

# Winteringham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.15pm at Winteringham Village Hall, Frost Close, Winteringham

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## Present

Cllr Malcolm Blackburn (Chairman)  
Cllr Lesley Fowler

Cllr Ian Dowson  
Cllr Gaynor Snell

Cllr Lindsay Hutchinson

2 members of the public

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## Public Participation

Resident requested that the large trees behind his house, owned by the Parish Council, are trimmed to reduce them in size. See item 121021/11(a).

## 121021/1 Apologies

Cllr R Adams, Cllr D Fagan, Ward Cllr E Marper, Ward Cllr R Ogg and Ward Cllr H Rowson.

## 121021/2 Declarations of Interest

- a) Declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items:
- |                |         |          |                                      |
|----------------|---------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| Cllr Fowler    | Item 13 | Personal | Member of the Village Hall Committee |
| Cllr Blackburn | Item 13 | Personal | Member of the Village Hall Committee |
- b) No dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items.

## 121021/3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were approved by members and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Snell.

## 121021/4 Reports from Ward Councillor(s)

None present.

## 121021/5 Historic Buildings of Winteringham

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Dr Head, is no longer able to take this idea forward. Members agreed that no further action would be taken.

## 121021/6 Highways/Footpaths

Notification of any issues and action required:

- a) Road surfaces and footpaths – For information, the recent works on Sutton Hill revealed that the blockage was being caused by the tree roots of the nearby Horse Chestnut tree. The roots had damaged the culvert. It is likely that this will be a recurring issue.
- b) Drain blocked on Marsh Lane, opposite no. 38.
- c) Any other issues:
- Drains on the A1077 east of Eastfield Farm and West End need clearing.
  - Dog bins are not being emptied.
  - Members agreed to request an additional dog waste bin on Green Bridge on Marsh Lane.

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## 121021/7 Police Matters/Crime/Neighbourhood Watch

- The recent NATS Zoom meeting highlighted a significant amount of antisocial behaviour in Winterton.
- Cllr Fowler reported that the fly-tipping on the A1077, near Cliffe Road, has been reported to NLC, however it is deemed the responsibility of the landowner to deal with. NLC advised that they speak to the Environment Agency.
- The Safer Neighbourhood meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 was cancelled and has not been rescheduled.

## 121021/8 Planning

- a) Applications made to North Lincolnshire Council and comment resolved:
- i. Application No: PA/2021/1613  
Proposal: Planning permission to demolish garage and erect a two-storey side extension.  
Site Location: 30 Clifton House, School Road, Winteringham, DN15 9NL  
Applicant: R Pike  
Comment: No comment or objection.
- b) No decisions made by North Lincolnshire Council.
- c) No planning applications received after the agenda had been posted.

## 121021/9 Policies & Procedures

Discussed and adopted:

- a) Policies review – Tree Maintenance Policy and Health & Safety Policy.  
Proposed: Cllr Snell, seconded: Cllr Fowler.
- b) Risk assessments review – Risk Assessment Management.  
Proposed: Cllr Hutchinson, seconded: Cllr Fowler

## 121021/10 Play Area, Playing Field and Tennis Courts

To discuss and resolve any action:

- a) Playing Field and AWS pitch report – all looks okay. It was agreed that Cllr Hutchinson could have a budget of up to £80 to purchase new posts for the tennis courts. These to be bought before spring 2022.  
Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Blackburn.

## 121021/11 Grounds Maintenance Contracts/Open Space

Discussed and resolved:

- a) Tree maintenance – a request has been made to the NLC Tree Officer for a visit to the village to discuss tree matters, however, this may not occur due to their prohibitive workload. It was agreed that if they could not attend, members will form a working party and the required work contracted to a local arborist.
- b) Memorial – Cllr Blackburn advised that a resident has offered to clean inside the railings, paint the wall and paint the railings, with the ongoing offer of future maintenance. Members agreed that this was very generous, and the PC would subsidise the cost of any materials required.
- c) Waste bins – playing field and High Burgage bus stop. Clerk will investigate the cost associated with the Service Level Agreement (see item 121021/12).
- d) Any other matters – FP318 (footpath) from High Burgage to Silver Street, where it drops from one field to the next, has steps that are damaged. Additionally, the finger post has been knocked over.

