

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **13th July 2015** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), Mrs J Briggs, Mrs G Sherwood, Mrs P Skelton, J McKellar Main, A Clark, J England, M Proctor, W Elsome, Mrs B Todd, M Caley & T Foster; 5 members of the public and the Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM – None of the members of the public present wished to address the members.

43, APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillor P Wright.

44. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS

Two applicants for the two vacancies were considered as follows:

1. Mr Antoune Holmes. *Councillor England declared his personal interest as a friend of the applicant.*
2. Mr Keith Sylvester. *Councillor Clark declared his personal interest as a friend of the applicant.*

Both applicants were co-opted by unanimous vote.

As the co-opted councillors were present they were given New Councillor Packs and asked if they wished to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of office immediately in order to take part in the meeting. Both agreed and took their places.

45. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

- a) Councillor Mrs B Todd – personal interest re. correspondence from Mrs Jackson.
- b) Councillor W Elsome – personal interest re. correspondence from Mrs Jackson
- c) Councillor Mrs P Skelton – personal interest re. correspondence from Mrs Jackson
- d) Councillor Mrs G Sherwood – personal interest re. PA/2015/0577

46. POLICE MATTERS

- a) Ridge Newsletter received and circulated to all members prior to the meeting. Noted
- b) Councillor McKellar Main advised that 'Lifestyle' had been launched for the summer holidays and some groups from Messingham had registered to take part.
- c) The Chairman commented on recent damage to the church meeting room window and the bowls club, plus suspicious behaviour from youths outside the MUGA – all reported to the police.
- d) Councillor England asked for feedback from the recent road traffic incident on Brigg Road – Councillor McKellar Main reported that the driver had been charged with drinking and driving. It was noted that the other occupants of the vehicle had left the scene but no other information known.

47. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 8TH June 2015

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.

48. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 26b Glendale Countryside Invoice

The Clerk reported that additional work had been carried out satisfactorily to resolve the disputed charge for weed spraying. The invoice had therefore been paid. This action was approved.

b) Min 27a Planning Application 2015/0605

Noted that this application has been withdrawn.

c) Min 28f Scunthorpe Road Running Club

Donation received for the use of Holme Meadow for £52.00

d) Min 28d Parking on Verges

Further correspondence received from Mr Reed. Noted

e) Min 29b,d,e,f,g Highway Issues

The Clerk reported that no response had been received from Highways but that there was evidence of some of the issues being dealt with. The Chairman suggested re-sending the email to Rob Beales for a response and commented that recent re-organisation at North Lincolnshire Council has appointed a dedicated Ward Officer as a first point of contact.

f) Min 29c MUGA

Councillor Elsome reported that youths are coming to Messingham in cars in order to use the MUGA.

The Clerk reported that a padlock has been fitted to the rear gate by person(s) unknown. It was agreed that this should be removed and replaced, to be unlocked daily by the caretaker for reasons of health and safety. It was also noted that the caretaker has fitted a padlock to main gate of the MUGA so that it can be locked every evening. It was agreed to allow this practice but to monitor the usage of the MUGA during summer evenings.

49. MINUTES OF ALLOTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 15th June 2015

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

Matters Arising**a) Min 484a Rabbit Control**

The Clerk reported that Mr Benson has provided the necessary documents .

b) Min 485a Resignation of Mr M Walker – Parish Council Representative

It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mr Walker for his many years as the Parish Council Representative. The Clerk reported that Mr Walker has agreed to be the judge for the Best Kept Allotment competition this year.

It was agreed to appoint Mr John Walker as the new Parish Council Representative on the Allotment Advisory Committee. It was noted that this vacancy can be filled without advertising.

c) Min 488 Maintenance of Vacant Allotments

Noted that the handyman has carried out the strimming of overgrown allotments as required.

d) Min 489 Allotment Road

Noted that further inspection has been carried out – price still to be obtained.

50. MINUTES OF LEISURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE 22nd June 2015

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.

Matters Arising**a) Min 35b Messingham Show**

Correspondence received from the Secretary of the Show Committee to apologise for the oversight of leaving the height barrier and changing facility open, with assurances that controls will be in place in future to prevent a recurrence.. *Councillors J England and T Foster declared their personal interest as members of the Show Committee.*

b) Min 35c Dog Waste Bin - Holme Meadow

The Clerk reported that she visited the site with Mrs DeBoer from Neighbourhood Services to determine the problem. It had been agreed that the usage of both bins will be monitored before a decision is taken to move the bin on the outside of the gate.

c) Min 36a Play Area Weeds

The Clerk reported that the handyman had carried out strimming and weedkilling on the perimeters of the play area during the two days that it had been closed due to the car park painting work.

d) Min 36b Play Area Painting

The Clerk reported that she had not contacted Steve Rands for a price to date. It was noted that this work couldn't be carried out until after the summer holidays anyway.

e) Min 38a Playing Field Extension

The Clerk reported that the handyman had carried out strimming as required. Councillor Elsome commented that a great deal more work is to be done to reinstate the ground.

f) Min 35a Holme Meadow Maintenance

Councillor Elsome suggested that the piles of sand/soil left over from last year be levelled off when the pitch maintenance takes place. Agreed to ask Mr Harkness to do this.

