

WINTERINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

2ND JANUARY 2018

Matters raised by the residents' present

A member of the public raised the following matters:

- At November's meeting the Parish Council discussed the possibility of buying a laptop that could be used by Parish Councillors and the resident queried this. The Chair confirmed that the laptop was to aid the production of the newsletter, as a spare for the Parish Clerk and could be used for other Parish Council business as needed. It was confirmed that due to a lack of funding the purchase of a laptop would not be going ahead.
- The resident also asked why the BT bills had been so high over the past few months. It was confirmed that there had been some setup costs associated with broadband and telephone lines at the Clerks address and that BT had overcharged the Council on several occasions. The Council are currently trying to recover the money incorrectly taken.
- They also felt that although Rural Tourism Bid was a good idea the Village needed some attention. They mentioned that horse riders and cyclists have again been using the parish paths, in particular the bank along the Humber. The Parish Council confirmed that until the culprits are identified there was little that could be done, however it was agreed that a notice would be put on the Winteringham Residents Facebook page to highlight the correct usage of the parish paths. It was also noted that the road signs around the village are green with algae and look grimy and that some of the drains are full of leaves and are not functioning well. The Council decided to ask the handyman if he would be able to clean up the road signs. Cllr S. Foston confirmed that the Parish Council are waiting for the response on the Rural Tourism Bid.
- The resident also informed the council of a picture of the parish paths that is in the Village Hall storeroom and that the ownership of the picture needs to be decided so that it can be stored correctly.

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of Winteringham Parish Council held on 2nd January 2018 in the Village Hall at 7:30pm.

1. To hear the Apologies for Absence

Present: Parish Councillors K. Ashberry (in the Chair), P. Hatton, C. Price, I. Dowson, L. Kirkby, S. Foston, B. Bateson, W. Foord

Parish Clerk H. Scott

Residents

Apologies: Councillors B. Gardner, E. Marper, R. Ogg, H. Rowson

2. To review the minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2017

The minutes of the meeting were agreed unanimously; Cllr S. Foston proposed and P. Hatton seconded.

3. To hear the report from North Lincs Councillors

As the councillors were not present there was nothing to report.

4. To hear an update on the ongoing Recreation Grant

It was confirmed that the work on the play area is due to start on Monday 8th January 2018 however with the absence of the North Lincs Councillors and Debbie Fagan there was no other information that could be given.

5. To consider the Clerks report

The clerk gave the following report:

- The councils solicitor was unable to draw up the new lease between the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee and the Village Hall Committee have been asked to contact the Charity Commission regarding the new lease.
- The Asset Register has been updated to reflect the changes to the play area that will be taking place. The insurance company will need to be informed once the changes have been made.
- The handyman has been spoken to regarding emptying the bins on the play area more frequently and there were no new complaints of the bins being too full. However the Fish and Chip van has not been at the park as usual so once the refurbishment of the play area has taken place the bins will need to be monitored to ensure they are emptied regularly enough.
- No information regarding Lady Duddings will has been found, Cllr C. Price will speak to Anne Sumner to let her know.
- The council confirmed to the Clerk that they had previously looked in to putting in an electricity supply for the Christmas Lights and found the cost to be prohibitive.

Meeting was suspended at 19:42pm so that Rafi Ilivitzky could give a short presentation about the Trailtales app. Rafi introduced the company and the app and explained how it worked to the councillors. He informed the council that most small tourist attractions are not highlighted clearly to users and therefore people miss out on these important historical landmarks/attractions. The Trailtales app highlights these points of interest in a way that other apps do not. it is free for users to access and free for companies to upload their walks/attractions to. Councillors had the opportunity to ask questions and Rafi was thanked for his time. The meeting was resumed at 20:02pm.

- The cigarette bin attached the bus stop on High Burgage has been vandalised. The council were unsure of how often it was used and decided delay purchasing a new one unless it was needed.

6. To be updated on the Financial Report

The financial report was circulated amongst the councillors during the meeting and all payments were approved. The council discussed the ongoing overpayments that have been made to BT. Cllrs W. Foord and S. Foston volunteered to go into the bank so that the council can be reimbursed.

7. To consider the budget for the next financial year

The Parish Council discussed the draft precept that had been prepared by the Clerk and several adjustments were made. It was decided that due to a lack of information regarding the precept from North Lincolnshire Council that an extraordinary meeting would be held later this month where the precept could be discussed in more detail.

