

Winteringham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 7th September 2021 at 7.15pm at Winteringham Village Hall, Frost Close, Winteringham

Present

Cllr Malcolm Blackburn (Chairman)
Cllr Lesley Fowler

Cllr Ian Dowson Cllr Debbie Fagan
Cllr Gaynor Snell

Ward Cllr Ralph Ogg

2 members of the public

Public Participation

Resident enquired as to what the intended works were on Hewde Lane scheduled for w/c 13th September 2021 and for approximately 10 days. There is conjecture that the localised flooding here over a long time is being caused by a spring. The NLC works are looking to divert the spring which will ensure that the road does not ice over in the winter. There is also a blockage in the drain which is aggravating the issue.

070921/1 Apologies

Cllr Adams, Cllr Hutchinson, Ward Cllr Elaine Marper and Ward Cllr Helen Rowson.

070921/2 Declarations of Interest

- a) No declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items.
- b) No dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items.

070921/3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 17th August 2021 were approved by members and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Fagan.

070921/4 Reports from Ward Councillor(s)

Ward Councillors to update the Parish Council on activities within North Lincolnshire Council:

- Cllr Ogg advised that there is still funding for a defibrillator, and he will forward the relevant link to the Clerk.
- NLC Road Scheme - £400,000 has been committed to road improvement works in Winteringham at Ermine Street, Silver Street and Sluice Road. Composition Corner is being monitored.
- Cllr's agreed that Marsh Lane, Low Burgage and Waterside need finishing too.
- Cllr Adams advised (via email) that the bridge over the drainage ditch on the footpath behind the church is very dangerous when wet and would benefit from something anti-slip being applied. Low branches are also impeding access. Cllr Ogg will report.

070921/5 Highways/Footpaths

Notification of issues and action resolved:

- a) Road surfaces and footpaths – hedge on Cliffe Road bulges out and is difficult to get past. It needs to be cut in line with the boundary of the footpath. Behind the pumps the flags have lifted which is dangerous. Drain surround at the top of Marsh Lane is disintegrating.

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- b) Playing Field and AWS pitch report – none.
- c) Any other issues – Cllr Adams advised that pushchair/wheelchair users of Cliff Road footpath are being hampered by a protruding hedge.

070921/6 Police Matters/Crime/Neighbourhood Watch

It was noted that there had been 2 harassments, 2 assaults and 1 criminal damage recently.

070921/7 Planning

- a) No applications made to North Lincolnshire Council.
- b) No decisions made by North Lincolnshire Council.
- c) No planning applications received after the agenda had been posted.
- d) It was noted that NLC have released their 5 year plan for housing supply (2021-2026) and there is nothing earmarked for Winteringham.

070921/8 Policies & Procedures

Action resolved:

- a) Policies review – Clerk to update and produce over the forthcoming months.
- b) Risk assessments review – Clerk to update and produce over the forthcoming months.
- c) Asset register and insurance renewal – revised asset register was agreed with reference to the insurance provision. It was resolved to use Came & Company's recommended insurance providers, Pen Underwriting Limited, at a cost of £1896.84 for 2021-2022.

Meeting suspended at 8pm to hear comment from the floor regarding the tennis courts

070921/9 Play Area, Playing Field and Tennis Courts

To discuss and resolve any action:

- a) Tennis posts and nets – it was agreed that Mrs Warburton would be reimbursed £135.04 for the net purchased, however, the net would be the property of the PC and would be stored over winter in the container. New posts would be sourced this winter in time for the season beginning next year. Until the season ends, the net needs to be taken down from the court so that the area can be used for other activities.

Proposed: Cllr Fagan, seconded: Cllr Fowler.

070921/10 Grounds Maintenance Contracts/Open Space

Action resolved:

- a) Parish footpath 316 – NLC's Public Rights of Way Officer has contacted the PC with a plan showing the line that they believe to be the correct one for this path, not along the track. The Conservancy Group planted and seeded the area when it changed in appearance following the construction of a new fence alongside the northern boundary of No 32, Marsh Lane. There is now a complaint that the path is overgrown. Ideally the cutting can be limited to a maximum 1M width to preserve the wildflowers.
- b) The laurel at 85 West End needs cutting back.

070921/11 Container

It was agreed that the PC would contribute £100 to put shelving in the container jointly owned with the Village Hall.

Proposed: Cllr Fagan, seconded: Cllr Snell.

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070921/12 Waste Bins and Dog Bins

Ward Cllr Ogg confirmed that NLC were surveying and mapping the bin provision across the county. It was noted that a new general waste bin is required outside the village hall and a dog bin on Marsh Lane.

070921/13 Accounts

The August/September 2021 accounts for payment and bank statements (see also Financial Reports) were approved by member and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Fagan.

19/8/2021	Newton Printing Services Ltd	Winteringham Newsletter August 2021 printing	£376.65
August 2021	Mr N King - Handyman	24 hours labour and materials expenses	£376.47
7/9/2021	BT	Village Hall broadband & Microsoft Office 365	£62.86
7/9/2021	Mrs J Warburton	Tennis net	£135.04
7/9/2021	Came & Company Insurance	2021-2022 insurance renewal	£1896.84

070921/14 2021/22 Budget and Future Projects

The revised budget (until December 2021) was discussed and resolved.