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## 121021/12 Accounts

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

Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Blackburn

It was agreed to change the bank mandate to two signatories required on a cheque. It currently stands at three.

Proposed: Cllr Fowler, seconded: Cllr Hutchinson.

31/8/2021	Barton Mowing Services	Sports field and village hall grass cutting July & August 2021	£480.00
1/9/2021	ERNLLCA	Finance training – Cllr Blackburn 4/11/2021 Budgeting	£24.00
5/9/2021	Grove Groundworks Services	Verge cutting 7 <sup>th</sup> cut & parish paths/bridleways 3 <sup>rd</sup> cut (282 & 288)	£755.45
12/9/2021	PKF Littlejohn	Limited assurance review AGAR year ending 31 March 2021	£240.00
24/9/2021	BT	Broadband and Office 365 – Village Hall	£58.33
30/9/2021	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	Parts for cableway trolley	£103.80
September 2021	Mr N King – Handyman	Hours and expenses September 2021	£402.20
5/10/2021	North Lincolnshire Council	SLA 21/22 – Annual Playground Inspection & waste disposal	£1110.00
5/10/2021	VANL	Payroll Q2 – June to September 2021	£20.00

## 121021/13 Village Hall Broadband Transfer

This item is ongoing. Update next meeting.

## 121021/14 Reports from Representatives

- a) Village Hall AGM recently with three more trustees joining. Various events have been held, however, more will be needed to compensate for the significant increase in utility bills.
- b) Conservancy Group – report noted. See appendix.

## 121021/15 Defibrillator

Cllr Blackburn is awaiting a reply from East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) as to whether they are responsible for the existing defibrillator. Funding is available from NLC for additional ones. Item deferred until next month.

## 121021/16 Correspondence

Correspondence received, noted and action resolved:

- i. 5003064801 - Winterton Exchange - Works for Openreach (WC3VCC4T) in the vicinity to Winteringham All Saints Church.
- ii. Came & Company – name change to Gallagher Group.
- iii. PKF Littlejohn – completion of limited assurance review YE March 2021.
- iv. ERNLLCA meeting Tuesday 12 October 2021.
- v. ERNLLCA - Managing Grievance training – Cllr Blackburn to attend.
- vi. ERNLLCA - Being a Good Councillor Part 1 & 2.

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- vii. NLC - Forthcoming meetings for October 2021.
- viii. NLC - Weekly Roadworks List W/E 24/9/21.
- ix. Conservancy Group - Winteringham FP316, off Marsh Lane.
  - x. VANL – recruiting trustees.
  - xi. ERNLLCA – training survey.
  - xii. ERNLLCA – Finance training.
- xiii. NLC - Licensing Policy & Statement of Principles Review - Licensing Act 203 and Gambling Act 2005.
- xiv. Local Government Boundary Commission - Have your say on a new political map for North Lincolnshire Council.

## 121021/17 Minor Items

- a) Correspondence received following publication of the agenda:  
Survey on awareness of property flood resilience, roadworks list for WE 8.10.21 and email from Dr Head.
- b) Points from Councillors, questions and items of interest to note:
  - New Project Engagement – it was agreed to fund the £25 printing costs (Newton Printers) as requested by Cllr Fagan to enable a paper engagement note to be delivered to each household.
  - Cllr Fagan requested permission to identify and purchase a perch seat for the bus shelter following requests from older residents. Maximum cost £500 - Members agreed in principle but would like to research other options beside a perch seat. This will be put on the agenda in November 2021.

## 121021/18 Agenda for next and future meetings

- Remembrance Sunday.
- Nature garden.
- Notice board.
- Tennis nets storage solution.

## 121021/19 Next Meeting

The date and time of the next monthly meeting is, subject to any change, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 9.18pm.

