

LINBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting at Brooke Farm, Linby on Monday 8th October 2018 commencing at 7:30pm

Present: Cllrs D Ireland, E Tunstall, S Molsom, N Clark, W Lewis, J Parker and the Clerk.
Cllr C Barnfather, Reverend T Raaff

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Cllr C Hardstaff

Cllr C Powell

2.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

None

3.0 Approval of the minutes from the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by Cllr's D Ireland and E Tunstall

4.0 Matters Arising

4.1 Telephone Box lettering

Cllr Ireland to pursue

4.2 Ditch at Black Pad

Clerk to chase NCC re: dredging ditch

5.0 Open Forum

Reverend Raaff attended the meeting to discuss the PC's advertising policy and to understand why the PC requested the Alpha Course banner be removed from the railings at Hanson House. He advised advertising in the noticeboards has not proved to be effective, but the banners have been. Cllr Ireland advised the PC feel that the large banners urbanise the conservation area and the PC want to preserve and protect the village. She advised that the PC could not dictate what people advertise on their own property, however she hoped that people would understand and support the policy. She advised the PC would have no objections to advertising the banner at the layby between Linby and Papplewick, as this is outside of the conservation area yet still within the Parish and would still be visible. Reverend Raaff advised he would be happy to advertise at the layby.

6.0 Traffic & Road Safety including Lorry Watch update

6.1 Lorry Watch - carried forward to the Spring

6.2 Main street crossing - Cllr Ireland advised of an email received from a parent at Linby School expressing her concerns with crossing Main Street. The Clerk advised her that the PC employed a Traffic Consultant to identify some solutions that address the issues with traffic in the village. She advised that creating a crossing area which compliments the village is one of the suggestions put forward to Cllr Barnfather for the Highways Schemes. The Clerk advised the parent to contact Cllr Barnfather.

6.3 Parking on footpaths – Cllr Clark advised of a parent who parks their large 4x4 vehicle on the stone footpaths outside of Linby Cottage. He advised all four wheels are on the footpath, and pedestrians are required to walk into the busy road in order to get around the vehicle. Cllr Ireland advised this is a criminal offence and requested the Clerk to contact Mr Conidi at Linby School. Cllr Barnfather advised that if this is a regular occurrence, the PC should contact Police Inspector Steve O'Neill to request that a PCSO attend the area.

7.0 Neighbourhood Plan

The minutes of the September NP Meeting were approved and signed by Cllr Ireland. The Parish Council agreed to submit the Plan to Gedling Borough Council to undertake Regulation 16. The Clerk to contact Alison Gibson at GBC to request a timetable of when they will undertake Regulation 16 and appoint an Examiner. Cllr Ireland advised she hoped the Plan will be adopted by the end of March 2019.

8.0 Update on Lengthsman Scheme

Cllr Lewis advised the Lengthsman will return to work on 15th October. Outstanding jobs include decorating the Heritage Centre, painting the Pitwheel, fence repairs and weed killing at Waterloo Island.

Cllr Ireland asked Cllr Barnfather if the lengthsman hours for next year could be reviewed due to the size the Parish is growing. Cllr Barnfather advised the Clerk send him a request via email. Cllr Lewis advised that St Albans hasn't yet used any of their hours. The Clerk to pursue.

9.0 Highways Matters

The Clerk to chase Highways re: the overgrown vegetation on Waterloo Island

10.0 Perching posts in Bus Stops

No updates

11.0 Bench at Linby Meadow

Cllr Lewis advised the bench at the top of Linby Meadow needs replacing. It was agreed to discuss a replacement in the next financial year.

12.0 PC Mower

Cllr Lewis advised of an email he had received from Howard Marshall thanking the PC for the work they put in to the upkeep of the village, and that as an opportunity to assist their cause, he would swap the PC's old mower for a new John Deere X166R mower for the sum of £1,000.00. The PC discussed the costs of the repairs and maintenance the mower will need over the next few years and agreed to take up the offer. The PC agreed to use the funds they have raised from the Open Gardens Event and the profits from the upcoming Bonfire Event. Cllr Barnfather offered to assist the PC and agreed to contribute £500.00 towards the new mower. The PC thanked Cllr Barnfather for his support. The Clerk to email Howard Marshall.

13.0 Docks Walls – Installation of Stone/Cast Iron Post

Cllr Lewis advised installing a black and white post and attaching reflectors on it. Cllr Ireland advised putting reflectors around the docks posts. Cllr Molsom agreed to pursue.

