

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 12th May 2016 at 7.25 pm

Present: Cllrs Johnson, White, Parker, Monteith, Yates and Bridgen, Mrs D Scott (Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

No matters were raised in the Public session

29/16. Election of Chairman.

Cllr Johnson explained that Cllr Hipworth did not wish to stand for election as Chairman, similarly Cllr Johnson declined a nomination. It was proposed by Cllr Monteith, seconded by Cllr Johnson and agreed unanimously that Cllr White be elected Chairman.

Cllr White took the Chair and arranged to sign the necessary paperwork.

It was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Bridgen and agreed unanimously, that Cllr Johnson be elected Vice-Chairman.

30/16 Apologies for Absence – Cllr Hipworth, Cllr Julia Harrison (NKDC),

31/16 Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 – None

32/16 Minutes of the meeting held on 10th March 2016 – it was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that these were agreed and they were duly signed.

33/16 General Power of Competence. It was noted that the Parish Council was not eligible, not having sufficient elected Councillors.

34/16 (item 15 brought forward) Sleaford and Kirkby Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Johnson explained that he and the Clerk had attended a meeting at STC offices to draft an agreement between the two councils to work on the joint Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Council moved briefly out of formal session to allow Cllr Coyne (STC) to speak. He explained that STC was adopting a new constitution without committees so the Working Group would now report back directly to both Councils on its progress towards setting up the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. A place for a second KLT Cllr had been agreed. STC would be the lead Council and admin support would be provided by the Assistant Clerk, Mrs Waddingham.

Back in formal session, it was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr White and agreed unanimously, that

- Cllr Parker be appointed the second KLT PC representative
- The draft terms of agreement for the Working Group be accepted
- Mrs Scott be authorised to sign the agreement on behalf of the Parish Council

It was noted that a joint press release would be issued the following week to coincide with DCLG's national campaign, after a meeting of the Working Group on 16th May (Cllr Coyne left the meeting at 7.50 pm)

35/16 Operational Procedures - Mrs Scott shared the PC's Procedures Statement which had been prepared in response to the 2015 External Auditor's Report


36/16 Annual Finance

- i. Internal Auditor's Report – Mrs Gascoyne had reported that the books were in order.
- ii. Statement of Parish Council Governance for the year ending 31st March 2016, for submission to the External Auditor – It was proposed by Cllr Monteith, seconded by Cllr Parker and agreed unanimously, that the Governance Report be agreed and signed.
- iii. Statement of Parish Council Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2016, for submission to the External Auditor – it was proposed by Cllr Bridgen, seconded by Cllr Yates and agreed unanimously, that the Accounts statement be agreed and signed.

37/16 Financial Report

- i. The Clerk circulated copies of the cash book to date. It was noted that current balances, including receipt of precept and support grant, were D/A £18375.18, C/A £73.03.
- ii. Payments due KLT Primary Academy School Hall Hire £21, Clerk salary plus expenses/reimbursement £225.69, HMRC PAYE £47.80 (due 19/6/16), Rick Webster

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Grounds Maintenance grass cutting £133.20, Unipart Dorman £1572.00 (KLT share of CSW SID). A further standing order for £62.50 would be due on 25th June, for the mole contract.

It was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr White and agreed unanimously, that the above payments and an additional payment for Rick Webster (invoice for April tbc) be approved and the necessary transfer made.

It was noted that bank signatories should be reviewed at the next meeting

38/16 Insurance. The Clerk reported that an alternative quote had been received from Hiscox, via Came & Co. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Bridgen, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that the renewal quote from Community Lincs (Zurich) be accepted and the payment of £217.2 be authorised.

39/16. Clerk's Report and Correspondence received

- i. LCC Budget process and Streetlighting proposals - noted
- ii. Online petition re appealing planning permissions – already circulated - noted
- iii. NKDC – reminder information re vacancies and new Councillors - noted
- iv. NKDC/Dogs Trust – microchipping - noted
- v. NKDC re new house name Kirkby Manor, 75 Church Lane - noted
- vi. The Pensions Regulator - further information - noted
- vii. NKDC re trial of alternative means of consulting with Parish Councils re Planning applications – noted
- viii. SLCC /NALC re transparency fund – noted
- ix. NKDC – list of achievements 2015-16 – noted
- x. Road Closure, Mount Lane level crossing June – noted
- xi. Clerks and Councils Direct - noted

40/16. Play Areas

- i. Moles – no activity to date.
- ii. Dog Poo – the Clerk reported that the offending animal had been identified and the problem greatly reduced
- iii. Future Projects – none at this time.