8. To consider any Planning applications

There were no planning applications to consider. The Council discussed retrospective planning application PA/2017/1470 as the agreed time limit for an ageing method to be used on the wall has now passed. It was agreed that this planning application would be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

9. To conduct the yearly policy review

The Parish Council had received no comments from the public regarding any changes to the current policies in place. It was agreed by the council that a Complaints Procedure explaining where people could go to make complaints regarding the council would be a good thing to have. The Clerk is to enquire if ERNLLCA have a draft policy/procedure that the council could amend. The Council also agreed that the petition policy would be amended on points 4 and 9 to show that the Clerks response could be through written letter or email.

10. To discuss the creation of a Parish Council crest

The Parish Council discussed the creation of a Parish Council crest/logo. It was decided that this was a good idea and that it would be ran as a competition, the information is to go out on the Winteringham Residents Facebook page, the Parish Council website and in the Newsletter.

11. To hear the latest Transparency Code Report

Cllr S. Foston confirmed that he was waiting to hear back regarding the Rural Tourism Bid and will produce the next Transparency Report once he has the response.

12. To be Updated on the All -Weather Surface Pitch report

Due to the imminent refurbishment of the play area and All-weather Surface pitch no report was produced this month.

13. To report any new highways matters

- a) Road Surfaces: The potholes raised at last months meeting have still not been attended to by North Lincolnshire Council, the Clerk is to chase this up. Due to bad weather no new potholes were reported, Cllr W. Foord will inform the Clerk of any new potholes later on this month.
- b) Street Lights: Nothing new to report.
- c) Footpaths: Nothing new to report.
- d) Parish Footpaths: The Parish Paths Committee are still waiting for a meeting with Dave Sanderson regarding outstanding works on the parish paths.
- e) Playing Field: Nothing new to report, it was noted that the grass on the sunken goal mouth is looking much better.
- f) Snow Clearance and gritting of paths: The chair gave out copies of the Snow Clearance plan taken from the Winteringham Emergency Plan. The Chair confirmed that the flooding plan has been updated but the information on the snow clearance needs updating. Cllr L. Kirkby confirmed who in the village is currently a snow warden and the council discussed ways of recruiting new snow wardens. It was agreed to use facebook to try and get some more volunteers. Cllr C. Price said that the Emergency Action Plan came up at the last NHW meeting and different ways of revitalising the committee were discussed by the council. It was decided that the current chairman should be spoken to about revitalising the Emergency Action Plan and to progress things on from there.

14. To hear the reports from Representatives

- a) NATs: The next meeting will be held on 31st January 2018.
- b) NHW: The British Steel apprenticeship scheme have been requested to come and have a look at the teen shelter to see what they could do to improve the structure. The Emergency Action Plan (see section 13f) and the incorrect usage of parish paths were also mentioned at the last NHW meeting. The Police are still looking in to the incident involving fireworks thrown from a moving vehicle that took place recently.
- c) Village Hall: The committee are working on a program for next year. It was reported that some of the floor tiles have come up in the main floor and they will be buying a mat to cover these. A new cleaner has been appointed as well.
- d) Festival: The Festival DVD is now available and can be obtained from the Festival Committee for a small donation. Cllr S. Foston has produced an outline program ahead of the next meeting that will be held on the 16th January 2018 and councillors had opportunity to see the program. The accounts have now been finalised and they have been sent to the National Lottery and will now be sent to Val Lancaster to be audited.
- e) Nature Garden: Cllr C. Price confirmed that she has signed up to the It's Your Neighbourhood Scheme for next year and that the Nature Garden was listed in the Grimsby telegraph for winning an RHS award.
- f) Newsletter: nothing new to report.

15. To review any Correspondence

The clerk confirmed that the only correspondence that she had received was from Park Farm Landscapes to inform the council that they would not be renewing the contract with the Parish Council next year, the Clerk will be looking in to obtaining quotes from other companies.

16. To give Any Other Business

Cllr S. Foston confirmed that the Parish Council are awaiting a response regarding the Rural Community Bid.

17. To give any comments to the Chair

No comments were made.

Meeting closed at 21.23

Holly Scott

Clerk