

Kirkby La Thorpe Parish Council

Notes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at Kirkby La Thorpe School, Church Lane, Kirkby La Thorpe, on Thursday 13th November 2014 at 7.45pm

Before the meeting, Katie Bartle attended to update on the School; David Fisher (Eco2) and attended to update on progress at the Renewable Energy Plant and Malcolm McAllister attended to discuss concepts in which the Thorpe and Asgarby Estate could work with the community.

School: Mr Drayton had sent his apologies. Mr McAllister had received an email from Phil Sharpe about the proposed car parking and drop-off point project. Ms Bartle explained that the school was very conscious of the issues around school traffic and was hoping to submit an application for capital funding to EFA (Educational Funding Agency) towards the cost of the project alongside an application to the Eco2 Community Liaison Panel. A feasibility study was being commissioned which if viability was proven would lead to a full application to EFA. Planning permission would also be required. If the project involved the purchase of land, the Secretary of State's permission would be required but this would not be necessary if the land was donated. Mr McAllister outlined a couple of possible solutions and agreed to ask the Estate for its support

RH explained the procedures for the Eco2 funding.

Mr McAllister and Ms Bartle left the meeting.

Eco2: Mr Fisher brought apologies from Andrew Wright and Darren Smith. He confirmed that the plant had been operational since 12th September working at full capacity except for one weekend when Western Power required an outage for 2 days and the Plant took the opportunity to carry out some other works. The plant will undergo its performance tests (to ensure it can maintain high capacity) over the next month and then will have 6 months of availability testing to ensure a consistent supply across all 48 1/2hr slots each day. The plant's guaranteed capacity of 38 megawatts was estimated to be sufficient for 50-60,000 dwellings. One more planning application would be submitted in the New Year, for permanent office accommodation, the sculpture should be in place this month and schools visits were already being arranged. Mr Fisher and colleagues had attended a local school's career event. Mr Fisher explained that his role was now based back in Cardiff and Darren Smith would attend future meetings to update the Parish Council.

RH asked about open invitations for members of the public and Mr Fisher agreed to suggest some dates, Clerk to co-ordinate bookings for visits (max 20 people per trip).

The Official Opening was scheduled for 28th November and all Parish Councillors had received invitations.

Mr Fisher left the meeting.

Present: Cllrs Hipworth (in the Chair), Monteith and Yates, Mrs D Scott (Clerk) and one member of the Public

71/14. Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr Johnson, Cllr David Dickinson (NKDC)

72/14. Declaration of Interest and Applications for Dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 – None

73/14 Membership – The Clerk confirmed that Resignations had been received from Cllrs Main and Rossiter and the vacancies duly advertised on 4th November. NKDC would advise whether an election had been requested and if not co-option to fill the vacancies would be possible at the next meeting. It was noted that in the event of a further resignation being received, because it was now less than six months to the election, it would be possible to go straight to co-option.

74/14 The notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th September 2014 were approved as minutes, proposed by Cllr Yates, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously


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The notes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on 14th October 2014 were approved as minutes, proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Yates and agreed unanimously

75/14. Financial Report

- i. It was noted that the bank balances stood as follows: Lloyds Current Account £685.77 (including VAT refund received 23rd October), Lloyds Savings Account £12,505.05, inc £1.08 interest (Oct & Nov) since the last meeting. The Clerk distributed copies of the accounts to date.
- ii. The following payments were due to be made: KLT Primary Academy School Hall Hire £21, Clerk £202.43 inc expenses/reimbursement, HMRC £46.80 (due 19/11/14), Rick Webster grass cutting £266.40, Playsafety ROSPA Play Area Inspection £78 and the £62.50 standing order for Enviro-Tec was due 25/12/14.
It was proposed by Cllr Monteith, seconded by Cllr Hipworth and agreed unanimously, that the above report be accepted and the payments be made along with the necessary transfer from the savings account.
- iii. Budget 2015-16 Mrs Scott reported that the information about next year's precept calculation had not yet been received. Full information from NKDC and estimated expenditure to be considered at January meeting


76/14. Clerk's Report and Correspondence received

- i. Rightdrive – free Highway Code Training - noted
- ii. NKDC – advance warning of Election Costs 2015 - noted
- iii. LCC Road Closure at Mount Lane Level Crossing overnight 6th December - noted
- iv. EBLO – National Citizenship Scheme- various – Mrs Scott explained that despite considerable effort in the arrangements the project had been cancelled due to their H&S concerns, notably lack of toilet facilities and shelter in event of bad weather.
- v. KLT CoE Primary Academy – invitation to Harvest Assembly – Cllr Hipworth had attended.
- vi. NKDC Democratic Services – further information about Individual Electoral Registration - noted
- vii. NKDC Electoral Services – Register of Electors - Request form – circulated and signed
- viii. Heckington Area Voluntary Car Service – AGM invite - noted
- ix. NKDC Tourism – Leisure Guide 2015 - noted
- x. Clerk and Councils Direct - noted
- xi. NKDC s106 Monitoring Officer – call for information – noted that no known s106 agreements outstanding
- xii. Lincoln Dial-a-ride re extension to service and call for volunteer drivers - noted
- xiii. Glennmont Partners – individual invitations to the Opening of Eco2 on 28th November.- as discussed earlier
- xiv. KLT CoE Primary Academy – October Newsletter – noted and circulated

77/14. Play Areas

- i. ROSPA Inspection – Mrs Scott reported that the work outstanding was cleaning (by power washing) of the swings wetpour and repairing the tarmac trip hazard by the pedestrian gate. She was asked to get a quote from Mr Walker for this work, for the next meeting
- ii. Other Areas, future projects – Mrs Scott reported on a quote from Wicksteed and was asked to chase a second quote for comparison.

78/14. Highways Matters

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- i. Boston Road potholes - it was noted that temporary repairs had been carried out on the trench near the junction with A17 westbound slipway, but had already failed and been reported via LCC potholes.
- ii. Boston Road Path. Work was well underway, including linking the power station to Eslaforde Park, and was hoped to be completed before the official opening.
- iii. SID – Community Speed Watch. The Clerk reported that Leasingham Parish Council Clerk had confirmed the Parish Council's consent to working together. The Clerk would be following this up, each Council applying for its own site surveys, and confirming an agreement to reimburse half of the costs with a 'rota' of dates to ensure a 50:50 share of usage

79/14. Planning Matters

- i. 14/0924/HOUS 2 Centurion Close NG34 7PH Proposed two storey side extension and conversion of garage – noted approved by NKDC 17th September 2014
- ii. 14/1066/HOUS 21 Church Lane NG34 9NU Erection of new boundary wall - noted refused by NKDC 23rd September 2014. It was also noted that a further application had been made 14/1437/LPDPRO, showing a wall with reduced height of 1metre. Informally Councillors had no objection to the new application.
- iii. 14/1227/FUL La Fitou Mount Lane NG34 9NR Erection of Stable Barn - noted pending decision (informal comment submitted)
- iv. 14/1237/FUL Grange Farm Church Lane NG34 9NU Proposed change of use and alterations to existing barns and erection of garage/stores to form four dwellings - noted pending consideration (formal comment submitted following KLT Planning Meeting)
- v. 14/1305/HOUS Honeysuckle Lodge 73 Church Lane NG34 9NU Removal of existing conservatory & erection of sun lounge, provision of accommodation in roof space including balcony – After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Yates and agreed unanimously, that the Parish Council had no objection in principle to the application but noted that it was not clear whether there would be any adverse impact on existing or proposed neighbouring properties
- vi. 14/1347/HOUS 44 Milton Way NG34 7GE Erection of replacement conservatory to rear elevation – After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that the Parish Council had no objection to the application.

80/14 Central Lincolnshire Preliminary Draft Local Plan. The Clerk explained recent discussions amongst Parish Clerks about the consultation process and the plan. It was noted that the closing date had been 11th November and no extension had been permitted. After consulting with Cllr Hipworth, the Clerk had submitted an informal response echoing the comments of Brant Broughton and Stragglethorpe Parish Council, ie that the removal of curtilages (named settlement boundaries in the plan) was not welcomed and that the general language and layout of the plan was not helpful.

81/14. Eco2 Community Fund

- a. Update on progress of any KLT projects – as per discussion above, it was noted that the school application was progressing. It was understood that the Church was still keen to apply
- b. Update on Public Art installation, official Opening Event – as above, opening on 28th November, with sculpture installed prior.

82/14. Website – noted

83/14 Bus Shelter – it was noted that the Bus Shelter had been removed by Highways contractors, following the recent fire, but the verge not reinstated nor the bin removed. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously that the Clerk ask for quotes for bin removal.

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84/14. Defibrillator – The Clerk explained that other Parishes had found that there were more issues than expected with installing and managing community defibrillators. It was generally felt that it would be more efficient to support local First Responders.

85/14. Grass verge cutting – as per last meeting, Clerk to obtain details of contract, identifying areas, from LCC and get quotes for next meeting

86/14. Solar Farm opportunities – It was noted that the Parish Council needed to be alert to potential opportunities

87/14. Matters for the next meeting

Budget/Precept – including costs for Elections, Play Area equipment (parallel bars) and highways grass cutting.

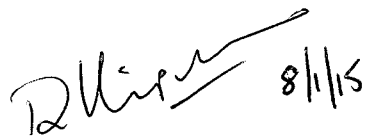
Bin removal

88/14. Dates of Next Meetings: 8th January 2015, 12th March, 14th May, all at 7 pm

89/14 It was proposed by Cllr Yates, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously to move into Closed Session under the Public Bodies Act 1960.

90/14. Review of Clerk's Contract. Mrs Scott drew Councillors attention to her record of hours worked over the last 22 months. Additional hours were attributable partly to work on the Community Liaison Panel and the Play Area inspections. The review was deferred.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

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