

## ***WINTERINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL***

***6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018***

### **Matters raised by the residents' present**

A resident wanted to know why villagers didn't have the chance to buy the old play park equipment. Debbie Fagan explained that to take it out for future use would increase the cost of the work and it would mean that the council would be unable to afford all the new pieces of equipment. There was also no guarantee that it would come out suitable for future use therefore it was deemed too risky to carry out. The resident wanted to know why one piece of equipment was auctioned off, Debbie explained that it was a matter between Wicksteed and the contractor that was carrying out the work. It may have been to enable the contractor to get money back for the scrap value of the equipment. The resident also wanted to know why the swings were taken out when they were in good use, it was explained that they had a limited time left and that they take up valuable space in the park.

The resident also suggested that the Parish Council could fill in the goal mouth using the spare soil outside the Village Hall. The Chair confirmed that putting a large amount soil into the mouth can be a hazard. Cllr B. Bateson confirmed that he had been putting soil in gradually and that the grass had been healing up.

A resident informed the council that there was a large amount of standing water on the tennis court. Debbie Fagan has confirmed that she has told the contractor about this and that they will be looking in to it.

Another resident confirmed that when she has been to the park she has regularly spoken to visitors and they have commented about the level of dog mess on the playing field. She suggested that the playing field should be made a dog free zone. Cllr R. Ogg confirmed that if you obtain pictures of the owners and dogs that it can be used as evidence in a prosecution. The council proposed to put a byelaw in place that bans the exercising of dogs on the playing field. Cllr R. Ogg will get in touch with NLC legal team to confirm how this should be carried out. Cllr P. Hatton asked if a piece could be put in the newsletter informing residents about the proposed changes to the playing field and the problem of dog fouling in the village, it was also suggested that the dog warden could be asked about signage.

### **BUSINESS OF THE MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting of Winteringham Parish Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 in the Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Cliff Spencer was invited to speak at the meeting regarding the ISABEL workshop. Cliff reminded the council of the objective of the ISABEL project. He then informed the council of the goals of the community wide workshop. The parish council confirmed that the Village Hall would be a good venue to hold the workshop in and that an advert for the workshop would be placed in the newsletter. The Parish Council agreed that the 16<sup>th</sup> April would be a good date to hold the workshop on. Cliff confirmed that there will be an international workshop at the end of April which people are welcome to attend. A

resident confirmed that NLC are in talks with larger companies regarding waste and that this might be have an impact on the project.

1. To hear the Apologies for Absence

Present: Parish Councillors K. Ashberry (in the Chair), P. Hatton, C. Price, I. Dowson, S. Foston, B. Bateson, W. Foord, R. Ogg  
Parish Clerk H. Scott  
Residents  
Apologies: Councillors B. Gardner, E. Marper, H. Rowson and L. Kirkby

2. To review the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> January and 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Cllr S. Foston proposed to accept the minutes held on 2<sup>nd</sup> January as a true record, Cllr P. Hatton seconded and all were in favour. Regarding the minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January Cllr W. Foord wanted to register that he was against the vote to grant the NHW the requested money. Cllr S. Foston proposed, Cllr P. Hatton seconded and all were in favour that the amended record was a true record.

3. To hear the report from North Lincs Councillors

Cllr R. Ogg gave the following report:

- At the last NATS meeting there was concern about doorstep sellers and break-ins around the community. It is unclear whether these are linked and residents are to be aware of this problem.
- The NHW team are looking to have a litter pick on 4<sup>th</sup> March. They are looking to close the A1077 so that this can take place and NLC will be organising this.
- The council discussed the police chase in Winteringham today but no further information was known.

4. To hear an update on the ongoing Recreation Grant

Debbie Fagan confirmed that all the equipment has now been installed. There needs to be time for the grass to heal before the park can be opened for use. She confirmed that the project has gone well overall and the zip-wire is now up and running. The all-weather pitch has been completed but there are problems with standing water, Debbie has informed the company so that they can rectify the problem. The sports lines on the pitch will be put on in April. The lining on the play area will be applied in a few weeks once the tarmac has "cured". A grand opening of the play area has been arranged for 17<sup>th</sup> March for 10:30pm. It was confirmed that a coffee morning at the Village Hall will take place at the same time to raise money for the planting around the village. Debbie also asked if she could come to speak to the Parish Council at April's meeting to look at the phase two plan for improvements around the village. The councillors agreed that this would be a good time for her to come and speak to them.

