

Minutes of the **Precept** meeting held in Messingham Village Hall on **Monday 22nd November 2021** at 7.00pm held in Messingham Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllrs. N Poole (Chairman), J Briggs, A Clark, W Elsome, J England, T Foster, J McKellar Main, J Oatridge, C Scott, P Skelton, B Todd, P Wright.

**In Attendance:** Tracey Black, Parish Clerk

**Also Present:** No members of the public were present

**162. Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs. J Fenwick and A Holmes.

**163. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr N Poole - Playing Field Association application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as Trustee.

Cllr N Poole - Bowls Club application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as member.

Cllr N Poole - Short mat Bowls Club application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as member.

Cllr P Skelton - Playing Field Association application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as elected officer of the Playing Field Committee.

Cllr P Skelton - Junior Football Club application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as elected officer of MJFC committee.

Cllr A Clark - Bowls Club application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as elected officer of committee.

Cllr A Clark - Short Mat Bowls Club application for grant aid – Prejudicial as elected officer of committee.

Cllr J England - Playing Field Association application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as nominal Vice-President of MMPFA.

Cllr J England - Messingham Horse & Foal Show application for grant – Prejudicial interest as elected officer.

Cllr T Foster - Messingham Horse & Foal Show application for grant – Prejudicial interest as elected officer.

Cllr W Elsome - Playing Field Association application for grant aid – Prejudicial interest as Trustee.

Cllr W Elsome - Messingham Junior Cricket Club application for grant aid - Prejudicial interest as Trustee.

Cllr B Todd - Planning application PA/2021/1740 – Personal interest as known to the applicant.

**164. Planning**

To resolve the planning applications from NLC

a) PA/2021/1740 – M Strong, 50 High Street – to erect a pair of semi-detached houses, including demolition of existing MOT garage and change of use of a commercial workshop to domestic garage.

**Resolved:** No Objections subject to due consideration being given to the following;

- the close proximity of the proposed development to petrol and diesel storage at the neighboring Jet fuel station.
- highway safety due to the close proximity of the proposed development to the junction of High Street with Butterwick Road.

**165. To approve the following payment;**

Ref	Date	Payee	Details	Vat	Total	Method
159	23/11/21	Playdale Playgrounds Ltd.	Roundabout – 50% deposit	1151.80	6910.81	online

**Resolved:** to approve the above payment.

**166. To consider the exclusion of the press and public for Agenda item 5 in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items of business to be discussed.**

There was no public present.

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**167. To consider the Bedding Planting & Maintenance tenders and agree the contractor and length of contract.**

**Resolved:** to accept the tender from A. Sissons on a three year contract to commence 2022 season.

**168. Minutes of Personnel & Finance Committee**

**i) To resolve to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Personnel & Finance committee held on 8/11/21.**

**Resolved:** to approve the minutes to be signed by the Chairman.

**ii) To resolve to adopt the recommendations.**

**Resolved:** to adopt the recommendations of the Personnel & Finance committee.

**Resolved; to re-open the meeting to the public**

**169. Annual Precept**

**a) Budget summary update - To approve the budget summary for 2021/22 against year to date and projected values and note any variances**

The budget summary as at 18 November 2021 had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. The Clerk explained the variances.

**Resolved:** to approve the summary as a basis to agree the 2022/23 budget.

**b) Bank Reconciliation – to approve the Bank reconciliation as at 18 November 2021 and projected balance as at 31 March 2022.**

The Bank reconciliation had been circulated to members prior to the meeting which agreed to the bank statement.

**Resolved:** to approve the Bank reconciliation as at 18 November 2021.

**c) 2022/23 Budget - To consider and agree the budget requirements for 2022/23**

**1. Salaries & Wages**

The Clerk advised that the Employers NI is due to increase to 15.05% wef. April 2022 but had not seen confirmation of the threshold limit.

**Resolved:** as per Personnel & Finance committee Min 168ii) – **Budget of £21,748**

**2. Administration**

**Resolved:** to decrease as rent would not be payable to Messingham Village Hall – **Budget of £4,650**

**3. Play Area/MUGA**

**Resolved:** to maintain the current budget – **Budget of £1,000**

**4. Holme Meadow**

**Resolved:** to allow a sum for additional grounds maintenance (spiking/tining) – **Budget of £3,000**

**5. Handyman**

The Chairman read a letter from the Handyman contractor to advise that his rate would increase to £22/hour with effect from 1 January 2022.

