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

Tuesday 8 November 2022 19:00 at St Andrews Church, Redbourne.

Present: Chair Cllr Lynn Wainwright, Cllr Judy Brown, Cllr Geoff Hawley, Cllr Pauline Hawley & Cllr Phil Hotham, Cllr Penny Stevenson

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Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

22/23 – 055

Apologies

Cllr T Foster submitted his apologies at the October meeting.

22/23 – 056

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 L Wainwright payment for plants and compost purchased at Linden Nurseries

To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below: None

22/23 – 057

Minutes of Previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 4 October 2022 were approved and signed by Cllr G Hawley.

Cllr Hawley also signed the amended minutes for 6 September meeting.

22/23 – 058

Report from Ward Councillors

No report had been sent, in the absence of the ward councillors. As a parish council it was disappointing that there was no ward councillor representation considering the number of concerns on planning issues.

22/23 – 059

North Lincolnshire Council Matters

To be carried forwarded to the next meeting:
i. Resurfacing of the snicket

22/23 – 060 Governance & Financial Matters

- i. To receive the Bank Reconciliation up to end October 2022. Approve payments for this period. **Resolved**. Approve payment of clerk’s salary for October 22. **Resolved**

DETAILS				PAYMENTS				
Date	Description	Notes/Reference	Trans	TOTAL	VAT	Transfers from Main Account	Transfers from Savings account	BALANCE
02/09/2022	Bank Interest	Interest	BP	0.00				33304.76
07/09/2022	HMRC Sep	PAYE	BP	40.60				33264.16
07/09/2022	Transfer from Savings Account	TRANS	BP	0.00			2000.00	33264.16
07/09/2022	Andrew Hopkins Sep	Salary/Expenses	BP	185.27				33078.89
07/09/2022	Lawn n Order	Inv 11837	BP	696.90	116.10			32381.99
07/09/2022	L Wainwright - planter	Exp Gard Group	BP	36.96				32345.03
08/09/2022	British Gas - Electricity	DD	DD	36.39				32308.64
15/09/2022	Bank charges	up to 24 Aug	DD	5.00				32303.64
09/09/2022	Lawn n Order	Inv 11858	BP	696.90	116.15			31606.74
09/09/2022	Autella Payroll Charges	RPC9855	BP	65.57				31541.17
26/09/2022	PK Littlejohn LLP	SB20221622	BP	240.00	40.00			31301.17
27/09/2022	Lawn n Order	Inv 11874	BP	696.90	116.15			30604.27
30/09/2022	NLC Grass cutting Payment 2	BP	BP	0.00				34770.27
05/10/2022	J Curtis	Salary/Expenses	BP	299.00				34471.27
05/10/2022	HMRC Sept	Sept Income tax	BP	69.00				34402.27
05/10/2022	Bank transfer	TRANS	BP	0.00			3000.00	34402.27
07/10/2022	Fillingham Christmas Trees	Invoice 3617	BP	156.00	26.00			34246.27
10/10/2022	British Gas - Electricity		DD	22.25				34224.02
07/10/2022	G Hawley expenses	Toolstation padlock	BP	13.48	2.25			34210.54
10/10/2022	Scunthorpe Instant Print Ltd	Christmas leaflets	BP	53.00				34157.54
16/10/2022	HSBC	bank charges	DR	5.00				34152.54
08/11/2022	Lawn n Order	Inv 11887	BP	696.90	116.15			33455.64
08/11/2022	JB Rural Services PROW cut 3rd cut	JB1526	BP	456.00	76.00			32999.64
09/11/2022	J Curtis TO PAY	Salary/Expenses	BP	299.00				32700.64
09/11/2022	HMRC Oct TO PAY	Oct Income tax	BP	69.00				32631.64
09/11/2022	J Curtis TO PAY	disbursements	BP	28.31	4.72			32603.33
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- ii. Precept – councillors agreed the precept should be kept at £12,500 for 2023-2024. **Resolved**
- iii. National Pay Award – Councillors agreed to the increase to the clerk’s salary from £11.50 to £12.50 per hour in accordance with the new LGA pay scales for clerks, with effect from 1 April 2022. They also agreed to pay the previous clerk any backpay owed from 1 April 2022 until 16 September 2022. The clerk would inform payroll. **Resolved**
- iv. Invoices presented at the meeting for payment:
- Reimburse Councillor Wainwright £44.38 for purchase of plants and compost from Linden Nurseries to replenish planters in the village.
 - Invoice 2210 for £280 from Neil Elder for repairing the benches in the Falconers. **Resolved**
- v. The clerk had ordered ink cartridges for Cllr Wainwright’s home printer, which she used for printing council papers - to be delivered to her home address.

