

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on Monday **11th January 2016** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm/

PRESENT: Councillors J McKellar Main (Chair), Mrs B Todd, K Sylvester, A Clark, Mrs P Skelton, M Proctor, W Elsome, T Foster, J England, A Holmes, Mrs J Briggs, P Wright & M Cale; the Clerk and two members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM - No members of the public wished to speak.

125. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors Mrs G Sherwood and N Poole.

126. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None received.

127. POLICE MATTERS

Ridge Ward Newsletter received and circulated to all members. It was noted that this will be the last newsletter due to the retirement of the person responsible but that information is still available online.

128. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 14th December 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 Chair of the meeting.

129. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 117c Outstanding Village Complaints

Update received from Les Bradshaw to advise the following:

1. Fungi removed from Briggate Drive verge;
2. Footpath between Highgrove and Northfield Road cleared;
3. Pothole on Northfield Road not found/identified
4. Holme Lane flytipping removed;
5. Unable to locate larger satellite bin for High Street but offered to fit additional bin if required. It was agreed that an extra bin be requested to be fitted on the same post if possible.
6. Mole catcher attended Brigg Road junction with High Street.

b) Min 117d MUGA Attendant Vacancy

The Clerk reported that there had been no interest in the vacancy to date and suggested that posters be put up around the village for wider advertising. This was agreed.

c) Min 118b Cross Tree Road – Street Naming Change Enquiry

Councillor Wright declared his personal interest and left the room. The Clerk advised members of the cost of initiating the survey of residents by North Lincolnshire Council. It was noted that this information was not fully available at the December meeting due to a computer malfunction. It was suggested that the Parish Council conduct the survey to avoid the cost so it was agreed to seek advice to this effect.

d) Min 123a/b/e/g Village Complaints

Response from Les Bradshaw advising that grass verge on High Street and the overhanging hedge on Trentholme Drive had been done and that the potholes on Kealholme Road and the damaged bollard on Scotter Road were in hand. It was noted that the verge on High Street had NOT been done and it was agreed to pursue this.

e) Holme Meadow Sign

The Clerk commented that the change of Clerk during 2016 should be taken into account before replacing the sign as the contact details will obviously change. Following correspondence from Mr R Harkness of MJFC and Mr Welch of Holme Lane, discussion took place about the increased dog fouling present on the field and it was agreed that temporary notices should be placed around the car park fencing and the middle gate to advise the public that a dog ban will be implemented if the dog fouling problem doesn't improve. It was also agreed to ask the Scunthorpe Telegraph to report these measures.

f) Min 124a Allotment Advisory Committee

The Clerk advised that the date of the next meeting will be on Monday 22nd February.

g) Min 124b W.I. Centenary Roses

The Clerk reported that she had received no response from the WI to date – Councillor Wright to ensure that Mrs Wright receives the request previously sent .

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

1. Mrs J Walker - Clerk salary & allowance (pay 29.1.16)	£ 1024.07
2. Mrs J Walker – repay for Internet Security subscription	44.99
3. D Jacklin Ltd – mole control	84.00
4. Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	226.00
5. Npower – Memorial electricity	35.35 d/debit
6. Npower – Holme Meadow electricity	77.89 d/debit

b) Passed for Cheque Payment:

1. Mrs K Hall – play area attendant	136.60
2. G East – handyman	114.32
3. CPRE – Annual Subscription	36.00
4. Scunthorpe Lawnmower Repairs – mower & strimmer service	122.37
5. JRB Enterprises – dog waste bags	259.20
6. HMRC – quarterly PAYE	368.27

c) Monies Received:

Yorkshire Bank – deposit account interest	0.06
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131. PLANNING**a) Planning Decisions by NLC:**

- 2015/1362 W Smith, land east of Priesthows, Butterwick Road – residential development (one dwelling). APPROVED
- 2015/0796 Kirby, Former School, Northfield Road – change use of part of building for three shops, café and associated parking. APPROVED

Councillor England took no part in discussions for the above applications.

132. CORRESPONDENCE

- NLC
 - Street Sport Sessions – advice of cost of future sessions. Noted.
 - Highways & Neighbourhood Services – update of services.
 - Delivering Differently Programme – date to be arranged.
 - Lincolnshire Lakes Action Plan – advice of consultation period
- ERNLLCA
 - Newsletter
 - External Audit – information re. proposed changes.

- c) R WELCH Complaint re. Holme Lane traffic/dog fouling/ damage to roadside. It was agreed to forward this complaint to both Planning and Highways. The serious verge damage on Holme Lane was noted.

133. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- a) ASHLIN COURT/BRIGGATE DRIVE – faulty streetlight previously reported and repaired but the on/off fault re-occurs. Agreed to request a replacement light.
- b) WEST GREEN – faulty streetlights reported – No. 10 and No. 5
- c) WENDOVER ROAD – large pot hole opposite the Co-op store. Noted that this and other pot holes had been reported by Councillor Foster
- d) BRIGG ROAD – the previously reported damaged surface grips near the Z bends still require attention. It was noted a road closure is needed for this work which may account for the delay. It was agreed to forward this complaint to Councillor Poole as Cabinet Member for Highways.
- e) DOG FOULING reported on Brigg Road, Saltergate Road, Kealholme Road, Wendover Road and High Street. It was noted that the public need to be encouraged to report culprits as and when they are seen.
- f) HIGHGROVE – schedule to be checked for the repair to the damaged surfacing at the entrance off Northfield Road.
- g) HIGHGROVE – Reported that the area between no's 17 and 23 has not been swept for four months - to be referred to Neighbourhood Services.
- h) ASHBERRY DRIVE – blocked drain near the junction with Brigg Road previously reported still requires repair as it is currently under water.
- i) WEST GREEN/SCHOOL DRIVE SNICKET – flooded footpath still requires attention – to be forwarded to Councillor Poole as Cabinet Member for Highways for action.
- j) SCOTTER ROAD A159 – debris from dyke clearance still to be removed – to be forwarded to Councillor Poole.
- k) SCHOOL TIME PARKING – email noted from Councillor Sherwood outlining the various issues. Email forwarded to Harry Metcalfe (Parking Enforcement) for his attention. It was noted that the school plan is not working and no enforcement. It was agreed to write to the school for their help with this matter.

134. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) PLAY AREA MAINTENANCE
1. The Clerk suggested that paint 'fit for purpose' for the painting of play equipment could be purchased and the handyman tasked to paint the equipment in stages. It was agreed to contact a local supplier to price up the paint needed.
 2. The Clerk reported that one of the floor panels on the roundabout requires replacement at an approximate cost of £295 from Wicksteeds. It was agreed to order the replacement and to price up replacement equipment also. To be referred to the Leisure & Recreation Committee.
- b) GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT
- It was agreed to accept the Glendale Countryside quotation as previously discussed. It was also agreed to ask the contractors to supply a risk assessment.

c) EMPLOYEE PENSION SCHEME

The Clerk advised of the new regulations regarding employee pensions and reported that she had enrolled the Parish Council with N.E.S.T at no charge. It was noted that of the current employees only the Clerk needs to be automatically enrolled with the others having the right to request enrolment. The Clerk also advised that she intended to opt out of the pension scheme so there would be no cost to the Parish Council to consider until a new clerk is in place.

d) CHRISTMAS TREE

The Clerk reported that the Christmas tree had been removed by Barry Ross and John Walker. It was agreed to send thanks to John Walker for his involvement.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING