

Minutes of **Parish Council** meeting held on **Monday 8th March 2010** in the Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), J R Walker, Mrs B Todd, W Elsome, M Proctor, J McKellar-Main, J England, M Caley, G Day, Mrs J Briggs, J Mountain and the Clerk. Councillor P Wright arrived at 7.20pm

180. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors R Nixon, Mrs G Sherwood and T Foster

181. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

The Clerk reported that she recently attended an NLC training course on the Code of Conduct and advised members to be aware of the need to amend their registered interests as soon as a change occurs.

182. POLICE MATTERS

- a) Ridge crime statistics received from PC Teal and circulated to all members
- b) It was noted that the new waste bin at the Church has recently been the target of an arson attack. The Clerk reported that she had not received any information from the Church in this respect. Councillors expressed their disappointment that the Church had not reported to the Parish Council and it was agreed to write to the Vicar.
- c) Councillor Proctor commented that a police presence in the village appeared to have diminished. The Chairman reported that this is not the case.

183. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 8TH February 2010

The minutes were circulated to all members prior to this meeting. An amendment to Min 171a was made to read: *Westfield Drive* instead of West View. Following this amendment the minutes were approved and accepted as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

184. MATTERS ARISING

a) Min 169b 5 Northfield Road

Response received from NLC advising that there is not commercial activity taking place and that the resident had now removed the advertising sign. It was noted that parking is still taking place on the verge and that it still needs reinstating. It was agreed to ask NLC for the definition of the grass verges in the village.

b) Min 169c Wendover Road Drainage

The Chairman reported that major works are due to start week commencing 22nd March and that diversions will be in place for service vehicles. It was noted that at least three accidents have been reported as a result of the flooding at the junction.

c) Min 170b/2 Play Area

Further to the enquiry for a replacement climbing frame various options from Wicksteeds were considered. The Clerk reported that the balance of the S106 fund is £5000 which needs to be spent by mid 2011. It was agreed that the balance should be considered for other age groups and that this should be on the agenda of the Annual Parish Meeting for public opinion.

d) Min 172a/2 Catchwater Crossroads

Further correspondence received from NLC advising that a barrier could not be fitted but that improved signage and speed reduction measures have been approved.

184. MATTERS ARISING continued**e) Min 172e Public House Smokers**

Response from Trevor Laming advising that the problem is the result of poorly drafted legislation on smoke free public premises. He also asked if the Parish Council had approached the public houses directly – it was agreed that this is not an appropriate course of action by the Parish Council and the Clerk advised that she had already made Mr Laming aware of this.

f) Min 174a Wendover Road

It was noted that the pothole close to the East/West Green roundabout had been repaired but that there are several others on Wendover Road which require attention.

g) Min 174b Crown Inn Wall

A response had been received from Enterprise Inns and it was noted that work has now commenced on replacing the rendering. Further correspondence had also been received from the contractor who is doing the work to introduce himself should problems arise.

h) Min 175a Local History Group Book

A quotation for 100 copies of the 'Brief History of Messingham' at £230, plus 100 copies of the MacKinnon 'Account of Messingham 1824' at £180 was considered and with recommendation from the Website Development committee it was agreed to order 100 of each and to advertise them on the website and on local notice boards at a cost of £3.00 and £2.00 respectively with a special offer price of £4.50 for both plus any postage costs.

i) Min 172b Royal Garden Party

Correspondence was received from ERNLLCA advising that the Chairman, Councillor Neil Poole, and his wife have been drawn to attend the Royal Garden Party.

185. MINUTES OF THE WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE 15th February 2010

The minutes were circulated to all members prior to this meeting. The minutes were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

a) Matters Arising**Min 178i/5 Web Statistics Report**

The Clerk advised that a one off cost of £ 12 has been quoted by Kyanite to provide a web statistics report. This was agreed.

It was further agreed that the website is a long term project and should be monitored before considering further developments.

186. PLANNING**a) Notification of Appeal**

2009/0444 Act Fast – land adjacent to Bottesford Beck, North Moor Lane – appeal against condition 3. Comments emailed from Councillor Sherwood were read out. It was agreed to support the retention of condition 3 to avoid the land being left in an untidy state which is visible from the road. It was also noted that trial bikes have been seen riding through neighbouring fields.

b) Planning Applications before NLC

1. 2010.1294 Jarvill, 7 Eastfield Road – retain a raised playhouse. NO OBJECTION
2. 2010/0228 W Smith, Land opposite Beidge Farm, Butterwick Road – create new entrance. NO OBJECTION

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

c) Full Permission Granted by NLC

2010/0112 Helley, 43-45 Butterwick Road – erect new dwelling with detached garage and access.

187. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) NLC
1. Grounds Maintenance Quotation for flowerbeds £1351.12 Accepted
 2. Strategic Housing Co-ordinator – Housing Priorities for North Lincolnshire consultation. Noted
 3. Highways – Response ref. Holme Lane weight limit request – it was agreed to ask for a further survey on Holme Lane to determine the amount of HGV traffic.
 4. Pub is the Hub – Workshop. Noted
 5. Environment Officer – Advice of tree removal on Brigg Road/Scotter Road junction.
- b) ERNLLCA – Newsletter and advice of Spring Conference on April 17th. The Clerk advised that she would be unable to attend this year.
- c) RIDGE WARD COUNCILLORS – Copy correspondence for information re. Well Street flooding issues – enquiries ongoing.
- d) LINCOLNSHIRE HOUSE – Request to use Holme Meadow for fundraising event on 15th August. The Clerk advised that there are no other bookings. It was agreed that more information is needed before permission is given. The clerk further advised that she had spoken to the organiser by telephone who had verbally requested free use of the field, as it is a charity event. It was agreed to consider this when further information is received.
- e) CPRE – Entry Forms for Best Kept Village Competition. It was agreed to enter – entry fee £25.
- f) W LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL – Consultation re. gypsy and traveller sites. Noted
- g) SCUNTHORPE PROPERTY SERVICES – introduction of new electrical contracting company. Noted
- h) 1ST MESSINGHAM GUIDES – Request to plant a commemorative tree. This was discussed and agreed that a tree can be planted on Holme Meadow but it was further agreed that the guides be asked to plant a minimum 6' tree and that it should be planted in early Spring or Autumn.
- i) MESSINGHAM SHOW – Notice of 2010 Show on 6th June.
- j) YORKSHIRE IN BLOOM – Further information re. judging schedule. Noted.

188. ACCOUNTS**a) Passed For Payment:**

1. Mrs J Walker – Clerk's Salary & Allowance – paid by standing order	£950.34
2. Mrs K Hall – Play area attendant	125.00
3. Mrs J Walker – broadband account	15.99
4. G East – handyman	65.20
5. D Jacklin Ltd – pest control	117.50
6. Messingham Village Hall – monthly rent	200.00
7. North Lincolnshire Council – waste bin – Holme Meadow	319.57
8. Green Thumb – lawn treatment Memorial	211.00
9. CPRE – Best Kept village competition entry fee	25.00
10. Npower – Electricity – Memorial – paid by direct debit	117.33
11. Npower – Electricity – Holme Meadow – paid by direct debit	75.44

b) Payments Made Between Meetings & Approved:

British Hardwood Trees – replacement hedge plants Butterwick Road	52.88
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c) Notice of Annual Audit

The Clerk advised that the audit is scheduled for 5th May. It was noted that this is short notice to finalise the year end accounts but the Clerk advised that she would ensure the deadline is met.

d) Outstanding Account

Wicksteed Leisure Ltd - £9364.54 for play area tile refurbishment. The Clerk advised that a credit note has been agreed due to a change in the original quotation but that it has not arrived to date. It was agreed to make payment on receipt of the credit note.

189. VILLAGE COMPLAINTS

- a) BRIGG ROAD – blocked gully opposite the village boundary.
- b) HOLME LANE – Various rubbish littered on the verges plus a tyre in the dyke near the Leaburn Road entrance.
- c) TWIGMOOR SIDE ROAD – It was noted that a quantity of builders waste had been dumped but has since been removed.

190. OTHER BUSINESS

a) BOUNDARY DISPUTE

Councillor Elsome raised concern that there had been no response from the owner of 28 Northfield Road with regard to the boundary line of the fence to the rear of the property. It was noted that the owner, Mr Elvin, did not live at the property and that it is currently let. It was agreed to write to the occupier requesting permission to establish our boundary. It was agreed that our own fence be erected at an approximate cost of £250.

b) TWIGMOOR SIDE ROAD

Councillor Elsome raised concern that there had been no response from North Lincolnshire Council with regard to the soil heap, which has still not been removed. It was agreed that the Ridge Ward Councillors make further enquiries on the Parish Council's behalf. Copies of relevant correspondence to be forwarded.

c) MEETING DATES

1. Leisure & Recreation Committee – May meeting – the Clerk requested that this meeting be moved from Monday 17th May to 24th May. This was approved.
2. Annual Parish Meeting – After discussion it was agreed to book Tuesday 25th May subject to availability. It was agreed that if the main hall is not available, the Trinity Suite would be acceptable.

d) HOLME MEADOW

1. SDPOC – request for hire. The Clerk advised that this only one week after Messingham Show and one week prior to the Messingham Junior Football club tournament which are existing bookings. It was agreed that the booking be declined.
2. DOG WASTE GLOVES – the Clerk reported that the first batch of gloves had been used and replacements needed. It was noted that 800 bags have been used in approximately 6 weeks. It was agreed to order one more box and monitor the usage. It was also agreed to price up cheaper alternatives.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

MEETING CLOSED 9.22pm