41/16. Highways Matters

- i. SID – Community Speed Watch. The Clerk reported that Leasingham Parish Council had agreed the appointment of Mr Rodger to look after the SID. He would start once the SID was delivered. The order had been confirmed with Unipart Dorman and on receipt of payment, the company would inform us of the delivery date (possibly 5-6 weeks). Highways had been unable to confirm the installation date of the posts required at 2 locations, but the other three approved lamppost locations could be used in the first instance.
- ii. Speeding on Mount Lane – The Clerk had received a complaint about the excessive speeds of the agricultural vehicles, especially the large tractor/trailer combinations, on Mount Lane. She had advised that one of the SID locations was on Mount Lane ramp, but the problem could be that even 30 mph was too fast for safety. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Mr Dean, the contractor, and the Thorpe and Asgarby Estates, the landowners, with the concerns.
- iii. Overturned Lorry – it was noted that the Armco safety fencing had at last been replaced, but the question about whether it was now considered a safe route had not been answered. It was understood that the incident was still being investigated. Cllrs were disappointed that no action had apparently been taken against the driver and/or operator of the vehicle involved. The Clerk was asked to re-send the question to all parties and ask for tracking records dating back to the February s106 meeting.
- iv. Holdingham Biogas Anaerobic Digester traffic – no update

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42/16. Planning Matters

- i. 16/0210/LBC Mount Lane Farm House Mount Lane NG34 9NR Replacement front door and two sash windows. – approved by NKDC 20th April - noted
- ii. 16/0309/HOUS 35 Russell Crescent NG34 7JF Erection of single storey rear extension – previously circulated – no comment
- iii. 16/0324/VARCON Bass Maltings Mareham Lane, Sleaford – to remove condition 2 of 09/2294/LBC – previously circulated – it was noted that this consultation period had ended and no comments from Cllrs had been received.
- iv. 16/0331/VARCON Land of Boston Road, west of junction of Mount Lane and Boston Road – to vary condition 18 (Easter and Saturday deliveries) – after discussion it was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously that the reply be sent objecting strongly to the proposal to allow deliveries for a full day on Easter Saturday, feeling that this should be unnecessary given proper planning and logistics management
- v. 16/0413/FUL Bones Farm, Mount Lane – erection of potato store – after discussion it was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that severe concern be expressed about the increase in traffic and size of vehicles on Mount lane for deliveries in and out of the site

43/16 Central Lincolnshire Local Plan

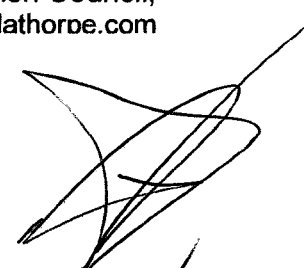
The Clerk had attended the briefing session at NKDC and one of the Public Consultation events on the submission document.

44/16 Eco2 Sleaford Renewable Energy Plant.

- i. Matters from Public Forum – Councillors were again disappointed that no representative from REP had attended. It was agreed that the Clerk contact Glennmont for advice, as before.
- ii. Community Fund - Update on progress of any KLT projects. The Clerk reported on the decisions of the last meeting, when the applications from the Bowls Club, Sleaford Sports Association had been turned down. Sleaford Striders and the Maltsters Archers, also based at Esclaforde Park had received funds from the KLT Pot. The joint Academy/Parish Council project had been turned down, partly because of information supplied by SustainNK which was thought to be erroneous. The Clerk advised that she wasn't aware of any appeals procedure but was asked to contact the panel challenging the decision, which was based on the misleading information supplied by a third party. It was noted that the Clerk had sought VAT advice on the installation and operation and HMRC had sent the necessary information. She had also registered the Parish Council with DUNS and the Contract Finder website in preparation. It was noted that the Church application had been deferred for further details of quotes etc.
- iii. Community Liaison Panel. The Clerk explained that she had received a letter from Cllr Richard Wright (NKDC – Sustainability) asking that in view of the imminent end of the panel's life, that the Parish Council consider re-appointing its existing representative, for consistency. After discussion it was agreed that provided the original agreement didn't specify the Chairman to be the representative, this would be agreed. *PC. Minute*
- iv. Arrangements for community visit(s) to Sleaford REP – Paul Taylor had now supplied dates and these had been agreed for 17th May and 20th September. Bookings were already being taken. It had been agreed that in future the 3rd Tuesday of each month would be set aside for community visits, subject to operational commitments. Cllr White offered to help arrange for flyer deliveries in the Village.

45/16 Inconsiderate Parking

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The Clerk had collated and circulated the responses from the recent survey of residents. It was agreed that she should draft a further survey, for the parents/carers, for distribution through the school. It was felt that the two sets of results should provide a body of evidence to put to Highways and the Police in support of a solution. Further discussion as deferred until the next meeting

46/16 Matters for the next meeting – parking survey, bank signatories.

47/16 Dates of Next Meetings: 14th July, 8th September, 10th November, 12th January 2017, 9th March, 11th May (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting), at 7 pm

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.

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