

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 8th January 2015 at 7.15pm

Before the meeting, Mr Drayton attended to update on the School; David Fisher (Eco2) Andrew Wright and Darren Smith and attended to update on progress at the Renewable Energy Plant.

School: Mr Drayton explained that following the last meeting and Mr McAllister's proposal regarding the land, the school had been unable to progress its bid to EFA in time to meet the deadline. An alternative bid for a replacement classroom had been submitted. The school was still keen to pursue the plan for drop off points etc and would be contacting the Estate again regarding the purchase of land.

Eco2: Mr Fisher and Mr Wright introduced Darren Smith. They confirmed that the plant had been operational but not up to 100% capacity recently due to minor issues causing output to be around 34-35 megawatts instead of 38. The District Heating System was now operational with automatic switching at SLC, Wm Alvey School and NKDC. The Indoor Bowls Club had chosen to work on manual switching. They reported that recent downward changes to oil prices should not affect the plant's viability because of the 20 year power purchasing contract. It was agreed that visits to the plant would be postponed until the lighter evenings and the Clerk would suggest some alternative dates in April.

Mr Fisher, Mr Wright and Mr Smith left the meeting.

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

1/15. Apologies for Absence - none

2/15. Declaration of Interest and Applications for Dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 – None

3/15 Co-option – The Clerk confirmed that there had been no call for an election so the Council was able to Co-opt. No candidates had so far been identified and it was felt that it was best to wait until the May Elections, unless anyone came forward voluntarily.

4/15 The notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th November 2014 were approved as minutes, proposed by Cllr Monteith, seconded by Cllr Yates and agreed unanimously

The notes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on 18th December 2014 were approved as minutes, proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously

5/15. Financial Report

i. It was noted that the bank balances stood as follows: Lloyds Current Account £8.64, Lloyds Savings Account £12,505.55, inc 50p interest (Dec) 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 £247.37 inc national pay increase and pro rata consolidated award, and expenses/reimbursement (inc Community Speed Watch agreement fee), HMRC £49.60 (due 19/1/15), Rick Webster grass cutting £133.20.

It was proposed by Cllr Monteith, seconded by Cllr Johnson 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 circulated copies of the projected spend for the current year and a proposal for the Budget for 2015-16 as discussed at the previous meeting. She also explained the information received from NKDC about the 2015/16 tax base, increased from 377.27 to 381.25, and the support grant offered by NKDC, reduced from £500.21 to £323.59 After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously that a budget income of £7000 be set, which would mean a precept

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of £6676.41 being an increase of 1.65% for the Band D equivalent Council Tax in the Parish from £17.23 to £17.51, to Maintain the same level of income as 2013/14. Clerk to submit the necessary forms to NKDC.

6/15. Clerk's Report and Correspondence received

- i. Lincolnshire Police – restorative justice - noted
- ii. Sleaford & District CAB – request for support – after discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that a donation of £50 be made and the cheque was authorised
- iii. Central Lincs Local Plan – aligning with Neighbourhood Plans - noted
- iv. NKDC proposed Council Tax Support Scheme - noted
- v. Heckington Area Voluntary Car Service – request for support – after discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Hipworth and agreed unanimously that a donation of £20 be made and the cheque was authorised
- vi. LALC newsletter - noted
- vii. LCC Switch – closing date 2nd February 2015 - noted
- viii. NKDC – collection of information about legal highs – noted
- ix. LCC – consultation on the Minerals and Waste Local Plan – noted. A question was asked regarding fracking, further investigation required. Post meeting note – pages 37 onwards refer to unconventional oil and gas extraction (ie hydraulic fracturing, aka 'fracking')
- x. Clerks and Councils Direct - noted

7/15 Play Areas

- i. Moles – The Clerk reported that EnviroTec had dealt with mole activity before Christmas but more had been spotted at the latest inspection and reported. EnviroTec would be attending again.
- ii. Other Areas, future projects – see below

8/15. Highways Matters

- i. Boston Road potholes - it was noted that further repairs had been carried out on the trench near the junction with A17 westbound slipway.
- ii. Boston Road Path. The path was now open for use and an official opening was being considered for the spring in conjunction with the Sustrans school cycling officer.
- iii. SID – Community Speed Watch. The Clerk reported that she had drafted a plan and shared it with Leasingham PC for their next meeting 12th January and in the meantime she had submitted the Site Survey request to LRSP for the 5 locations within the Parish, being a mixture of lamppost brackets and NAC sockets depending on particular sites.

9/15. Planning Matters

- i. 14/1227/FUL La Fitou Mount Lane NG34 9NR Erection of Stable Barn – noted approved by NKDC 17th November 2014
- ii. 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 - to noted pending consideration (formal comment submitted) and amended plans submitted (any further comments by 21st January) – no further comments.
- iii. 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 – noted approved by NKDC 8th December 2014
- iv. 14/1347/HOUS 44 Milton Way NG34 7GE Erection of replacement conservatory to rear elevation – noted approved by NKDC 10th December 2014



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- v. 14/1437/LDPRO 21 Church Lane NG34 9NU Erection of front boundary wall (maximum 1m high) – noted certificate of lawful use or development approved by NKDC 23rd December 2014
- vi. 14/1440/FUL Land Adjacent to Orchard House 4 Church Lane NG34 9NU Erection of detached dwelling with integral garage – noted approved by NKDC 23rd December 2014
- vii. 14/1480/VARCON Lakeview (Formally Sleaford Ballast Pits) Mareham Application to remove condition 4 to allow for the permitted mobile home development to be used for 365 day residential use attached to planning permission 02/1147/FUL - Lane - noted formal comment submitted as per meeting on 18th December
- viii. 14/1685/HOUS 5 Burns Crescent, NG34 7GD Erection of car port. – this had been received too late for formal inclusion on the agenda but it was informally agreed that Councillors had no objection to this application.

10/15 Eco2 Community Fund - Update on progress of any KLT projects - as per discussion above, it was noted that the school application had been delayed but was progressing. There was no update on the Church proposal.

11/15 Grass verge cutting – the Clerk reported on information from LCC regarding the Amenity Grass Cutting. It was noted that this contract did not cover the verges between the A17 sliproad and Sleaford, along the bridge ramparts nor on the flyover itself. The Clerk had asked for further information on these areas.

12/15. Matters for the next meeting – Grass cutting – existing and additional contracts.

13/15. Dates of Next Meetings: 12th March, 14th May, all at 7 pm


14/15. It was proposed by Cllr Yates, seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed unanimously to move into Closed Session under the Public Bodies Act 1960.
Mr Drayton left the meeting

15/15. To consider quotes for bin removal at lay-by – It was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed unanimously that the quote from Smith Construction of £250 to remove the bin be accepted

16/15. To consider quotes for parallel bars at Play Area – The Clerk explained the 3 quotes received and after discussion it was agreed that further information be requested from two contractors, for decision at the next meeting

17/15. To consider quotes for minor works at Play Area, tarmac repair and wetpour cleaning. It was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed unanimously, that the quote from Mr Walker of around £100 to repair the tarmac and clean the swings wetpour be accepted and the Clerk authorised to release payment if necessary before the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm.


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