

LINBY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting at Brooke Farm, Linby on Monday 13th
June 2016

Present: Councillor's D Ireland (Chairman) C Hardstaff (Vice Chairman) W Lewis, E Tunstall, N Clark, S Molsom, J Parker, Cllrs C Barnfather and C Powell and the Clerk.

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Cllr B Andrews

2.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Cllr Hardstaff declared an interest in the Local Plan

3.0 Approval of the Minutes – 13th May 2016

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

4.0 Matters Arising

None

5.0 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Cllr Ireland advised all residents in the Parish had received a questionnaire and 8 had been returned so far. She advised that the Open Day on 5th June was poorly attended by around 10 people, this could have been due to the good weather. The main issue people were concerned with was traffic. Cllr Ireland advised she has emailed key stakeholders including Ashfield District Council, Gedling Borough Council, The Environment Agency, Clive Wood at Highways, Jason Morden, Conservation Officer and Roberta Norris has contacted Co-op. D Ireland to contact Strata Homes, David Wilson Homes, and Brooke Farm. Cllr Hardstaff confirmed she had contacted Sherwood House. D Ireland advised she will keep a log of all email responses. D Ireland advised she had finalised the funding application. There is a possibility to apply for further funding since the homes in Linby will be increased by over 500. D Ireland to contact Locality for advice. D Ireland advised she will hold a stand advertising the NP at the Village Fete at Papplewick Hall on Saturday 18th June. D Ireland to contact Stephen Walker at Papplewick PC regarding joining resources, since the Consultation Statement can be generic for both parishes.

6.0 Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Lewis advised everything is going well. He advised the bank will need cutting again in July, the Island needs to be topped which is a major job, but the Lengthsman is happy to do it. The new posts around the docks need painting as does the bus shelter. Cllr Tunstall advised of the weeds opposite Linby House, at the bus stop and coming up through the pavements.

7.0 Bus Stop – Monthly Inspection Report

Cllr Molsom advised the inspection had been carried out with no action required.

8.0 Footpath Repair (Main Street – End of Cottages) – Update

Cllr Lewis advised the footpath repair is booked in for July. Cllr Ireland advised the loose slab on the route to school needs to be fixed. Cllr Lewis to pursue.

9.0 Health & Safety Policy / Risk Assessments

Cllr Clark advised he had been liaising with a Health & Safety contact at work who advised the PC should concentrate on matters that the PC are directly involved in such as the Lengthsman or anyone working in the village on behalf of the PC, or the Parish Councillors themselves. D Ireland advised the Lengthsman conducts his own risk assessments and has his own public liability insurance as confirmed by the Ravenshead Clerk. Cllr Clark to compile a list of jobs performed by the Councillors around the Village and distribute to the PC. Cllr Clark to also look at the NALC Health & Safety policy. The PC advised acquiring High Vis jackets and road signs.

10.0 Heritage Centre Dates for Opening

August 7th opened provisionally for an Arts Demonstration – Cllrs Parker and Lewis.

September 4th opened generally – Cllr Lewis and one other tbc

The Clerk to contact NCC to find out whether the Heritage Centre is Leasehold or Freehold, and to renew the PC's rental agreement. The PC to continue to look at registering the Heritage Centre as an asset of community value.

11.0 Planning

Cllr Ireland advised she had been in contact with Gedling Borough Council regarding the surface water at the Strata Homes site. She received a response to say that in order to make the final drainage connection they need to remove more of the existing hedgerows, and are currently liaising with the landowners. The PC were concerned about the hedgerows and want assurances that a new hedgerow will be planted.

Cllr Ireland advised the Land North of Papplewick Lane is out for consultation. She advised she went to London with Roberta Norris, Mark Spencer and Ben Bradley to meet with the Housing & Planning Minister Brandon Lewis to discuss the planning issues at Land North of Papplewick Lane and how it has gone from a strategic site to a non-strategic site. Cllr Ireland commented on the difficulty of preparing a neighbourhood plan when the PC are being left in the dark. Cllr Ireland advised she had left Brandon Lewis' Planning Officer with a lot of information to look at and would wait for a response. Cllr Ireland advised she had spoken to Rob Hughes, Planning Consultant and would like to know how much it would cost for him to look at Land North of Papplewick Lane and whether the additional houses are legally sound. Cllr Ireland advised the PC need his level of expertise. The PC agreed to look at the cost for this.

12.0 Correspondence Received

All relevant correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting.

13.0 Funding Update

13.1 Current Bank Balances

Co-op £16,514.94
HSBC - £154.19

13.2 Cheques for Approvals

Date	C h q No.	Amount	Payable to
13/06/16	300890	£451.05	AON (Insurance)
13/06/16	300891	£160.00	Nottingham Printing (NP Questionnaires)
13/06/16	300892	£204.10	D Ireland Expenses (NP – Various)
13/06/16	300893	£18.24	E Gretton NP Wages (June Meeting)
13/06/16	300894	£43.71	W Lewis Expenses (Petrol & Cleaning products)
13/06/16	300895	£78.00	Malfords (Weed Killer)
	TOTAL	955.10	

Date	C h q No.	Amount	Payable to
20/05/16	S/Order	£31.00	Two Little Fishes
01/06/16	S/Order	£253.78	E Gretton
TOTAL		£284.78	

13.3 HSBC Brownfield 1st Account to Close

Cllr Ireland and Cllr Lewis signed a letter to close the Brownfield 1st Account with immediate effect.

13.4 AOB relating to Finance

Cllr Ireland advised all signatories and the Clerk to go to HSBC in Nottingham on 11th July 2016 to open a new account.

14.0 AOB

14.1 Snowdrops

Cllr Ireland advised a resident had asked if the red tape around the snowdrops could be removed due to its appearance. Cllr Lewis advised the red tape is there to protect the snowdrops from being damaged and agreed to look at the cost in replacing with something more attractive.

14.2 Thank You Letters

Cllr Hardstaff asked the Clerk to send a letter of thanks to the Young Farmers for their help in cleaning up the village.

The Clerk to also send a letter of thanks to Howard Marshall for road sweeping throughout the village.

Cllr Ireland closed the meeting at 9.10pm

Date of next meeting Monday 11th July 2016

Signed.....

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Chairman of the Parish Council
Council

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Vice-Chairman of the Parish
Council