea Room and noted that a planning application for change of use has been submitted. He commented that the planning application had not been made public knowledge to date and queried why it was not on the agenda of the parish council meeting. He also queried councillors declarations of interest in this matter and their subsequent comments relating to it. He also commented that the Valuation Officer has indicated to him that the matter is still under investigation.

168. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors, N Poole, M Caley, J McKellar-Main and Mrs J Briggs.

169. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Councillor Mrs B Todd – Min 154a Pooleys Tea Room as regular customer of the business
- b) Councillor J England – Min 154a Pooley's Tea Room as regular customer of the business.

170. POLICE MATTERS – No issues reported and no crime statistics received from PC Teale.

171. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 11th March 2013

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

172. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 154a Pooley's Tea Room

The Clerk explained for the benefit of the members of the public the role of the Parish Council as a consultee in Planning Applications and that as the planning application from Mr Poole had not been received prior to the statutory 4 days notice required for the agenda of this meeting it would have to be dealt with by the Planning Committee at a date to be arranged within the 21 day consultation period. The Clerk also explained the issue of declarations of interest by councillors and their right to speak if the interest was not personal and prejudicial.

Correspondence was noted from The Chief Executive of North Lincolnshire Council and from Mr Lewis. It was agreed that North Lincolnshire Council should honour Mr Lewis's request, under the Freedom of Information Act, for information regarding evidence of soundproofing in Pooleys.

b) Min 154b Play Area

The Clerk reported that the cleaning of the tiles had been completed satisfactorily but that it had highlighted the poor quality of the old tiles.

- c) **Min 154c Holme Meadow Drainage**
Councillor Walker reported that the ground is now sufficiently recovered for the drainage work to commence and that this will take place shortly. It was agreed that the soil will be reinstated. *Councillors England and Foster declared their interest as members of the Messingham Show Committee.*
- d) **Min 154e Ashlin Court Footpath**
Response received from Mr Fisher, the owner of 14 Wendover Road, suggesting that he meet a representative from Ashlin Court on site to discuss the matter further. It was agreed that correspondence be copied to both parties and that the matter be referred back to Mr Rands.
- e) **Min 154g Wendover Road Verge**
It was commented that there may be a safety implication of tarmacking the verge in vehicles being encouraged to use it without damage to the verge. It was noted that smaller lorries are delivering to the shops. It was agreed to write to NLC again to ask for this matter to be resolved. It was noted that the telephone control unit recently installed on the footpath may be moved on the advice of NLC.
- f) **Min 159d Scout Store Extension**
Correspondence received from the Scout Group requesting that surplus soil be spread on the allotment site. It was agreed that this was not appropriate due to vehicle access but that if soil could be hand barrowed into the tree area it would be acceptable. It was suggested that good soil is always needed at Holme Meadow but that it would need to be free from stones.
- g) **Min 154m Brigg Road Speed Watch**
The data for March was circulated to all members and noted.
- 173. MINUTES OF LEISURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE 18TH March 2013**
- a) The minutes were circulated to all members prior to this meeting. They were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Vice Chairman.
- b) **Matters Arising**
1. **Min 167a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)**
The Clerk provided various information, but advised that due to audit commitments she had not been able to give the matter a lot of time. After discussion it was agreed to invite Simon Seal from NLC to the May meeting for his advice. It was also agreed that details of the MUGAs installed locally be emailed to all councillors for them to visit the sites if possible.
2. **Min 164b Holme Meadow Floodlights**
The Clerk reported that the newest floodlight is leaning precariously and appears to be damaged. She reported that she has been in touch with Holls Electrical who have carried out the replacement of the fittings and that they are to inspect and report back.

174. ACCOUNTS**a) Passed for Payment**

1.	Mrs J Walker – Clerk salary and allowance (Cheque 1 st May)	£992.30
2.	Mrs K Hall – play area attendant wages	130.25
3.	G East – handyman	142.42
4.	D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	72.00
5.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	206.00
6.	MetroRod Ltd – Holme Meadow drain jetting	720.00
7.	ERNLLCA – Annual subscription	797.87
8.	HMRC – quarterly PAYE payment	655.69
9.	Npower – Memorial electricity	48.59 d/d
10.	Npower – Holme Meadow electricity	235.41 d/d
11.	Owen Bowness – memorial timer repair	24.00

b) Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk produced a bank reconciliation to 31st March 2013 which was approved.

c) Monies Received

HMRC – VAT repayment £3601.86

175. PLANNING**a) Planning Applications before NLC**

2013/0266 Gilleard, 12 Knightsbridge Road – erect single storey extension to the rear of the property and a front porch. NO OBJECTION

Councillor England did not participate in discussion or voting on the above application.

b) Planning Decisions

2013/0147 Wise Owl Farm Nursery, 68 High Street – Display externally illuminated fascia sign. GRANT OF CONSENT.

c) Planning Applications to be considered by the Planning Committee

Applications received on 5th April for consideration before next Parish Council meeting:

2013/0356 West, 6 Brigg Road – erect single storey rear extension

2013/0361 Messingham Scout Group, West View – erect replacement extension to existing storage facility.

2013/0353 Poole, 46 High Street – change of use of existing tea room to a mixed use (Class A3 & A4) as a tea room with drinking establishment.

Meeting date agreed Monday 15th April 2013 at 7.00pm.

176. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NLC
1. Workers Memorial Day Event 25th April. Noted.
 2. Business Rates – Advice that no payment due for Holme Meadow due to Small Business Relief.
- b) ERNLLCA Newsletter – circulated.
- c) MESSINGHAM HORSE & FOAL SHOW SOCIETY – Advice of 2013 Show on 2nd June.
Councillors Foster and England declared their interest as members of the Show Committee. It was noted that Holme Meadow has been given free of charge in recent years and it was agreed to make no charge for the 2013 Show.

- d) LITTLEJOHN – Notice of Audit 10th June 2013.
- e) ALAN JOHNSON – Confirmation of internal audit requirements to be supplied by 18th April.

177. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- a) KEALHOLME ROAD – Resident’s complaint about car parked on verge. To be referred to Highways.
- b) BRIGG ROAD – gully outside No. 99 reported to cause flooding to No’s 101.103 & 105. To be referred to NLC.
- c) CROSS TREE ROAD – Pot hole to be referred to Highways.
- d) NORTHFIELD ROAD – manhole cover proud on footpath – to be referred to Highways
- e) ORCHARD CLOSE – snicket to high Street needs cleaning – to be referred to Neighbourhood Services
- f) CIGARETTE ENDS – reported on footpath outside Crown Inn. To be rererred to NLC. Broken glass outside the pub on Park Street also reported.
- g) TWIGMOOR SIDE ROAD – Asbestos still not collected and now broken into small pieces.
- h) BUTTERWICK ROAD – Flytipped bags of rubbish on left before traffic lights – to be reported to Neighbourhood Services.

178. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) MAY MEETING – The Clerk requested a change of meeting date to accommodate her holiday. It was agreed to reschedule to Monday 20th May.
- b) INSURANCE FOR EQUIPMENT HIRE – Councillor Elsome queried the responsibility for insurance with relation to hired equipment by a third party on Parish Council land. It was noted that MJFC may have hired a roller for the playing field extension against the strict instructions from the parish council not to roller the football pitches under any circumstances. MJFC to be contacted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 8.37pm.