51. MINUTES OF WEB SITE COMMITTEE 29th June 2015

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.

Matters Arising**a) Min 42a Web Stats Package**

The Clerk reported that the Web Stats package is already in place. Councillor McKellar Main commented that activity on the website fluctuated, with no activity in the early part of the year but higher in May and June.

b) Min 41 Website Updates

The Clerk reported that she carried out most of the updates as agreed except for the contact details and event information from local organisations, and the photographs of the MUGA for the picture gallery.

c) Min 42b Web Cam Broadcasting

For the benefit of the members of the public present the Clerk reported the decision not to go ahead with web cam broadcasting.

52. ACCOUNTS**a) Bank Reconciliation to 30th June 2015**

The bank reconciliation was circulated to all members present and approved. There were no questions.

b) 2015/16 Budget Summary to 30th June 2015

The budget summary was circulated to all members present and approved. There were no questions.

c) Passed for Online Payment/Direct Debit

1.	Mrs J Walker – Clerk Salary & allowance	£1023.07
2.	D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	84.00
3.	Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	226.00
4.	Digitech Business Equipment – photocopy costs	38.99
5.	Npower – playing field (MUGA) electricity	72.48
6.	Anglian Water – allotments water	70.62

d) Passed for Cheque Payment

1.	Mrs K Hall – play area attendant	136.60
2.	Handyman including deduction for August 2014 overpayment	158.70
3.	Scunthorpe Lawnmowers Ltd – strimmer repair	86.32
4.	6 th Scunthorpe (Messingham) Scouts – precept grant	100.00
5.	Builders Merchant Co – materials for Holme Meadow	9.07
6.	Zurich Insurance – annual premium	923.08
7.	North Lincolnshire Council – summer bedding plants	1496.47
8.	Anglian Water – Holme Meadow water	13.24

e) Monies Received

1.	Messingham Junior F C – 2014/15 season charge	758.00
2.	Scunthorpe Road Running Club – donation for Holme Meadow	52.00
3.	Messingham Village Hall – land rent 2014/2015	2.00
4.	Messingham Junior FC – summer tournament	100.00
5.	Yorkshire Bank – deposit account interest	0.06

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

- 2015/0737 Slingsby, 16 Cross Tree Road – roof lift conversion. NO OBJECTION
- 2015/0757 Moore, 74 Butterwick Road – single storey rear extension including demolition of utility & external store. NO OBJECTION
- 2015/0651 Gouldthorp, Grange Park Aquatics, Butterwick Road – change of use to form a petting zoo, associated parking, access and café. NO OBJECTION
- 2015/0577 Withers, 19 Brigg Road – increase roof height for additional first floor accommodation; carry out alterations and extensions to form kitchen/living/dining area; demolish rear annex and erect detached double garage. NO OBJECTION
- 2015/0645 Wood, Mells Farm, Kirton Road – erect six 7m 1000w floodlights. NO OBJECTION

Councillor J England took no part in voting on any of the above applications.

b) Planning Decisions by NLC:

- 2015/0397 Kirby, 74 Kealholme Road – replace conservatory with orangery. APPROVED
- 2015/0548 Karlsberg, 8 Temperance Avenue – rear extension. APPROVED
- 2015/0555 Grout, Weldon, Chestnut Drive – replacement garage. APPROVED
- 2015/0501 Barnett, 20 Northfield Road – dormer extension. APPROVED
- 2015/0364 Jade Pavilion, Wendover Road – change use + rear extension. APPROVED
- 2015/0599 Foster, Willow Farm, North Moor Road – extension and terrace. APPROVED

54. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **NLC** 1. Messingham School Traffic Order consultation. *Councillor N Poole declared his personal interest as a member of North Lincolnshire Council; Councillors Mrs B Todd, Mrs G Sherwood and Mrs P Skelton declared their personal interests as neighbouring residents to the school.* After discussion it was noted that parking problems still exist on West Green and that new problems have arisen on Wendover Road with cars parking close to the roundabout and the Kealholme Road junction. It was agreed to accept the current order to ask for an amendment to add yellow lines on Wendover Road close to the roundabout and Kealholme Road junction. *Councillors Poole and England abstained from voting.*
2. Local Development Framework Draft – noted.
- b) **ERNLLCA** – 1. Newsletter; 2. Annual General Meeting notification; 3. Annual Meeting of District Committee notification. All noted
- c) **MR G F WHITE** – Proposed erection of single wind turbine in West Butterwick. Noted
- d) **C DAVIDSON** – Highway safety – banners on safety guard railings at pedestrian crossing. It was noted that the banner in question had been removed and the event organiser contacted by NLC. It was agreed to obtain guidelines from NLC with regard to roadside advertising signs and banners.
- e) **MRS R JACKSON** – Parking on footpaths in West Green. It was noted that building work is being carried out at 4 West Green which has resulted in the footpath being obstructed on occasion. Agreed to forward the correspondence to NLC and the Police for their attention.
- f) **NPOWER BUSINESS** – Notification of price increase. The Clerk reported that she had contacted Npower to negotiate a better rate and had accepted the Variable Rate option which gives a cheaper standing charge than is currently being charged and a lower usage rate than the quoted increase. This action was approved and it was agreed to look into changing suppliers for a better rate in the future.
- g) **MESSINGHAM JUNIOR FC** – Request to use Holme Meadow for pre season games, plus use of playing field extension for an FA skills team session. *Councillor Mrs P Skelton declared her personal interest.* These were approved. The Clerk reported that details of the post season games for the adult teams had not been supplied despite two requests and that she intended to make a calculated guess and invoice accordingly. Approved.
- h) **C DAVIDSON** – Drainage ditch & sunken sewerage manhole A159. It was agreed to forward the letter to Rob Beales at Highways for his attention.

55. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS/COMPLIMENTS

- a) **TRAFFIC LIGHTS CATCHWATER CROSSROADS** – overhanging branch obstructing the sensor for the traffic lights outside Bridge Farm.
- b) **DOG FOULING** – request to install a covert camera to identify the owners of the persistent dog fouling in the snickets between West Green to High Street and School Drive.
- c) **HIGHGROVE** – road surface damage reported outside No. 22 to be reported to Highways; road not being swept – contact Neighbourhood Services.
- d) **PARK STREET** – parking on the footpath and yellow lines when visiting the Crown Inn particularly in the early evening and especially Fridays. Harry Metcalfe of NLC to be informed.
- e) **SPEEDING** – Scotter Road as vehicles leave the village. To be referred to Roy Hindmarsh.
- f) **STATHER HILL** – litter being thrown out of moving cars. It was noted that this can only be dealt with if details of the vehicle are reported to North Lincolnshire Council.
- g) **BUTTERWICK ROAD** – noted that some rubbish had been dumped outside the Priesthows site but had since been removed.
- h) **FLYTIPPING** – Twigmoor Side Road. Request to have covert camera installed. To be referred to Stephen Coulman at NLC
- i) **SCOTTER ROAD** – water reported to be collecting after heavy rainfall in the centre of the road close to Scallow Lane/Beggar Hill; footpath also reported to be collapsing which may be contributing to a blockage of the roadside grips. To be referred to highways.

- j) **MESSINGHAM SUPPORTERS GROUP EVENT** – the Chairman commented that the recent Caterpillar Trail event had been very well attended in the Village Hall and it was noted that approximately £85,000 has been raised by the group for the Lindsey Lodge Hospice during the last 10 years.
- k) **SAND QUARRY DEVELOPMENT** – the Chairman reported on his recent meeting with Sibelco with regard to proposed new development and voiced his concerns for the volume of traffic and the subsequent deterioration of the road surface that this will cause.

56. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) **EAST MIDLANDS IN BLOOM COMPETITION** – Councillor England reported that the judging had taken place on 13th July and favourable comments had been made by the judges despite the relatively poor planting this year. The Clerk commented that she had escorted Mrs DeBoer of Neighbourhood Services to inspect all the flowerbeds which are now planted by NLC. It was agreed that there was not a great deal of variation and that some beds were sparsely planted, but she agreed to have each bed measured to ensure the correct number of plants are ordered in the future.
- b) **PLAY AREA INSPECTION** – The Clerk reported that the annual inspection had been carried out by NLC on 26th June with only three defects reported: gaps between tiles around the climbing frames need filling; some areas of the wet pour surfacing are worn through to the stone foundation; play in the bearings of both Crazy Twisters to be monitored for further deterioration.
- c) **MEMORIAL** – Flagpole rope has been vandalised and requires replacement. The Clerk advised that a new rope will cost approximately £50. It was agreed to order. It was also reported that the slabs at the base of the memorial are uneven and require re-laying. It was agreed to contact Richard Benson for a quotation for this.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 9.07pm