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## Appendix

### Conservancy Group Report

#### Update on Spring blossom Tree Planting Scheme

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1. This report updates Winteringham Parish Council on progress towards the recommendations agreed by the Council in October 2020.
2. During 2000/2001 villagers came together and raised over £2700 to plant spring-flowering trees around the village.
3. The trees will provide a lasting tribute to the efforts of the frontline workers from the village who continue to work to keep us safe and well during the Covid 19 epidemic.
4. The idea for the planting of blossom trees draws on the tradition of the Japanese sakura (Cherry tree). In Japan the flowering cherry is held as a symbol of hope and renewal. Our trees will come into bloom at the anniversary of the arrival of Covid 19 in the UK. In years to come, the blooming of the trees will encourage us to reflect on the selflessness and courage that our frontline workers showed.
5. We're grateful to all the people who came forward and initiated, organised and supported fundraising events. These events created opportunities for the community to come together to enjoy themselves and to show their creativity and generosity. There are already signs that people intend to build on these for future years. It's worth saying that this kind of legacy will be as important as the trees themselves.
6. Originally, we planned to plant all of the spring-flowering trees in autumn 2020. The scheme was approved by the Parish Council in October 2020 and was then submitted to North Lincs. Council for comment. Unfortunately, we then experienced a long delay which ultimately delayed the planting by four months. Following a number of unsuccessful attempts to get feedback from the officer concerned, we informed the council that in the absence of a response, we would assume that they had no comments to make and that we would proceed with the scheme as per the original submission.
7. The delay in the planting created a number of problems, the most obvious one being that we'd hoped to be able to give the trees a chance to establish themselves before the arrival of spring. In the event, we've got round this by appointing a 'guardian' for each tree. This has meant that they are all being regularly watered.
8. The delay also caused problems in actually getting the chosen varieties from the supplier, Ornamental Trees Ltd in Otley. By the time we placed the order, they'd sold out of a number of the varieties that we'd specified on the original approved scheme. This meant that we could only source 24 of the original 35 on the planting schedule. The remaining 11 have been pre-ordered (and paid for) and will be delivered and planted in autumn.

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9. All of the planting was overseen by a villager who works as a qualified engineer with a public realm landscaping team. Due consideration has been given to sightlines and underground and overground services.

10. The original sites for the trees were selected following a consultation with villagers. Where practicable, we consulted with the property owners closest to each of the proposed sites. The vast majority of villagers have welcomed the planting of the blossom trees and have readily taken up the roles of ‘tree guardians’. As we anticipated in the original report, we did receive a small number of objections to the siting of the trees. Although we endeavored to respond to these sympathetically and constructively, we’ve not been able to proceed with two of the trees on the agreed schedule: one at the Silver Street entrance to the village; and one of the three trees planned for Ferry Lane. We intend to revisit the latter location in the autumn with a proposal for an alternative position.

11. In terms of the financing of the scheme, we raised a total of £2700 through the Just Giving page.

12. Our costs were as follows:

• 5 Kursar bare-rooted cherry trees from Mail Order Trees Ltd	182.90
• 3 Prunus Ko jo no mai	35.96
• 29 Assorted cherry from Ornamental Trees Ltd	2364.95
• 1 tub of Rootgrow form Amazon	33.63
• 6 Tree stakes from British Hardwoods	8.28

**Grand Total: £2625.72**

13. In conclusion, we hope that this report has demonstrated the way in which the village’s fundraising has been put to use. We intend to carry the balance of £74.28 over to undertake further tree planting in the autumn. The income and expenditure have been verified independently by Anna Parish.

14. We ask that the Parish Council:

- Note that the funds raised have been spent appropriately.
- Note that the remaining 11 trees approved by the Parish Council in the original schedule will be planted in the autumn.
- Agree to the Village Conservancy submitting a list of further possible planting sites in the autumn based on residents’ feedback and suggestions.

Mike Pinnock

On behalf of the Winteringham Village Conservancy

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