Proposed: Cllr Blackburn, seconded: Cllr Fowler.

Cllr Fagan suggested that the PC consult with the community regarding future projects and improvements with a budget up to £4000 from the remaining pot of S106 money. The S106 money can be used for recreational and amenities, preferably on land owned by the PC. Cllr Fagan will co-ordinate the community liaison.

070921/15 I.T.

No action required.

070921/16 Payroll Provider

Current provider is VANL, however, Cllr Blackburn expressed uncertainty over their long-term future with regards to funding. Also, a provider who specialises in public sector would be preferable. It therefore makes sense to switch to the Clerk's payroll arrangements for their other councils and that is Autela Payroll Services Ltd. The cost will be £14.00 per month, and they will also manage any pension administration requirements.

Proposed: Cllr Blackburn, seconded: Cllr Fagan.

070921/17 Reports from Representatives

- a) Village Hall – Regrettably the tearoom initiative will not be continuing. The committee has a new member who is very good with IT and will be updating the website. Unfortunately, there is fungi growing under the astroturf and is linked to the Rowan tree that was removed to lay the surface.
- b) Conservancy Group – see report at end of minutes. A request for a circular picnic bench. Cllr Fagan suggested that a decision regarding this is deferred until the community engagement results have been compiled. The Woodland Trust, as part of the Hull Freedom Festival, have provided 2 trees which will be planted in the previously agreed locations.

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070921/18 Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire

Results update – responses have been noted. A few people have registered an interest in assisting with the plan. The next stage is an open day. Cllr Blackburn would like to meet with Dave Lofts again in November and also look into the funding that is available.

070921/19 Defibrillator

It was suggested that one could be useful at the village hall side of the village too. There was discussion as to whether EMAS check and manage the equipment anymore. This item is deferred until October pending more information.

070921/20 Historic Buildings of Winteringham

The proposal from Dr Head was discussed and it was agreed to invite him to next month's meeting to discuss the initiative further.

070921/21 Correspondence

Correspondence received, noted and action resolved:

- i. Sport England Active Places - Winteringham Playing Field.
- ii. ERNLLCA 2021 Annual General Meeting – 23rd September at 7pm via Zoom – Cllr Blackburn and Cllr Fagan to attend.
- iii. North Ferriby Parish Council - Proposed Amazon Distribution Warehouse - Melton Fields (20/03555/STPLF). No action determined.
- iv. Winterton Exchange - Works for Openreach (WC3VCC4T) in the vicinity to Winteringham All Saints Church.
- v. Visit North Lincolnshire - Introducing our Visitor Economy Specialist Business Advisor.
- vi. ERNLLCA – Finance training sessions.
- vii. NLC – Forthcoming meetings poster September 2021.

070921/22 Minor Items

- a) Matters of correspondence received following publication of the agenda:
Hewde Lane scheduled works, ERNLLCA newsletter, Wicksteed parts quotation, HWRA car and bulk buying scheme and NALC policy consultation.
- b) Points from Councillors, questions or items of interest to note:
 - The Neighbourhood Watch group have been precluded from using the barn as they need to have their own insurance.
 - Tree issues to be referred to the NLC Tree Officer – 2 sycamores on the boundary of a plot on Marsh Lane, an oversized fig tree on Western Green, Rowan tree touching the ground on Back Lane, Beech trees on Western Green and the PC needs advice about the village nature garden. Cllr Blackburn is happy to liaise.

070921/23 Agenda for next and future meetings

Defibrillator.

070921/24 Next Meeting

The date and time of the next monthly meeting is, subject to any change, 12th October 2021 at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 9.38pm.

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Appendix

Wildflowers and bulb planting

For the past 10 years we've limited the planting of the wild daffodils to the locations originally agreed with the Parish Council and the Highways Department of NLC in. These locations were confirmed during a site visit/walkabout with council officers in 2011. In the coming autumn we intend to involve villagers in planting the following areas:

- The left-hand verge at the High Burgage entrance to the village (already planted the right-hand side).
- The grass strip on Low Burgage adjacent to Clixby House.
- Adding to the planting at the Cliff Road entrance to the village.
- Adding to planting on the bank opposite 16 West End (The Manor).

This year we want to add two additional locations to the planting. These are:

- To plant a swathe of spring flowering bulbs on the grass verge in front of Spring Cottage. The occupants of Spring House support this idea and have donated to the Daffodil Fund in anticipation of this going ahead.
- To involve the children from the Under Fives in planting a circle of daffodils outside of the four cherry trees that we're planted on the grassed area between the village hall and the playground.

This year we're also looking at how we can add to the wildlife value of our spring-flowering bulbs. We've realised that certain varieties of crocus can supply nectar and pollen to insects when they are emerging from hibernation. Consequently, we intend to mix some crocuses in with the daffodils planting. This will also extend the period of visual interest.

Finally, we will coordinate with the grass cutting contractor over any additional planting. Wild daffodil bulbs are expensive – and premature cutting back of the foliage drastically foreshortens their life (By way of feedback, the existing contractor Grove Services has been excellent in this respect).

As always, we welcome any feedback and suggestions.

Mike Pinnock
16 August 2021

Signature _____ Date _____