

# **Redbourne Parish Council**

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# MINUTES of the Council Meeting of Redbourne Parish Council held on:

Tuesday 4 October 2022 19:00 at St Andrews Church, Redbourne.

<u>Present</u>: Chair Cllr Lynn Wainwright, Cllr Judy Brown, Cllr Geoff Hawley, Cllr Pauline Hawley & Cllr Phil Hotham

Jo Curtis – Parish Clerk Trevor Foster – Ward Councillor

## **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

#### 22/23 - 044 Apologies

Cllr P Stevenson

## 22/23 – 045 Declaration of Interest

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.

Cllr P Hawley payment for padlock for speed sign

To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below:

None

# 22/23 - 046 Minutes of Previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6 September 2022

The minutes were approved on the proviso that the reference to a difficult meeting that Cllr Wainwright and Cllr Stevenson had attended with NLC be removed from the record.

<sup>&</sup>quot;We record for the minutes the death of our Queen, Elizabeth 11 who died on 8 September 2022. We also acknowledge the 70 years of dedication she gave in service to this country and the commonwealth. May she rest in peace."

# 22/23 – 047 Report from Ward Councillors

Councillor Trevor Foster updated the Parish Council on activities within North Lincolnshire Council:

- NLC were committed to retaining the Old Tyre Dump land for the benefit of the local communities and were investigating the feasibility of making it into some sort of Nature Reserve or solar farm
- Neighbourhood Action Team alleged crime issues drugs, Anti-Social Behaviour. Essential all incidents were reported. If not reported then the assumption was it hasn't happened!
- Unfortunately, nobody turned up at Police Surgery in Kirton. Missed opportunity to discuss situation with local Police team.
- NATS meeting Caravan burglaries were prevalent.
- Quad bike crime on the increase. Any sightings needed to be reported to allow the Police to produce a strategy to catch the offenders. Some Quad bikes were actually pulling tanks for stealing fuel!
- Winter in Bloom and Spring in Bloom applications to be in by noon Nov 14th
- Recess now over and more people were returning to NLC offices.
- The Hewson House offices in Brigg were permanently closed and staff transitioned successfully.

## 22/23 – 048 North Lincolnshire Council Matters

To discuss and resolve any action on:

- i. The resurfacing of the snicket had still not been completed by the date given by NLC, Cllr Foster would chase up again to ascertain when this would happen.
- ii. Cllr Foster mentioned that the land owned by NLC on the airfield could possibly be developed as a solar farm.

#### 22/23 – 049 Governance & Financial Matters

i. To receive the Bank Reconciliation up to end September 2022 and approve payments for this period

The clerk had not been able to reconcile the receipts and payments ledger against the bank balances up to 30 September 2022 in time for the meeting. The bank balances were as follows:

#### Current account

Opening balance as at 26 August	276.33
Money in	2015.19
Money out	1066.69
Balance as at 27 September	1224.83
Business Money Manager account	
Opening balance as at 26 August	33005.52
Money in – bank interest	7.72
Money out - transfer to current account	2000.00
Balance as at 27 September	31013.24

ii. To approve the cost of the Christmas tree and payment up front before delivery. £130 delivered. All Approved. The clerk would be intouch with Fillingham Trees and let Cllr P Hawley know when the invoice was paid. **Resolved.** 

- iii. To approve budget for purchase of food and drinks for Christmas lights switch on event.
  - Councillors discussed the planning of the event. The school choir was no longer available. Cllr Brown was organising the hay bales. The clerk would organise the posters and leaflets. Cllr P Hawley had sourced a company who supplied hot chocolate drinks, which just needed hot water adding. 150 cups at £64 plus cost of lids. It was decided to purchase mulled wine x 12 bottles, sweets, fruit, mince pies and crisps. A budget of £200 was approved. **Resolved.**
- iv. To approve the cost of training for the Clerk to undertake the ILCA qualification in accordance with the conditions of employment.
  - The cost of £120 plus VAT was approved by councillors. Resolved

## 22/23 - 050 Planning

To discuss and resolve any action on:

- i. PA/2022/1168: Proposed Development planning permission to install a 10m high lightning conductor mast FULL PLANNING PERMISSION WITH CONDITIONS
- ii. PA/2022/951: Proposed Development Planning permission to vary condition to PA/2021/1110 namely to allow storage of smaller units, NOT YET DETERMINED
- iii. PA/2022/1294: Proposed Development planning permission for a temporary change of use for the storage of prefabricated units NOT YET DETERMINED
- iv. PA/2022/1282 Redbourne had not been informed of the application although the land referred to as south side of Slatehouse Farm fell within RPC boundaries. Although the closing date for comments was 17 August, 5 amendments to the application had been submitted up to 22 September. NOT YET DETERMINED
- v. Hibaldstow Parish Council were aware of unpermitted activity on the airfield. The Enforcement Officer had been informed that the piece of land owned by NLC had been used for crushing.

Councillors discussed at length the 3 planning applications relating to the storage of the modules on the airfield and questioned if they would ever be used to actually construct dwellings. It was feared the area was becoming industrialised by stealth and the landowner's intention was merely to store the units indefinitely.