Planning

To discuss and resolve any action on:

- i. PA/2022/951: Proposed Development Planning permission to vary condition to PA/2021/1110 namely to allow storage of smaller units, NOT YET DETERMINED
- ii. PA/2022/1294: Proposed Development planning permission for a temporary change of use for the storage of prefabricated units NOT YET DETERMINED
- iii. 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

Notification of when the 3 planning applications i. PA/2022/951, ii. PA/2022/1294 and iii. PA/2022/1282 would go before the planning committee had not been received. Councillors confirmed that anyone objecting to the planning applications should be informed when the planning committee would be considering the applications, giving members of the public the opportunity to speak at the meeting for up to 5 minutes about their concerns, before any decision could be made.

Cllr Wainwright had informed planning that the proposed variations to the above had been added to the wrong planning applications but NLC had failed to amend the planning applications to read correctly.

The original planning permission was for 60 units but many more are being stored in excess of the 60 units and on land which does not have permission for storage. The wide-loads of units had sometimes been arriving outside permitted hours, the cut-off time was 6pm, for example, in the previous week they were seen driving through Redbourne village at 7.30pm and 8.45pm.

The question was asked, if applicants were already blatantly breaching permitted planning conditions, why would they adhere to any variations to the permitted conditions.

It was suggested getting the press involved to raise public awareness. The clerk would contact Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph to invite a local correspondent to the December meeting.

Councillors discussed whether to respond to Mr Day’s written representation to the Members of Redbourne Parish Council read out at their extraordinary meeting on Thursday 4th August 2022. It was noted that the letter was on the NLC planning portal attached to the incorrect planning application PA/2022/1282 instead of PA/2022/1294.

Cllr P Stevenson would draft a letter in response, keeping it purely factual and email it to members for approval before sending it.

- ii. Other planning matters
 - It was questioned why PA/2022/1798 and PA/2022/1799 had been submitted to planning when clearly planning permission was not required.
 - It was **resolved** to minute that RPC had not received any replies to questions asked by Redbourne Parish Council on all the applications. Councillors felt that without the relevant information they were not in a position to carry out their duties as Parish Councillors.
 - PA/2022/1818 - Application for variation of conditions 1, 2, 3 and 4 on [PA/2021/1240](#) granted 11/02/2022 for the erection of six dwellings on Carr Lane, Redbourne.
After discussion, councillors asked the clerk to write to Anglian Water to highlight the lack of attention to the run-off of surface water from the B1206.

22/23 – 062 Community Safety Matters

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

- i. To discuss whether to buy another speed sign for the opposite side of the village?
Following on from discussions at 4 October meeting about the advantages of having a second speed sign. Ref. Item 22/23 51 iv. Councillors approved the purchase of a second speed sign for the opposite side of the road.
Action: The clerk would contact Elancity for a quote. She would also ask about how often the batteries needed changing and where to purchase them from. **Resolved**
- ii. Councillors discussed the lack of lighting in the churchyard. The lamp post on the main path wasn't working. They deemed it to be a safety issue. One of the lantern light fittings was broken and in the church office. Cllr P Hotham was meeting with Peter Clegg about the church clock and would mention the lack of lighting in the churchyard.

22/23 – 063 Community Facilities and Open Space Management

To discuss and resolve any action on:

- i. Play Area – nothing to report.
- ii. Christmas tree lighting – the tree was being delivered on 22 November in the morning. The company would let Cllr G Hawley know what time so that he can arrange to get it in situ. The items bought for 25 November came within the £200 budget. Any leftovers would be donated to a foodbank Village resident Mr F. was making some wooden ornaments for the Christmas tree. Hay bales were being sourced.
- iii. Where to place the Queen's tree and do we rename it after her death? The commemorative tree to be planted – the Gardening Group to decide location. A remembrance plaque in gratitude for the Queen's services and to celebrate her reign would be placed by the tree. RPC had obtained a grant from NLC for £150 to purchase the plaque.