**Resolved:** to accept the increase to £22/hour – **Budget of £5,000**

**6. Grass Cutting**

**Resolved:** to base budget on 2021/22 spend – **Budget of £6,500**

**7. Pest Control**

**Resolved:** as per agreed 1 year contract - **Budget of £1,000**

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8. War Memorial  
**Resolved:** to maintain as 2021/22 and consider LED floodlights - **Budget of £1,000**
9. In Bloom  
**Resolved:** as per contract agreed in Minute 167 – **Budget of £8,500**
10. Chairman’s Allowance  
**Resolved:** to maintain as 2021/22 budget - **Budget of £250**
11. Public Works Loan  
**Resolved:** to maintain as per fixed loan repayments - **Budget of £2,929**
12. Miscellaneous  
**Resolved:** to increase in line with present year spend - **Budget of £2,000**
13. Future projects/developments  
Future projects were discussed of additional or extended Children’s Play Area; Toilet block at Holme Meadow Recreation field.  
**Resolved: Budget of £5,000**
14. Car Park  
**Resolved:** to include a nominal sum in the budget - **Budget of £500**
15. Messingham Community Hub  
**Resolved:** to increase budget to include for NLC rates; maintenance & running costs - **Budget of £8,000**

d) **Applications for Grant Aid (S137)**

**To consider the applications received for Grant Aid (s137) as per schedule circulated.**

All applications had been submitted with accounts or bank statements.

The Council resolved in accordance with its powers under sections 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, to incur the following expenditure;

1. Messingham Village Hall - £2,630 requested towards LED lighting in Hall, kitchen, main hall, Trinity suite & auto lights in toilets.  
**Resolved a grant of £2,630**
2. Friends of Messingham School - £5,000 requested towards outdoor learning shelter to be placed in the wild garden.  
*Cllr C Scott declared a personal interest.*  
**Resolved a grant of £1,000.**
- Cllr J England & Cllr T Foster left the room prior to discussion of the following item*
3. Messingham Horse & Foal Show Ltd - £1,000 requested towards provision of activities and facilities at MHFS on 5 June 2022.  
**Resolved a grant of £1,000.**  
*Cllr J England & Cllr T Foster returned to the room*
- Cllr W Elsome left the room prior to discussion of the following item*
4. Messingham Junior Cricket Club - £1,500 requested towards replacement of 20 year old netting on the permanent practice nets.  
**Resolved a grant of £1,500.**  
*Cllr W Elsome returned to the room*

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*Cllr P Skelton left the room prior to discussion of the following two items*

5. Messingham Junior Football Club - £1,795 requested for 1 no. set of wheeled 11-a-side u15/u16 goals.  
**Resolved a grant of £1,000.**

*Cllr W Elsome, Cllr J England & Cllr N Poole left the room prior to discussion of the following items*

*Cllr J McKellar Main chaired the meeting for the following three items*

6. Messingham Memorial Playing Field Association - £1,500 requested for specialised advice £750 & hire of machinery due to severe outbreak of chafer grub £1,250.

**Resolved a grant of £1,500.**

*Cllr. W Elsome, Cllr J England & Cllr P Skelton returned to the meeting*

*Cllr A Clark left the meeting prior to discussion of the following two items.*

7. Messingham Short Mat Bowls - £2,000 requested towards replacement of 2 short mat bowling mats.

**Resolved a donation of £1,500.**

8. Messingham Bowls Club - £800 requested towards replacement of rotten timbers on dich surrounds and replace existing sand with Astro Turf.

**Resolved a grant of £800.**

*Cllr N Poole and Cllr A Clark returned to the meeting*

*Cllr N Poole Chaired the meeting.*

9. HWRCC Community Transport – Donation towards running costs of the community transport service.

**Resolved a grant of £100.**

**e) 2022/23 Precept to NLC**

Total = £82,107

**It was resolved to precept £72,107 from North Lincolnshire Council with the shortfall to be met from reserves.**

**170. Flood lighting, Holme Meadow Recreation Field (Min 152a)**

The Clerk reported updated information received for the cost and specification to replace all 16 units with LED. It had been resolved at the November meeting to circulate the information for a decision.

**Resolved:** to accept the quotation from AC Wood Electrical for supply and installation of no.16 LED floodlights - £3,995.

**171. Community Hub Lease agreement**

The Lease agreement was signed by Cllr N Poole (Chairman) & Cllr J McKellar Main (Vice Chairman) and witnessed by Cllr J Briggs in front of all the members present.

**172. NLC Spring In Bloom Grant**

The Clerk advised that applications are open to apply for the NLC Spring In Bloom Grant with a closing date of 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Resolved:** Clerk to request an application form and criteria and to submit an application for funding.

This concluded the business of the meeting and the meeting closed at 8:25pm.

Signature

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