

Linby Parish Council
Minutes of the Council Meeting at Brooke Farm, Linby on Monday 14th July 2014

Present: C Hardstaff (Vice Chairman), W Lewis, D Ireland, L Newton, J Parker, S Molsom, Mr Worrall (parishioner) and the Clerk.

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor B Brothwell (Chairman) and Borough Cllr P Andrews.

2.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Hardstaff declared an interest in The Local Plan.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes – 9th June 2014

The minutes for the previous meeting were approved and signed by Cllr Hardstaff.

4.0 Matters Arising from the previous meeting

Lengthsman

Cllr Lewis advised that work had ceased with the Lengthsman temporarily due to an administrative error. However, Mr Newman is now working from a job sheet and things will return to 'business as usual'. Cllr Newton asked if Mr Newman would be cutting the grass bank, as Notts CC did the job last time. Cllr Lewis advised that Mr Newman would be including this on his job sheet. The amount of cigarette butts left in the bus stops were also a cause for concern, especially with the second round of judging for the Best Kept Village due at any time. It was agreed that Mr Newman would also be made aware of this job. However, Cllr Newton did mention that GBC should also sweep up any rubbish in the bus stops when they come to empty the bins.

Cllr Ireland referred to comments from a parishioner, enquiring whether the bin at the entrance to Hall Farm could be relocated due to the smell. After discussing alternative options, it was agreed that there was no other suitable location.

5.0 Storage Container

Cllr Lewis referred to a letter of complaint from a parishioner asking for the storage container to be relocated from the Heritage Centre site, as this is affecting his view from his back door. Cllr Lewis reflected on the time he had spent with residents trying to address their concerns, but as a gesture of goodwill had agreed to speak to Brooke Farm to see if they would consider housing the container. Cllr Lewis advised that he is currently awaiting a response to this request and would update the Cllr's in due course.

6.0 Heritage Lottery Fund

Cllr Ireland advised that she had contacted the HLF to extend the term of the project to the end of September 2015, due to Mr Shacklock's current workload. This had been approved and work on the smaller wall by Church Lane would commence in approximately 3 weeks. Cllr Ireland asked for assistance in advertising the workshop on the 21st September at Hanson House. So far two requests had been received to attend the day.

Clerk asked to forward information to organisations such as the Hucknall Heritage Society, Friends of Moor Pond Woods, Patchings Farm, Notts Conservation Group and Civic Society, along with the Griffins Head. Leaflets advertising the event are to be posted around the village nearer the date. Cllr Ireland advised that she had still received no response from Eamon Harrison (Highways) regarding the ownership of the footpaths and this was making the decision on where to carry out the practical demonstration difficult. After some discussion, it was agreed that a replacement bench by the bus stop could be built, using a mixture of stone and wood. This would could also include an engraving/plaque, which is required as part of the HLF bid. Cllr Ireland to discuss this idea with Mr Shacklock, and clerk to continue to chase Mr Harrison for a response on the footpaths.

7.0 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated to all Cllr's before the meeting:

<u>7.1</u>	GBC – Community Infrastructure Levy – <i>Cllr Ireland and Cllr Molsom to comment on this document (consultation documents held at the Village Hall)</i>
<u>7.2</u>	CPRE – BKV - <i>confirmation that Linby has progressed to round 2 of judging</i>
<u>7.3</u>	NALC – Governance and Accountability
<u>7.4</u>	NALC – Notts ALC Service Directory Website

7.5	RCAN - Newsletter
7.6	Notts CC – Community Commemoration Fund
7.7	GBC – Planning Agenda
7.8	NALC – Rural Affordable Housing
7.9	GBC – Lambley Primary School visit Gedling County Park
7.10	Notts CC – Armed Forces Day
7.11	Paddy Tipping – The Beat
7.12	NALC – Ken Clark President of Notts ALC
7.13	SLCC – News Bulletin
7.14	NALC – Local Audit Consultation
7.15	Ashfield DC – Supplementary Planning Document Consultation
7.16	Two Little Fishes - Newsletter
7.17	GBC – Planning Agenda
7.18	NALC – Complaint Handling
7.19	RCAN – Funding Events
7.20	NALC – Reporting Council Meetings, Consultation
7.21	GBC – Council Meeting Agenda
7.22	Mark Spencer MP – Newsletter
7.23	NALC – Invite to join Executive Committee
7.24	GBC – Job Centre move to Arnold

8.0 Planning

8.1 Planning Applications Received

No applications were received for this period.

