

Linby Parish Council
Minutes of the Council Meeting at Brooke Farm, Linby on Monday 9th March 2015

Present: Councillor's B Brothwell (Chairman), C Hardstaff (Vice Chairman), W Lewis, L Newton, S Molsom, J Parker, Borough Cllr P Andrews, and the clerk.

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from County Cllr C Barnfather and D Ireland.

2.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Hardstaff declared an interest in The Local Plan.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes – 9th February 2015

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

4.0 Matters Arising from the previous meeting

Cllr Brothwell's resignation from the Parish Council

Cllr Brothwell took the opportunity to announce that due to health reasons he would be standing down as Chairman of the Parish Council with immediate effect. Cllr Newton has also taken the decision not to stand for re-election.

Car Park Repairs

Cllr Brothwell pointed out that the repairs to the rear car park at the Horse and Groom had been completed, with the addition of two disabled parking bays.

Heritage Lottery Update

Cllr Brothwell advised that Mr Shacklock had withdrawn his services from the Parish Council for personal reasons. The clerk had written to Mr Shacklock outlining the Council's disappointment at being let down so near to the start date, and also pointing out the difficulties faced in finding a replacement stonemason for the practical session of April's workshop. Cllr Brothwell stated that Mr Shacklock's advertisement had been withdrawn from the website and asked the clerk to circulate a copy of the letter.

Listed Building Status

Cllr Brothwell referred to an email from Jason Morden (Conservation Officer) regarding the Horse and Groom, along with various stone walls in the village receiving Preservation Orders/ Listed Building Status. Cllr Brothwell asked the clerk to forward a copy of the email to the other Cllr's to decide how they wished to proceed.

5.0 Heritage Lottery Workshop

The clerk was concerned that to date no places had been reserved for the Conservation Workshop. Cllr Hardstaff believed that the Friends of Moor Pond Woods would be attending and asked that the flyer be circulated again. Cllr Brothwell confirmed that the bus shelters would be fine to use for the practical demonstration, as they belong to the Parish Council. However, the back wall of the bus stop next to the Horse and Groom is actually part of Brooke Farm's boundary.

6.0 Open Gardens

Cllr Lewis advised that the date for Open Gardens had been set for the 26th July 2015, with Hanson House having also been booked to serve refreshments. Cllr Lewis recalled that Blidworth Brass Band played at the last Open Gardens event and advised that he would contact them again for a quote. However, for a cost comparison the clerk would contact Hucknall and Linby Brass Band to gain the price based on two 45 minute slots of traditional garden party music. It was agreed that the event would run from 1pm till 4pm and that craft stalls would be invited to make a £10 donation rather than being charged a pitch fee. Cllr Hardstaff and the clerk to contact local parties who may be interested in holding a stall.

7.0 School Crossing

The clerk advised that Mr Conidi had reported two accidents from a grandparent and parent using the school crossing. Both had slipped on the York paving slabs while attempting to cross the road with their children. One accident saw a grandmother slip into the road, banging her head and losing control of the pushchair. Whilst she lay in the road the traffic continued to go around her, which proved an extremely frightening experience. The other accident again resulted from the pavement being slippery, with the parent concerned falling and spraining her wrist. The Cllr's agreed that this matter needed urgent attention and suggested the installation of bumpy paving or anti slip strips, which Cllr Molsom was able to source. Clerk to contact Highways to report the issues and ascertain how we can improve the safety of the crossing. The clerk also reported that the new School Crossing Patrol would begin in the summer term.

8.0 AGM and Election

Cllr Brothwell advised that the clerk would soon be collecting the nomination papers for the upcoming elections. Cllr Brothwell suggested that as the PC will be two Cllr's short, it would be sensible to begin spreading the word for candidates to fill the positions.

