

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 10th November 2016 at 7.45 pm

Present: Cllrs White, Parker, Monteith, Hipworth, Bridgen Johnson and Yates, Mrs D Scott (Clerk).

Prior to the meeting the Chairman welcomed Matthew Igoe from Eco2 to update the Council on the REP.

Cllrs asked about the investigations into the overturned lorry incident. MI said that he wasn't aware of all the detail but he and Andrew Toft had met with Cllr Wright NKDC about the s106 compliance. MI agreed to ask AT for an update.

Visits to the Plant had gone down very well. The Clerk said she was still holding a waiting list and it was hoped that more opportunities would happen in the New Year.

Cllrs asked about the plant's road sweeping regime. MI said that the Plant had equipment to sweep internal roads but, for the public highway, contractors would normally be hired. He explained that there was no policy as such or regular schedule of cleaning. He pointed out that mud from the fields was a bigger problem and that farmers were required to clean up after themselves but often didn't. It was noted that this was rarely enforced. AP reminded the meeting that blocked gullies were a problem across the parish and the loose straw was a key cause of the blockages.

MI reported that the plant was currently looking at Christmas deliveries to avoid any stoppages caused by lack of straw and details would be released as soon as possible.

PW said that the Parish Council was keen to maintain a relationship with REP - DS to share MI's contact details with Councillors.

MI confirmed that the Plant was running as planned, with emissions well within limits. Staff had now moved into the new offices and the old cabins and fencing were due for removal. Routine scheduled maintenance had taken place in September

In discussion about the straw delivery traffic, MI was unable to confirm historic details but he reiterated that not all loads of straw moving around in the vicinity were associated with the plant, indeed none of the tractor-led loads were at all. AP had asked repeatedly for better data from the lorry tracking systems to get a true picture.

(MI left at 7.34 pm)

AP asked that the Clerk contact the Enforcement Officer for feedback from Eco2.

91/16 Apologies for Absence – Cllr Julia Harrison (NKDC) and Cllr Barry Young (LCC)

92/16 Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation under the Localism Act 2011 – None

93/16 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2016:

It was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that, subject to removing Cllrs Yates and Bridgen and adding Cllr Johnson to the list of those present, and adding Cllr Yates to the list of Apologies, the minutes be approved and signed.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st September 2016:

It was proposed by Cllr Hipworth, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that the minutes be approved and signed.

94/16 Financial Report

The Clerk circulated copies of the transactions to date. It was noted that the balances currently stood at £13,813.92 D/A, £796.46 C/A, including VAT refund received of £700.72.

Payments due were KLT Primary School £21 (Hall hire), D Scott £629.69, (salary £489.01 including back pay and additional hours agreed at the last meeting) and reimbursements

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including web hosting and domain name fee £111.34 +VAT, HMRC £122.40 (PAYE month 8), Leasingham and Roxholm Parish Council £62.40 (share of SID operative cost), Rick Wester Grounds Maintenance (approved in advance of invoice received) and EnvironTec Standing order of £62.50 Mole contract due 25 December 2016.

In addition, the Clerk explained that a further 12.25 hrs had been worked in September, for approval for payment in January.

It was proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously that the above report be accepted, payments made and any necessary transfers arranged.

External Audit 2015-16 – The Clerk reported that the completed unqualified External Audit report had been received and duly advertised

2017-18 Budget – It was noted that no information had been received from NKDC yet regarding any grants available to support the precept in 2017-18. NKDC would require Precept forms to be returned by the end of January. The Clerk pointed out that there was currently no cap on Parish Council precepts. Budget and precept to be agreed at the next meeting.

Transparency Grant – It was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Hipworth and agreed unanimously that the Clerk would submit an application to LALC for a grant for a new laptop and printer and towards website costs.

