

LINBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting at Brooke Farm on Monday 8th February 2016

Present: Councillors D Ireland (Chairman), C Hardstaff (Vice Chairman), W Lewis, J Parker, S Molsom, E Tunstall and C Barnfather

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Colin Powell, Cllr Neil Clark, Liz Gretton (Clerk)

2.0 Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Hardstaff declared an interest in the Local Plan.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting

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

4.0 Matters Arising

4.1 Overspill Car Park

PCC cannot fund a sign. Consideration given to an overspill car park sign. Ownership of car park discussed. It is believed to belong to the developers of the flats. Cllr Barnfather to get some Land Registry details to ascertain who owns it. Option in the future that it could be registered as a community asset.

4.2 Football Club

Cllr Barnfather advised the Football Club is having a delivery of topsoil in about three weeks (200 loads). The Club is to notify Liz when details are known. Cllr Lewis requested road sweeper to keep area clean. Liz to write to Football Club.

4.3 Linby Docks Post

Ongoing.

4.4 Yellow Stone Quarry

Quarry up for auction this week.

4.5 New Audit Regime

Nothing to report

4.6 Heritage Centre

Heritage Centre is going to be zero rated this year. Option of renegotiating the lease for the Heritage Centre discussed. Liz to approach NCC to open discussions once we have ascertained from GBC if it is a registered asset.

4.7 School Crossing Patrol

School crossing post still open. There are currently some interested parties in the position.

5.0 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Leaflets out and distributed. Application submitted. Alison Gibson will be the main contact for this at Gedling Borough Council. Alison wants to know where consultation is to take place. Agreed that residents around Union Close to be included in the consultation. Extent of consultation into Vaughan Estate discussed. Agreed to do Papplewick Lane as far as Hayden Lane. The North side of Haydn Lane to be included, as well as the cul-de-sacs. Flats to be included in the consultation. Some early registrations of interest have been received. All details on the website.

6.0 Update on Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Lewis confirmed not much to report yet. Cllr Barnfather to confirm from county when he hears after budget on 25th February.

7.0 Parish Council Policies

To be discussed at next meeting. Health and Safety Policy required.

8.0 Bus Stops

Cllr Lewis commented that the bus stops do not really work as you cannot see if a bus is coming. He wants to introduce arrow slits into the wall to act as windows. Also, some form of bench would be beneficial for people using the bus stops. Cllr Ireland stated that there is not enough money in the budget at the moment but this can be reviewed in the future. Cllr Lewis will look at the costings. Cllr Molsom to get a quote for a company to check to see whether the internal roof covering to the bus stop (opposite Brooke Farm) is asbestos. Benches near Brooke Farm and Bottom Cross are to be removed due to wear and tear. The bench from the south side of the street will be relocated North side of the street.

9.0 Planning

Barristers letter still being completed. Draft letter to be sent out for comment to all Cllrs.

10. Correspondence Received

All relevant correspondence was forwarded to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

11.0 Funding Update

Cheques signed:-

20/01/16	NALC – Annual Subscription	£64.46
08/02/16	Two Little Fishes – NP tab on web	£50.00
08/02/16	Cllr Ireland – NP Leaflets printing	£48.00

Standing Orders:-

20/01/16	Two Little Fishes – Web maintenance	£25.00
01/02/16	E Gretton – Wages & Expenses	£242.86

Receipts:

01/02/16	VAT Reclaim	£497.01
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Co-op Account Balance:	£10,901.31
HSBC Account Balance:	£154.19

11.1 Any Other Business relating to Finance

11.1a Precept

The precept was formally agreed by all Councillors and Form C was signed by Cllrs Ireland, Hardstaff and Lewis. The Clerk to send off the Form to Sue Healey at GBC.

11.1b New Auditor Appointed

It was agreed that Barrie Woodcock would audit the Linby Parish Council accounts this year, at a cost of £34.25 per hour plus travel costs if required.

12.0 Any Other Business

12.1 Village Ladies Quiz – 13th May

It is the night before the Barn Dance, so Barn Dance preparation to be on the Wednesday/Thursday evenings. Cost of quiz £15. Liz to forward application form to Carol Spencer.

12.2 Beacon to Commemorate Queens 90th Birthday

Cllr Hardstaff confirmed that beacon to be provided on Stanker Hill on 21st April.

12.3 Probation Service

Cllr Lewis met with Probation Service today. Litter picking top of Linby Trail discussed. Clearing out Linby Docks also discussed. He has concerns about docks because it is close to road; also the ditch down to Papplewick. He said ‘yes’ to litter pick on footpath. He did seem keen to help out in some way. Issues with criminal records and use of toilet facilities discussed. Liz to email Dave Elson and Brooke Farm to see whether their WC facilities can be used. Community placement work provision agreement to be filled in. Cllr Lewis to fill in as far as he can, and Liz to fill in the rest.

12.4 Invoice

Cllr Lewis tabled invoice from Gedling - £429 for lighting at Christmas. Invoice queried Christmas Tree - £259, lighting £170. GBC will send a new Invoice with the Christmas Tree itemised so that we can let Horse and Groom have a copy

12.5 Barrels Planting

Cllr Lewis – planting of barrels discussed. Barrels to be replaced before being planted. Cllr Lewis to organise. Planting to be red, white and blue.

12.6 Barn Dance

Cllr Ireland raised the Barn Dance. Ticket prices agreed at £15 per person for food and band and entry. Expected capacity around 300.

12.7 Vintage Tea Party

Vintage Tea Party discussed – Hanson House: idea is of a party for the villagers rather than a fund-raising event as such. Suggested date 17th July. Liz to contact Hanson House for availability.

12.8 Footpath Slabs

Footpath slabs at end of row of cottages – option of patch repair to worst areas to be looked at, with either a new sand bed or mortar base. All York stone slab footpath areas belong to the PC. Date for options of patch repairs to worst affected areas to be looked at. Cllr Molsom to get quotes for footpath repairs and calculate a typical metre square rate for future renewals, to give an idea going forward.

Cllr Ireland closed the meeting at 21:05.

Date of next meeting Monday 14th March 2016 at 7.30pm

Signed.....

Chairman of the Parish Council

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Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council