5. To consider the Clerks report

The clerk gave the following report:

- John White is to commence work on the Sluice steps and steps behind the church this Friday.
- Cllr C. Ashberry confirmed that the tree on back lane had been pruned.
- The handyman has removed the rubbish in the Spinney.
- Cllr C. Price has spoken to the pub about planting in the village and is currently working on a colour scheme and a planting plan.

- The Clerk is waiting for further information regarding the Data Protection Law changes from ERNLLCA.
- Cllr K. Ashberry has spoken to Les Ward and he confirmed that he has resigned from the Emergency Action Plan Committee. Cllr C. Price confirmed that the NHW would like to take a lead in revitalising the Emergency Action Plan. Cllr K. Ashberry will send the documents to Cllr C. Price.
- The Parish Council approved the quote from Andy Goldies regarding the trimming of the hedges along the parish footpaths.
- Cllr C. Price informed the parish council of a meeting that she attended with Tim Allen and Mark Thornborough about the bank on West End. The installation of a curb/wooden base at the bottom of the wall was discussed. Cllr R. Ogg confirmed that once the quotes for the work have been obtained that the Parish Council could apply for money from the Environment Enhancement Grant and the Community Grant to help towards the cost of the work on the wall.
- The Parish Council considered the quotes obtained by the Clerk for the cutting work on the playing fields. It was agreed to use Barton Mowing Services.

#### 6. To be updated on the Financial Report

The Clerk confirmed that she is now on the Bank Mandate as a signatory and should now be receiving bank statements to her home address. The council discussed the BT bill and the MacAfee payment. The financial report was agreed by all as an accurate record and all payments were approved.

#### 7. To consider the budget for the next financial year

The Parish Council discussed the precept and any changes that were needed. Cllr P. Hatton proposed the precept to be set at £17,032 and Cllr S. Foston seconded. All were in favour.

The council discussed the parish footpaths quotes and decided that Yards Apart should be awarded the tender for the next financial year.

#### 8. To consider any Planning applications

Meeting suspended at 20:36pm to allow residents to speak regarding the planning applications. Cllr R. Ogg declared an interest and left the meeting.

- a) Planning application PA/2018/107: No comments or objections were raised.
- b) Planning application approved PA/2017/1776
- c) Planning application approved PA/2017/1675
- d) Planning application approved PA/2017/1596
- e) Retrospective application PA/2017/1470: The council would like an update on the ageing process as there was no change noticed to the wall.
- f) Planning application PA/2018/40: Debbie Fagan circulated her personal views on the application for the council to consider. Other residents confirmed that they had the same objections which included limited parking, impact on the sale of the shop, possible damage to the retaining wall, drainage capacity and safety of children walking to school whilst the works are in progress. The Parish Council discussed the planning application and felt that the location of the new development is unsuitable for the reasons outlined above. The residents were encouraged to put their own views on the NLC website regarding the planning application. It was confirmed that locations for new housing developments in Winteringham would be included in the Neighbourhood Plan.
- g) Planning application PA/2018/211: No comments or objections were raised.
- h) Planning application PA/2018/190: No comments or objections were raised.

Meeting resumed at 20:47pm.

9. To discuss the use of the trailtales app for the parish paths

The council discussed the trailtales app that was introduced to them at the last Parish Council meeting. Cllr S. Foston informed the council about the EU Leader Fund Grant Application. The proposal has been approved and a full application now needs to be completed. Cllr S. Foston has included in the EU leader Fund Grant application an update to the points of interest around the village, it is envisaged that once the points of interest have been updated this would then be used in the Trailtales app. Cllr S. Foston is to obtain further information regarding the points of interest, he was informed that some of the information has been sent to the British Library and that Sandra Clayton used to carry out history walks and would be a good person to speak to about this.