9.0 Correspondence

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

<u>9.1</u>	GBC - Agenda for Planning Committee, Wednesday 18 February 2015, 6.00 pm
<u>9.2</u>	Neighbourhood Development Plans – Peter Edwards
<u>9.3</u>	GBC - Additional Planning Committee - Wednesday 4 March 2015, 6.00 pm,
<u>9.4</u>	RCAN – Neighbourhood Planning Invite
<u>9.5</u>	GBC - Agenda for Cabinet, Thursday 19 February 2015, 12.30 pm
<u>9.6</u>	GBC - Gedling's new ranger for flood and ice danger
<u>9.7</u>	RCAN Newsletter
<u>9.8</u>	GBC - Planning Policy - meeting for all Parish Councils 12th February
<u>9.9</u>	Notts CC – Notts Dragons Den
<u>9.10</u>	NALC - Local Government Finance Settlement - update from Jonanathan Owen
<u>9.11</u>	Mark Spencer MP - An Evening with the Secretary of State for Transport
<u>9.12</u>	GBC - Council offer extended due to demand
<u>9.13</u>	GBC - Agenda for Council, Tuesday 3 March 2015, 6.00 pm
<u>9.14</u>	GBC - No smoking in children's play areas
<u>9.15</u>	GBC - Supplement: Supplementary Information- Application No. 2014/1356
<u>9.16</u>	SLCC – News Bulletin
<u>9.17</u>	Notts Police - Priority meeting 10 March 2015
<u>9.18</u>	GBC - Women's Day to be celebrated
<u>9.19</u>	GBC - Agenda for Planning Committee, Wednesday 11 March 2015, 6.00 pm
<u>9.20</u>	GBC - Council budget will allow tax freeze, more jobs and safer taxis
<u>9.21</u>	NALC - Latest Personnel Newsletter
<u>9.22</u>	Paddy Tipping – The Beat
<u>9.23</u>	CPRE - Annual General Meeting of CPRE Nottinghamshire
<u>9.24</u>	GBC - Men in Sheds to launch in Daybrook

9.25	GBC - Rescheduled Meeting- Wednesday 25 March 2015, 11.00 am, Cabinet
9.26	Notts CC - The Care Act 2014 - Deferred Payment Scheme

10.0 Planning

10.1 Strata Homes Planning Application 2014/0950

Cllr Brothwell advised that he had again taken part in a Radio Nottingham interview regarding the Strata Homes development. Cllr Newton noted her disappointment in the response provided by GBC's Deputy Leader, who accused Cllr Brothwell of lying about various aspects of the planning application and movements on site; also stating that Linby PC had declined various offers from GBC to meet and discuss the development. The Cllr's were also concerned by the recent movement on site, with heavy plant being dropped off and subsequently removed, combined with the installation of a portable toilet. Cllr Brothwell reminded the Cllr's that the Section 106 payment is yet to be resolved and while the fate of this application rests with the Planning Minister, all work on site should cease. It was noted that a archaeological dig had taken place on site and netting had been suspended over the hedge boundary. Cllr Molsom echoed his disappointment over how this situation continues to be handled by GBC, but advised that he will continue to explore every avenue to ensure the best outcome is achieved; bringing any further updates to future meetings for discussion.

10.2 Any other business relating to Planning

a) Linby House 2014/1282

Cllr Andrews advised that this application has been withdrawn and the bin store is to be removed. Cllr Brothwell highlighted that as part of the residents agreement, there needs to be a bin store available on site.

b) Yellowstone Quarry – variance on transport movements

Clerk to chase up the outcome, as no further information received has been received on this application.

11.0 Finance

11.1 Cheques for approval

Date	Chq. no	Amount	Payable to:
09.03.15	300814	£25.03	Southern Electricity
	Total	£25.03	
20.02.15	<i>S. order</i>	£25.00	<i>Two Little Fishes</i>
20.02.15	<i>S. order</i>	£242.86	<i>K Holmes</i>
	Total	£267.86	

Current bank balances

Co-op - £12,564.23 (HLF of £4,300 included in balance)

HSBC - £154.19

11.2 Any other business relating to Finance

None

10.0 Any other business

Neighbourhood Plan

The Cllr's agreed that a Neighbourhood Plan may now be of benefit to our village and asked the clerk to contact RCAN to invite them to deliver a presentation, or offer advice on how best to proceed.

Heritage Centre

It was agreed that the Heritage Centre should be opened and cleaned on Sunday 3rd May 2015; all Cllr's are requested to attend.

The Docks

Cllr Lewis offered various suggestions on how best to keep the docks free from weeds and reduce the silt. Each option provided drawbacks and after debating how best to proceed, it was suggested that Severn Trent may be able to attend with a slurry lorry a couple of times per year. Cllr Lewis agreed to continue to investigate the most suitable option.

Newsletter

Copies of the Newsletter and flyers for the Conservation Workshop were handed out amongst the Cllr's for distribution around the village.

Chairman's Comments

Cllr Brothwell concluded the meeting by assuring the Cllr's that he would be happy to provide ongoing advice concerning planning issues and will remain a signatory on the Millennium Fund. Cllr Brothwell offered his future support with any social events such as Carols around the Tree etc and asked that Cllr Hardstaff chair the next meeting. Cllr Brothwell also suggested that the election of a new Chairman should be postponed till the elections have taken place in May.

Cllr Brothwell closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Date of next meeting: 7.30pm on 13th April 2015.

Signed.....
Chairman of the Parish Council

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