

Redbourne Parish Council Minutes

Parish Clerk – Deb Hotson, 79 Top Road, Worlaby, North Lincolnshire, DN20 0NG

Minutes of the Redbourne Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm on Monday 8th June, 2015 at St Andrews Church, Redbourne.

Present: Cllr Lurie (Chair), Cllr Muggleton,
Cllr Wainwright & Cllr Wright.

Also Present: NLC – Andy Tate & Chris Matthews, Giles Cooper & Gary Devan.
Deb Hotson – Clerk to the Council.

Public Comment

NLC Chris Matthews introduced himself as did Andy Tate stating that they are working within NLC Community Sector. A review is underway and will be in situ by the end of the month with regard to the structure and staffing of Neighbourhood and Highways Department and this will be followed by a review of the equipment. The review has taken longer than first hoped.

The creation of a ward based approach is being adapted and there will be 15 managing roles, covering 17 wards.

The cutting rotas have now been moved from 15 to 10 days and the inter town mowing will be carried out 4 times per year.

NLC are trying to respond to customer feedback including Best Kept Village competitors, but their biggest challenge is the weather.

The Parish Council did comment on some of the areas designated on the map provided by NLC.

NLC Andy Tate stated that the ward team will take pride in their area. Annualised hours have been reintroduced to staff which will allow more hours to be worked in the summer months and less in the winter. Cllrs Muggleton and Wainwright both stated that the grass cutting within the parish is appalling.

Concerns were raised too about the amount of debris on the Green which is just left by the grass cutters and the areas are mowed around instead of clearing the area first.

The Clerk had shown the NLC Representatives around the churchyard so they were able to see the state of the grass cutting which was undertaken sometime last week. The Clerk had reported the state of the cutting around the grave stones and the team had returned but it was visible that the area was not finished off to a good standard.

It was also stated that since the 30mph sign had been moved closer into the village the grass cutting now did not cover this remaining 150ft to the boundary. Cllr Poole had resolved this last year and the Parish Council would like the grass cutting to include this area again. Andy Tate stated that NLC can be flexible to accommodate differing parish needs but could see that the main issue at Redbourne was the standard of cut. Once the Ward Team Leaders were employed then they will attend Parish Council meetings on a regular basis. Clerk to liaise with NLC providing clarification of the next meeting date.

Chris Matthews did state that there were issues with equipment and this will be reviewed for the next mowing season.

NLC Chris Matthews and Andy Tate were thanked for attending the meeting, they left at 7.30pm.

Giles Cooper & Gary Devan addressed the Council with regard to their applications to join the Parish Council.

Cllr Lurie opened the meeting.

1506/1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Carr, Ward & all Ward Cllrs.

1506/2 Declaration of Interest

a. To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.
None declared.

b. To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.
None outstanding.

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1506/3 Minutes of Previous meeting

The Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 27th May, 2015 with the agreed matters of accuracy were approved and signed as a true and correct record.

1506/4 Co-option to fill two vacancies

Cllr Lurie stated that there were 2 applicants for the 2 Parish Council vacancies.

Resolved – the 2 applicants were duly elected by the Parish Council.

Cllr Cooper & Devan signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting.

1506/5 Best Kept Village

a. To consider the overlay maps and schedules received from NLC and determine actions required.

It was agreed the overlay was a good start point and the Parish Council were extremely pleased that the NLC representatives had attended the meeting – Clerk to send a note of thanks.

b. To consider handyman / one off jobs that need completing for the competition.

Clerk to ascertain when the judging will take place for the Best Kept Village.

The list of jobs was reviewed and jobs were allocated for completion.

The list will be updated and reviewed at the July meeting to ascertain if a handyman is still required.

Cllr Cooper to take a look at the baseball stand and if not in a good state remove from the site or relocate if state is reasonable.

Cllrs Carr, Devan and Wright to take a look at the suckers on the trees adjacent to Southfield Farm.

Cllr Cooper will begin to maintain the rill adjacent to Willow Cottage.

Seats and benches to be removed by Cllr Giles from the Green and he will also take a look at the seat on School Lane junction to see if this could be renovated.

Cllr Lurie to find out what the plans are for the sleeper bed on the Green.

Cllr Wright has refurbished the seats on the Falconers.

Cllr Devan stated that there are large rocks being thrown from farm vehicles when leaving the Manor Farm entrance. Cllr Lurie asked that he is emailed with the details and he can address the issue.

c. To make a final decision on the contents of the grant applications for seats, benches and notice boards.

The Clerk had obtained a quote from NLC after ascertaining that they were responsible for the refurbishing of the seats in Brigg Market Place.

The concrete memorial seat on the junction of School Lane is not repairable due to a large crack down the side through the bolts but Cllr Cooper to take a look.

The memorial seat in the church could be refurbished and Cllr Wright stated that he will take a look at this.

Resolved – the following will be included in the grant request from NLC.

3 recycled seats to be located at Little Redbourne, bus shelter opposite the Green and outside Pond Cottage.

1 Heritage seat to be located on the junction of School Lane.

2 benches to be located on the Green.

1 notice board to be located on the Green.

1506/6 Children's Play Area

a. To consider the agreement with regard to the request to use the play area as an overflow car park for a wedding in August determining actions required.

A copy of the notice and agreement was circulated prior to the meeting.

With the agreed amendment and additions it was **resolved** to forward the documentation to the requestor for comments.

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1506/7 Minor Items

a. To take any points from members.

- The Clerk had circulated a draft copy of the submission for the PCC magazine which was agreed. Clerk to add in concerns with regard to debris and grass cuttings being deposited in the dyke on Park Lane.
- The CCT had been in touch with the Clerk with regard to why the polling station was not held in the church and fund raising and the Clerk suggested that they attend a meeting to discuss the issue of funding further and to contact NLC with regard to the polling station.
- Cllr Wright informed the meeting that he had been contacted by a resident who had informed the Environment Agency (EA) about the unsheeted Lorries leaving the quarry. The access gate on Redbourne Road has been closed and the Lorries are using the haul road on Mill Road.

Clerk to contact the EA to ask for an update on the situation.

- Clerk to update the Contact list and issue to all members.
- Cllrs Cooper & Devan agreed to have their details within the CEP.
- Cllr Lurie informed members that he had met with Ralph Day with regard to the culvert on Park Lane. The culvert was clear of debris and Mr Day was confident that the leaves in the culvert would be washed away with a good downpour.

What was found on the visit was debris and grass cutting from residential properties adjacent to the dyke / culvert. Clerk to add an item in the newsletter to the PCC magazine.

Mr Day also has an interest in the dyke being kept clear and his farmland would be affected if flooding occurs.

Mr Day stated that if Cllr Wainwright any further issues she should contact him directly to organise a site meeting.

Mr Day also informed Cllr Lurie that a wildlife specialist was coming on site on the 13/07 to allow members to have a look at the bat and owl facilities on the Biomass site along with landscaping around the site. Clerk asked that Hibaldstow Parish Council were also included on the invitation.

- Cllr Wainwright stated that the street lights still had not been replaced – Clerk has chased this up with NLC and would do so again.

b. Matters of correspondence for information which arrived after the agenda was posted.

- No further information received.

1506/8 Agenda Items for the next meeting –

1506/9 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as Tuesday 7th July, 2015 at 7pm in St Andrews Church, Redbourne

1506/10 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

No items to be discussed.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.