- iv. Updates from the Gardening Group – The planters and boxes had been planted with winter bedding plants. Mr S Roberts to plant replacement bulbs obtained using the Merlin grant.
- v. Grass cutting tender for 2023 – The clerk would obtain quotes for early January.
- vi. In Bloom grant - After discussion, Cllr G Hawley offered to research water retaining products to install in the 14 planters and 10 small boxes
- vii. To discuss ownership of the old A15 land – Reference 22/23 – 53. The RPC would continue to ascertain who the land belongs to. In the meantime, the clerk was asked to 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.
- viii. Update on what's happening with the church clock: –
 - Cllr Phil Hotham had been in touch with John Ablott who had now retired. He gave Cllr Hotham a new contact, Dr Ed Swain, a specialist advisor of church clocks for the Diocese of Lincoln, who was happy to advise and do a site visit. He had also arranged to meet Peter Clegg from the Church Conservation Trust. Peter Clegg indicated the possibility of grant funding.
 - Cllr P Hotham had arranged to meet Sam Welton of Smiths of Derby, clock specialists to inspect the tower clock to provide a quote for repair or complete refurbishment. He would then look into the possibility of obtaining grant funding,
 - Cllr P Hotham had also been in touch with Fran Bell at the Diocese, who dealt with the changing use of churches for other purposes, to enquire whether St Andrews would qualify for change of use to become a church or community hall. Councillors stated their support for this venture.
- ix. Cllrs G and P Hawley confirmed they had received a letter from North Lincs Council, which had been sent to other homeowners, stating it was the homeowners' responsibility to maintain the beck to ensure the driveway culverts were clear and unobstructed. This fell within riparian ownership. It was difficult to get the householders to maintain the beck as a collective.
- x. The clerk had contacted Anglian Water and received a job number Redbourne 61399699. They had scheduled the work of clearing the culvert near the pumping for within a month.
- xi. Cllr Wainwright reported that many of the footpaths in the village were in a very poor state, High St, School Lane and Vicarage Lane were all breaking up. The clerk had reported the matter to NLC reference number FS464061298 linking it to the previous reference number FS353045880 dated 20 July 2021. The snicket was mentioned at this point. Cllr Foster would chase and report back to the next meeting.
- xii. Leaf clearing - Cllr G Hawley asked if RPC would consider hiring a skip this year when clearing the leaves because it would make it so much easier than bagging them up and taking them to the tip in his car.
Action: It was proposed that the clerk would check if NLC have a leaf clearing programme or if not, would they provide a skip to take away the leave to compost.
- xiii. Cllr P Hawley requested litter pickers, gloves and bags.

- xiv. Cllr Wainwright informed councillors she had asked Neil Elder to quote for repairing the Lincolnshire fencing behind the telephone box in the churchyard. The fencing was the responsibility of the Parochial Church Council, Scawby. However, Cllr Wainwright felt that if the RPC obtained a quote for the work, it could be presented to the PCC with an offer that RPC was willing to make a contribution towards the cost of repairs. Mr Elder had quoted £350 to repair the fence. It was difficult finding suppliers of Lincolnshire fencing but there was a possible supplier at Market Rasen. However, considering the condition of the fence, it might need to be replaced entirely but he would continue to look for other options. Councillors agreed with the proposal to Seek quotes for renewal of the fencing.
- xv. Other community facilities and open space management: –
 - Cllr Wainwright proposed asking NLC to conduct a feasibility study to install solar panels on the NLC owned land on the airfield. The clerk had previously been asked to contact Cllr Clive Wilson of Bigby Parish Council who was leading on a sustainable energy project in his parish. He would be happy to attend an RPC meeting to talk to councillors about their progress to date and the obstacles they have had to face. It was suggested inviting him to a meeting in the new year.
 - Cllr Wainwright read out an extract from Merlin Renewables’ planning application to install an Anaerobic Digestion plant that there were stipulations made by North Lincs Planning that it should be shielded by building earth bunds and planted with wild flowers and shrubs to create a screen to break up its impact on surrounding neighbours. Cllr Wainwright pointed out it is now 10 years on. She had spoken to Future Biogas last year about the screening. Despite accepting that landscaping had failed, little progress had been made to date. North Lincs Planning need to get in touch with Future Biogas to point out their obligations to fulfil the conditions set out in the planning approval.

22/23 – 064 Clerk & Councillor Updates

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

- Councillors agreed to changing the payroll company who process the clerk’s salary from Autela to Voluntary Action North Lincs. The clerk would inform Autela and VANL to make the arrangements.

22/23 – 065 Date and time of the next meeting

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Monday, 5 December at 7.00pm. Meeting closed at 9.45pm.