8.2 Land North of Papplewick Lane

Cllr Ireland advised that she and Mrs Norris had recently attended a Planning Meeting at Gedling Borough Council, where a decision on this application had been deferred due to late comments received from the Environment Agency regarding the attenuation ponds. Mrs Norris had requested, under the 'Freedom of Information Act' details from Notts CC on developments they have approved which did not meet their own standards. This request had been declined on the basis of too much work involved to trace the information. However, two developments in 1970 and 1996 were referred to as possibilities. Mrs Norris, along with Cllr Ireland, not satisfied with this response recently visited Mark Spencer MP, to enlist his assistance in dealing with Notts CC. Cllr Ireland explained that GBC are very cautious when it comes to the green belt, after two recent legal challenges concerning a wind turbine and crematorium. Therefore, the attenuation ponds being sited in the green belt for no other reason than building more houses can not be classed as 'special circumstances'.

In addition, the Environment Agency is now reviewing the flood risk posed to the Vaughn Estate. Cllr Ireland welcomed the support provided by the Dispatch, highlighting the strain on Hucknall's infrastructure, with local children not being able to secure primary school places and long waiting lists for seeing the doctor and dentist etc.

Cllr Ireland advised that the next meeting to discuss this development will take place on the 6th August.

9.0 Finance

9.1 Cheques for approval

Date	Chq. no	Amount	Payable to:
14.07.14	300793	£30.89	W Lewis (<i>expenses</i>)
14.07.14	300794	£58.43	NALC (<i>subs</i>)
14.07.14	300795	£16.00	D Ireland (<i>printing expenses</i>)
14.07.14	300796	£25.00	Two Little Fishes
14.07.14	300797	£277.90	K Holmes (<i>wages & expenses</i>)
	Total	£408.22	

9.1 a) The above cheques were approved for payment.

£187.50 was also received from the Papplewick and Linby Leisure and Enterprise Group for the purchase of the replacement barrels.

9.0 Any other business relating to Finance

9.2 New bank account

The clerk had notified the Cllr's that she had still not received a cheque book for the new Barclays account, and the helpdesk refused to chase this up or speak to her as she is not a

signatory. It was felt that the service received from Barclays had been extremely poor and after 7 months of trying to set up an account, it was time to desist and remain with the Co-op Bank for the time being. Clerk to write to Barclays and speak to the Co-op regarding setting up standing orders for Two Little Fishes and wage payments.

10.0 Any other business

10.1 Planter

Cllr Lewis advised that a new resident to Sherwood House apartments had offered to water the flower tubs near her property. It was agreed that Cllr Lewis should buy a hose pipe and that the Parish Council would cover the small cost involved.

10.2 WW1 Commemoration

Cllr Hardstaff advised that acts of remembrance would take place on the first weekend in August. Cllr Hardstaff had asked the newly formed Lapwings WI to knit or crochet poppies to decorate the top cross and had received approximately 20 to date. Cllr Hardstaff welcomed any further support in making more poppies and had also provided Sherwood House with patterns. Mrs Terry from the Primary School had purchased red felt and the children will sew poppies to decorate the bottom cross. It was agreed that the payment for this material (£24.47) would come from the Millennium Fund. Poppies need to be returned to Cllr Hardstaff by the 2nd August, with the Remembrance Service taking place on the 3rd August at St Michaels.

10.3 Heritage Centre

Cllr Hardstaff, Cllr Lewis and Cllr Parker will cover the final Heritage Centre opening for 2014, on the 7th September. It was agreed that the time would be spent cleaning and closing down the centre. Cllr Newton enquired if the loose bench had been cemented; and suggested that maybe this could be looked at. Cllr Ireland advised that Mr Mills had collected the donated Railway Sign from Scotland and is currently storing at his Sheffield depot. It was suggested that the sign may look nice attached to the side of the storage container.

10.4 Parish Liaison Meeting

Cllr Ireland reported that she and Cllr Molsom had recently attended a Parish Liaison Meeting held by GBC. There had been a presentation from RCAN on available funding for renewable energy, although the details of the scheme were very sketchy. Future meetings had been planned with topics to include, funding and improved communication within the planning process.

10.5 Speeding

Mr Worrall advised that he is hoping to attend an upcoming Strategic Meeting at the Arrow Centre and would circulate details of the date following the meeting. Mr Worrall has arranged for Paddy Tipping to visit his property to witness the extent of speeding through the village. It was also agreed that speeding on Sunday nights had again increased.

Cllr Hardstaff closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

It was agreed that future meetings will commence at 7.30pm, to better accommodate Cllr's work commitments.

Date of next meeting: 7.30pm on 8th September 2014.

Signed.....
Chairman of the Parish Council

Signed.....
Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council