

Minutes of the **Precept** meeting held on **Monday 28th November 2022** at 7.00pm in Messingham Community Hub, Wendover Road, Messingham.

Present: Cllrs. N Poole (Chairman), J Briggs, A Clark, W Elsome, J England (*left the meeting at 19:25*), T Foster (*left the meeting at 19:25*), J McKellar Main, J Oatridge, C Scott, P Skelton, A Tasker.

In Attendance: Tracey Black, Parish Clerk

Also Present: No members of the public were present

142. Apologies for Absence – Cllrs. J Fenwick, Pollard, Todd

143. Declarations of Interest

Cllr P Skelton-Playing Field Association application for grant aid-Prejudicial interest as Treasurer of MMPFA.

Cllr P Skelton - Junior Football Club application for grant aid - Prejudicial interest as Treasurer of MJFC.

Cllr P Skelton-Messingham Brownies application for grant aid - Prejudicial interest as Treasurer of Brownies.

Cllr W Elsome - Playing Field Association application for grant aid - Prejudicial interest as a member of the committee.

Cllr W Elsome - Messingham Junior Cricket Club application for grant aid - Prejudicial interest as a member of the cricket club.

144. Planning

To resolve the planning applications from NLC

- a) PA/2022/2019 – L White, 14 Leaburn Road – outline planning permission to erect a bungalow with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved for subsequent consideration.

Resolved: To Object to planning application PA/2022/2019 for the following reasons;

- the visual impact of the street scene due to over development of the site
- the loss of residential amenity of the neighbouring property due to the proposed development overlooking and the close proximity.

145. To approve the following payment;

Ref	Date	Payee	Details	Vat	Total	Method
188	29/11/22	JEM Management Services	50% deposit to prepare and submit planning application for permanent changing facilities at Holme Meadow recreation field.	0	750.00	online

Resolved: to approve the above payment.

146. To consider the exclusion of the press and public for Agenda items 6-9 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 were no public present.

147. To consider the tenders for Village grass cutting and agree the contractor and length of contract.

The Clerk reported that 5 contractors had shown an interest and 2 tenders had been received.

Resolved: to accept the tender from L. Slingsby on a three year contract to commence 2023 season.

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- 148. To consider the tenders for Village Verge cutting and agree the contractor and length of contract.**
The Clerk reported that 5 contractors had shown an interest and 3 tenders had been received.
Resolved: to accept the tender from L. Slingsby on a three year contract to commence 2023 season.
- 149. To consider the tenders for Public Rights of Way for Messingham & Holme and agree the contractor and length of contract.**
The Clerk reported that 5 contractors had shown an interest and 2 tenders had been received.
Resolved: to accept the tender from Mill View Fencing on a three year contract to commence 2023 season.
- 150. To consider the tenders for Public Rights of Way & Verge cutting for East Butterwick & Public Rights of Way for Manton and agree the contractor and length of contract.**
The Clerk reported that 5 contractors had shown an interest and 2 tenders had been received.
Resolved: to accept the tender from Mill View Fencing on a three year contract to commence 2023 season.

Resolved; to re-open the meeting to the public

- 151. Annual Precept**
- a) **Budget summary update - To approve the budget summary for 2022/23 against year to date and projected values and note any variances**
The budget summary as at 21 November 2022 had been circulated to members at the meeting. The Clerk explained the variances.
Resolved: to approve the summary as a basis to agree the 2023/24 budget.
- b) **Bank Reconciliation – to approve the Bank reconciliation as at 21 November 2022 and projected balance as at 31 March 2023.**
The Bank reconciliation had been circulated to members at the meeting which agreed to the bank statement. The Clerk explained the breakdown of figures and projected balance as at 31 March 2023.
Resolved: to approve the Bank reconciliation as at 21 November 2022.
- c) **2023/24 Budget - To consider and agree the budget requirements for 2023/24**
1. **Salaries & Wages**
Resolved: to increase budget as per Personnel & Finance committee recommendation of salaries. As the Salary Scale point for 2023/24 has not been announced an allowance of 10% was placed in the budget – **Budget of £26,488**
- Cllrs J England & T Foster left the meeting*
2. **Administration**
Resolved: to decrease the budget based on predicted 2022/23 spend – **Budget of £3,400.**
 3. **Election Cost**
Resolved: Any cost incurred as the result of an election would be met from Reserves - **Budget £0.**
 4. **Play Area/MUGA**
Resolved: to decrease budget based on predicted 2022/23 spend – **Budget of £500**
 5. **Holme Meadow**
Resolved: to decrease budget based on predicted 2022/23 spend – **Budget of £2,000**