14.0 Bus Stop monthly inspection report

Cllr Lewis advised the inspection has been carried out with no action required.

15.0 The Heritage Centre & Linby Meadow Lease update

Cllr Barnfather advised the purchase has been agreed in principle but will need to be approved by the Policy Committee. Cllr Barnfather to keep the PC updated.

16.0 Bottom Cross Repairs

No further updates. Clerk to chase Historic England.

17.0 Lamp Post Poppies

The Clerk advised she was unable to purchase any further lamp post poppies due to a nationwide shortage.

18.0 PC to discuss purchasing a wreath for Armistice Day

The PC resolved to purchase a wreath. Clerk to pursue.

19.0 Bonfire Event - Update from Representatives

Cllr Lewis asked for volunteers on the night. He requested the Clerk contact Papplewick PC to confirm their availability.

20.0 Correspondence Received

All correspondence had been circulate to the PC prior to the meeting.

Cllr Ireland advised she and the Clerk will attend an event on Local Government Re-organisation at County Hall on Tuesday 23rd October.

The Clerk received an email from Linby Colliery Football Club advising that the pitch widening is now complete and invited the PC to their opening ceremony on 13th October.

21.0 Planning Applications including update on wall at 30 Main Street

The Clerk reported she had received a letter from GBC advising of a retrospective planning application for the wall at 30 Main Street (Reference 2018/0944). The letter requested the PC to view the documents online, however, there were no documents found. Clerk to pursue.

Cllr Ireland advised that two residents have been told by the new Conservation Officer that slim-fit double glazed windows in a Listed building will not be approved. Cllr Ireland advised these have previously been approved by GBC. Cllr Barnfather agreed to pursue.

Cllr Molsom advised of plastic double glazed windows recently installed at Sherwood Cottages on Main Street. The PC advised the cottages were in the conservation village and were not in keeping with the area. The Clerk to contact GBC to ascertain whether a planning application had been submitted.

22.0 Funding Update

22.1 Finance Report - *The Finance Report was circulated to the PC prior to the meeting*

Current Account: £5,147.26

Savings Account: £18,599.83

Payments Made:

All payments made by bank transfer unless otherwise stated.

Date	Details	Amount
06/09/2018	Robert Shacklock – Repairs to dock	£150.00
06/09/2018	W Lewis – Expenses for petrol & other	£66.94
18/09/2018	GBC – Trade sweeping for September	£36.47
18/09/2018	Royal Life Saving Society – Donation for defibrillator training	£25.00
01/10/2018	E Gretton – Sept wages (includes NP work)	£456.75
	TOTAL	£735.16

Receipts

Date	Details	Amount
04/09/2018	Donation towards Open Gardens event – resident	£30.00
04/09/2018	Donation towards Open Gardens event – resident	£100.00
	TOTAL	£130.00

22.2 Payments for Approval

Details	Amount
W Lewis – Petrol expenses	£14.15
P Newman – Strimming	£135.00
E Gretton – Reimburse for minute paper	£20.09

22.3 CIL Update

None

23.0 Councillor's Reports

23.1 War Memorial Dedication

The Clerk advised the PC of the War Memorial dedication in Papplewick on Friday 9th November at 12:30pm.

23.2 Village Clean Up

Cllr Lewis asked for assistance in emptying the barrels in the village, cutting the overgrown branches on Church Lane and a litter pick throughout the village. All available Councillors to meet at 10am on Sunday 14th October.

23.3 Christmas Lights installation

Cllr Lewis asked for assistance in installing the Christmas lights. All available Councillors to meet on 25th November. He advised the Christmas tree will arrive at the end of October.

23.4 Open Gardens Guidelines

Cllr Lewis circulated the Open Gardens guidelines prior to the meeting. The PC approved the guidelines, the Clerk to keep on file. Cllr Lewis advised he will create guidelines for the Carols around the Christmas Tree Event.

23.5 Trade Sweeping

Cllr Lewis asked if the road sweeper has been out to the village during September. The Clerk to contact GBC to follow up and also to request a road sweep at the end of October.

23.6 Cleaning the Stone Footpaths

Cllr Lewis asked whether using soap powder on the stone footpaths would be safe for animals. Cllr Molsom agreed to pursue.

The meeting ended at 21:20

Date of Next Meeting: 12th November 2018

Signed
Chair of the Parish Council

Signed
Vice-Chair of the Parish Council