95/16 Clerk's Report and Correspondence

- i. LCC – preparing for winter - course for vulnerable residents - noted
- ii. DCLG Consultation re precept capping – previously discussed
- iii. PCC – Safer Together – Outline Police and Crime Plan - noted
- iv. BCE- proposed boundary changes – It was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Monteith and agreed unanimously, that the Clerk submit a response explaining that the Parish Council felt no affinity with Boston and Skegness and asked to remain in the Sleaford constituency.
- v. NKDC – proposed Council Tax Support Scheme 2017-18 - noted
- vi. LALC – Safeguarding in the Community – The Clerk had attended in another capacity.
- vii. HAVCS – AGM 16th November 7pm Heckington - noted
- viii. LCC – communications with parishes - noted
- ix. NHS – Over the Counter Medicines Management - noted
- x. Post Office – decision on local services – Clerk to add details to the KLT website
- xi. Clerks & Councils Direct - noted
- xii. Veterans' Bereavement Support Services – Veterans' Funerals - noted
- xiii. LCC Minerals and Waste Plan consultation see www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste - noted
- xiv. Groundwork – noted
- xv. LCC Schools Admissions Policies consultation – noted

96/16 Eco2 Sleaford Renewable Energy Plant

- i. CLP meeting 4th October 2016 – It was noted that the PC/School application had been rejected again.
- ii. Church project – no update
- iii. Broadband for the village project application and agree submission – Cllr White reported that Mr Kirman was expecting to have costings from BT on 14 November and would be in touch with the Clerk regarding the community group and its application. Clerk to ask for confirmation of deadline for next round of applications.

(Cllr Johnson left the meeting briefly at 8.20 pm)

(Cllr Bridgen left the meeting at 8.25 pm)

- iv. Community visits - noted that it was hoped to arrange more in 2017
- v. Tracking data and enforcement of s106 conditions, and agree actions – see below
- vi. Incident Report re overturned lorry – see below

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vii. Road sweeping policy – see below

As per the discussion earlier it was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Hipworth and agreed that the Clerk would

- formally write to Eco2 asking that they sweep the roads on a monthly basis.
- contact the Enforcement Officer for feedback from Eco2
- ask for more detailed tracking data, particularly in respect of the overturned lorry incident.

97/16 Highways issues

- i. Extension to 30mph limits
- ii. Mud on Roads – enforcement of cleaning conditions on agricultural contractors
- iii. School Traffic – including results of Parents/Carers survey shared by email.

It was agreed that a Working Group comprising Cllrs White, Parker and Johnson look at the above and report back to the next meeting. In respect of the school traffic, Cllrs asked that Mr Bailey be invited to join the group with a view to trialling passing places to ease congestion and enhance safety.

- iv. Speeding - SID - The Clerk reported that she had received several adverse comments about the locations used so far and it was agreed that the locations should be reviewed before the second round of deployment

98/16 Planning

- i. 16/0804/HOUS Waggoners Lodge Mount Lane Farm Mount Lane, Erection of single storey front noted granted by NKDC 19th September
- ii. 14/1480/VARCON Lakeview, Mareham Lane – noted appeal submitted – see <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk> ref APP/R2520/W/16/3155867

(Cllr Johnson left the meeting at 8.50 pm)

99/16 Neighbourhood Plan Sleaford and Kirkby La Thorpe – no update

100/16 Play Area

- i. To consider any further works – it was noted that the working group had cut back the hedge by the gate and would remove clippings shortly. It was suggested that the grass cutting contract should include twice-yearly hedge clipping – Clerk to ask
- ii. To receive update on NKDC Open Spaces Strategy – Cllr Johnson had reported that he had submitted KLT data and NKDC were correlating the results.

101/16 Emergency Plan – deferred to next meeting

102/16 Matters for the next meeting.

It was noted that the PC might need an additional meeting to consider the PC's support for the Broadband project in view of costings received – a provisional date of 15th December was agreed, if necessary.

103/16 Dates of Next Meetings: 12th January 2017, 9th March, 11th May (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting), at 7 pm

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.



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