### 22/23 – 051 Community Safety Matters

To discuss and resolve any action on matters affecting Community Safety.

i. Cllr J Brown reported that an escorted tractor and trailer carrying a wide load had driven through the village that evening at 6.30pm on route to the airfield. She had been stopped at Carr Lane to let it pass. The gap each side of the vehicle was approximately 18 inches from either side of the road creating a risk of damage to property and street furniture. It was the first time she had seen them coming through the village at dusk. The escort van was quite a way in front of the wide load which had difficulty getting past parked vehicles on the

carriageway. Cllr Foster had been advised at the recent NATS meeting that all affected parishes in Ridge Ward should write as a group to highlight the problem.

**Action:** The clerk was instructed to write a letter to Richard Hall, Highway Safety Manager, North Lincs Council

- ii. Concern was expressed by Cllrs at the condition of the verges and footpath on the B1206 from the airfield entrance. The grass verge was almost non-existent and the path along that stretch of road was covered in mud and debris making it difficult for pedestrians to walk along.
- Footpaths in the village were in a very poor state, High St, School Lane and Vicarage Lane were all breaking up.
   Action: The clerk would report the matter to NLC and copy in Cllr Foster
- iv. To discuss whether to buy another speed sign for the opposite side of the village?
  Councillors discussed the advantages of having a second speed sign. There was a pole already in place and a further set of brackets was available, the purchase of a further sign would be the only cost. Cllr Hawley said all the information for the speed sign was stored on top of the filing cabinet in the church office. The box must be kept in case the speed sign ever needed to go back to the manufacturer.
  Action: To be put on the next meeting's agenda

# 22/23 – 052 Community Facilities and Open Space Management

To discuss and resolve any action on:

- Play Area The swings and basket swings had been cleaned and spikes fitted on the top bars to deter pigeons landing and leaving further droppings.
- ii. Update on what's happening with the church clock the clerk had contacted Smith of Derby clockmakers, who had requested photos of the problem. Cllr P Hotham had photos and would contact Smith's directly.
- iii. Where to place the Queen's tree and do we rename it after her death? Councillors J Brown and L Wainwright would have another look and finally decide the best place to plant it in early November. Cllr G Hawley offered to dig the hole for it. A remembrance plaque in gratitude for the Queen's services and to celebrate her life would be placed by the tree.
- iv. Updates from the Gardening Group Cllr Wainwright reported that the 2000 replacement daffodils bulbs purchased the previous year had arrived from the supplier. Cllr P Stevenson also had 250 bulbs. Cllr J Brown had received a quote of £200 from local man Scot Roberts to plant them. This was cheaper than Sissons the previous year. It was **approved** for Scot to plant them, some near the Lodge Gates and the rest at the north end of the village. Cllr J Brown would let Scot know. Grass cutting tender for next 2023 it was decided to obtain 3 quotes by early January.
- v. To discuss ownership of the old A15 land when the road closed it was in the old Humberside region. It was recorded in the parish council minutes archive to ensure that the land

would always be designated for public use. The land had been cleared of rubbish and trees could be planted alongside the old footpath on Ermine Street. Councillors discussed and considered that this would be an ideal piece of land to plant trees to create a place where children could ride their bikes safely and families could visit. There were lots of trees available as part of the Humber Forest Partnership. The clerk would write to David Rose, Cabinet Member for Environment and Strategic Planning at North Lincs Council to register the Parish Council's wish to participate in the scheme.

- vi. To discuss advertising to attract more councillors the clerk had produced a poster to put on the website, Facebook page and noticeboards. She would send a copy to Cllr Wainwright to put on the noticeboards.
- vii. There was a Rowan tree in the pub car park and some of it had fallen into the road. Scot Roberts had removed the debris and Cllr P Hawley had taken photos of the damaged tree. The clerk would report it to North Lincs Council in case the tree was a potential hazard.
- viii. Cllr Wainwright advised that Mr N Elder would replace the slats on seating at the Falconers with hardwood as per the quotation of £280.00
- ix. The culvert near the pumping station was blocked with debris and needed clearing. The clerk would write to Anglian Water.
- x. On the same theme. North Lincs Council had cleared a section of the beck on School Lane to ensure the driveway culverts were clear and unobstructed. It was cleared as a one off only gesture, it was not the responsibility of NLC to maintain, as it was within riparian ownership. It was difficult to get the householders to maintain the beck as a collective. **Action**: Further discussion took place and it was decided to put the item on the agenda for the November meeting.

## 22/23 – 053 Clerk & Councillor Updates

All to update on items requiring attention since the September meeting not already discussed

- Clerk
  - Website: latest versions of policies, documents and the new employee and public liability certificates have been put on website. Planning page has been updated.
  - Gradually changing contact details with suppliers.
  - Contacted Smiths of Derby who have requested photos of the clock to assess the problem?
  - NLC have issued the deadline for submitting the 2023-2024 Precept as 30/12/2022. The clerk would prepare the spreadsheet ready for the next meeting to discuss precept requirements. Councillors discussed potential projects. Action to be placed on agenda for November.
  - The Emergency Plan was out of date.

# 22/23 – 054 Date and time of the next meeting

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Tuesday 8 November at 7.00pm. Meeting closed at 9.25pm