10. To be informed of the parish paths committee meeting outcome

The parish paths committee have met with Dave Sanderson and it was a successful meeting. Cllr K. Ashberry informed the parish council of some route changes on the footpaths which would be at no cost to the farmers and which would improve the walks and signage. The instigation of a bridleway was discussed but information was needed from Whitton parish council to proceed. It was confirmed that all new signs will be provided and a new parish paths leaflet would be paid for by NLC. Cllr K. Ashberry has been in touch with Alan Smith who has confirmed the ownership/tenancy of the fields which the footpaths go through and he also confirmed that it is horse riders responsibility to rectify any problem on the paths caused by horses. The council were also informed that all the stiles on the parish paths will be replaced with kissing gates.

11. To consider the draft parish council complaints policy

The council discussed the draft complaints policy. Cllr K. Ashberry raised the point that she would not be prepared to chair meetings regarding complaints. It was agreed that the policy should be simplified and a notice could be put up on the website informing residents of where to make a complaint. Cllr S. Foston will amend the policy and it will be considered at the next meeting.

12. To hear the latest Transparency Code Report

Cllr S. Foston has completed the Transparency Code Fund application and this has been sent off for consideration.

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

Nothing new to report.

14. To report any new highways matters

- a) Road Surfaces: Cllr W. Foord has passed on information regarding new potholes to the clerk who is to report this to NLC.
- b) Street Lights: Nothing new to report.
- c) Footpaths: Cllr S. Foston queried applying for a dropped curb on the corner of Marsh Lane and West End to allow mobility scooters to cross, he was informed that an application should be made to NLC.
- d) Parish Footpaths: Nothing new to report.
- e) Playing Field: Nothing new to report.

- f) Snow Clearance and gritting of paths: The council was unsure if the grit bins have been refilled. The Clerk is to speak to NLC to confirm when this will be happening.

15. To hear the reports from Representatives

- a) NATs: The incidents of door knocking were discussed at the meeting. Mark Thornborough was present and he discussed the problem of potholes in NLC.
- b) NHW: The incidents of door knocking were discussed at the NHW meeting. The planning application for the installation of CCTV on the Village Hall has been approved and the NHW are due to hear back regarding the grant for the purchasing of the CCTV equipment. The NHW also discussed the creation of a community resilience plan. It was also suggested that pictures of who is involved in the NHW could be put on the Village Hall website and Cllr S. Foston confirmed that this could be carried out. Cllr C. Price confirmed that the minutes of the NHW meetings will be published on the website as per the grant conditions from the Parish Council.
- c) Village Hall: It was confirmed that the Village Hall need a new Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. It was suggested that a piece be put in the newsletter informing residents of the vacancies.
- d) Festival: It was confirmed that the main act for the concert on the Saturday afternoon has been booked however something still needs to be booked for the Sunday evening. The correct licenses need to be applied for and there is interest in having stands on the main field and sculptures by a local artist displayed at the Yawl Club.
- e) Nature Garden: Vandalism has been reported in the Nature Garden, a bike was removed from the pond and the council discussed the vandalism.
- f) Newsletter: A date for the next newsletter delivery was set for end of March. All entries/adverts need to be in by 9<sup>th</sup> March.

16. To review any Correspondence

Cllr C. Price has asked if the Parish Council could have an online persona to help protect councillors when making information known on Facebook. This was agreed and will be overseen by Cllr C. Price.

The Clerk informed the parish council of the following correspondence:

- NLC sent a quote for the inspection of the playground equipment for next year. The council agreed to go ahead with using NLC services as set out in the agreement.
- NLC will be holding a consultation event regarding the new local plan. This will take place on 21/02/18 from 3-7pm at Old School Hall Community Centre in Winterton.
- The handyman had spoken to a gentleman who lives behind the spinney, the resident would like the trees to be pruned back again. The Parish Council confirmed that it would be considered in the future.
- A resident had informed the Clerk of moles being active on the embankment on the Humber. It has been passed on to the Environment Agency.

17. To give Any Other Business

The chair of the under 5s group held at the Village Hall had enquired about the change in the lease between the Village Hall and the Parish Council. It was confirmed that this is still ongoing and that the Village all are liaising with the Charity Commission regarding this.

18. To consider the parish council crest competition

The Parish Council viewed the entries to the competition. It was agreed that a shortlist should be drawn up and the parish council will discuss the shortlist at the next meeting.

19. To give any comments to the Chair

Nothing to report.

Meeting closed at 21.52pm

*Holly Scott*

Clerk