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6. Handyman
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget – **Budget of £5,000**
7. Grass Cutting
Resolved: to increase budget based on approved tender – **Budget of £7,300**
8. Pest Control
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget - **Budget of £1,000**
9. War Memorial
Resolved: to increase budget to allow for work to control chafer bug - **Budget of £1,500**
10. In Bloom
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget – **Budget of £8,500**
11. Chairman's Allowance
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget - **Budget of £250**
12. Public Works Loan
Resolved: to maintain as per fixed loan repayments - **Budget of £2,929**
13. Miscellaneous
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget - **Budget of £2,000**
14. Future projects/developments
To allow for a sum for permanent changing facilities / toilets on Holme Meadow Recreation field
Resolved: Budget of £22,000
15. Car Park
Resolved: to maintain as 2022/23 budget - **Budget of £500**
16. Messingham Community Hub
Resolved: to reduce budget with any NLC rate demand to be met from reserves - **Budget of £3,800.**

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;

Cllr W Elsome left the room prior to discussion of the following 2 items

1. Messingham Junior Cricket Club - £1,600 requested towards a new portable scoreboard.
Proposal: a grant of £1,600 **subject to** providing up to date annual accounts.
In accordance with Standing Order 3s) the Chairman asked for a recorded vote.
Cllr N Poole – For; Cllr A Clark – For; Cllr J Oatridge – For; Cllr A Tasker – For; Cllr C Scott – For;
Cllr P Skelton – For; Cllr J Briggs – For; Cllr J McKellarMain – For.
Resolved: a grant of £1,600 **subject to** providing accounts for the year ending 30 September 2022.

Cllr P Skelton left the room prior to discussion of the following 3 items

2. Messingham Playing Field Association - £1,500 requested towards the hire of specialist equipment to strengthen the grass and help contain further outbreaks of chafer grub.
Resolved: a grant of £1,500.
Cllr W Elsome returned to the room
3. Messingham Junior Football Club - £1,895 requested for 1 pair of portable mini soccer goals for U7, U8, U9, U10 teams at Northfield Road. 7 Teams over 3 pitches presently share one set.
Resolved: a grant of £1,895.

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Cllr J Oatridge declared a prejudicial interest and left the room prior to the following item.

4. 2nd Messingham Brownies - £700 requested towards the purchase of bags and hats for the girls to use on trips out, for easy identification and to help keep the girls safe. These will belong to the group and the girls will borrow. Also, woven badges with unit name and logo to identify the girls from the back.

Resolved: a grant of £700.

Cllr P Skelton & Cllr J Oatridge returned to the room

Cllr C Scott left the room prior to discussion of the following item

5. Village Hall Committee - £750 towards the cost to decorate the reception area as part of refreshing of all the Hall.

Resolved: a grant of £750 **subject to** evidence in the minutes of the Village Hall Committee showing agreement to submit a grant application for this purpose.

Cllr C Scott returned to the room

6. Messingham Horse & Foal Show Ltd - £1,100 requested towards provision of activities and facilities at MHFS on 10 June 2023.

Resolved: a grant of £1,100.

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

Resolved: a grant of £100.

e) **2023/24 Precept to NLC**

Total Budget = £94,218

It was resolved to Precept £71,000 from North Lincolnshire Council with the shortfall to be met from reserves.

This concluded the business of the meeting and the meeting closed at 19:57.

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