

LINBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held Wednesday 21st September 2022 held at Brooke Farm

Present: Councillor's D Ireland (Chair), C Hardstaff (Vice-Chair), W Lewis, E Tunstall, J Parker, C Harrison and the Clerk.

1.0 One-minute silence for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

A one-minute silence was observed to commemorate the late Queen, Elizabeth II

2.0 Apologies for Absence

Cllr S Molsom

Cllrs C Barnfather (GBC, NCC), M Smith (GBC), S Murray (GBC)

3.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Cllr C Hardstaff declared a pecuniary interest in the Top Wighay development within the Strategic Plan for the Greater Nottingham Area*

4.0 Approval of the minutes

The minutes of the July meeting were approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Vice-Chair Cllr C Hardstaff and Cllr W Lewis

5.0 Matters arising

None

6.0 Open Forum

None

7.0 Antisocial Behaviour in the parish

7.1 Group of cars racing at Junction 27

Cllr Ireland reported she witnessed a group of cars driving dangerously at Junction 27 on Monday evening around 9pm. Clerk to contact Inspector Mark Stanley and Chris Barnfather to find out if the injunction is still in place.

7.2 Stolen plants

Cllr Lewis reported plants have been stolen from some of the tubs and hayfeeders in the village. Clerk to inform Inspector Mark Stanley.

8.0 Traffic & Road Safety

8.1 Linby Traffic Study update

Cllr Ireland reported Chris Bancroft will arrange for the traffic counters to be installed this week. The area covered will be Wighay Road, Linby Lane, Annesley Road (west of the A611 roundabout), A611 (south of the roundabout) and Annesley Road (south of the Wighay Road roundabout), and also at Waterloo Road (south of the Wighay Road roundabout). Alongside Personal Injury Accident records for the immediate surrounding area as well as extending the accident study area to cover five years and the section between Linby and the Forest Lane/Moor Road crossroads.

The data collected should be available in the next few weeks. Once the data is collected it will be analysed against the data from 2017. It should give a clear picture of how all the allocated and proposed new developments are going to impact on the traffic around the area. When the traffic report from Ashfield District Council becomes available to the public, it can be forwarded to Chris Bancroft to refer to.

9.0 141 Bus Service Update

The Clerk reported Nottinghamshire County Council have appointed Stagecoach as the new operator. The bus service will initially run for 12 months with a view to be extended for a further 12 months.

10.0 Footpath leading up to St Michael's Church – Update

Clerk to forward photographs of the footpath to Cllr Barnfather.

11.0 Interactive Speed Sign, Linby Lane – Update

Awaiting repair.

12.0 Dam in Stream - update

No further updates

13.0 CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy)

13.1 Restoring the footpath in front of the Horse & Groom Pub

The footpath is now complete. The PC reported they are very happy with the work by RTB Groundworks. Cllr Ireland advised she has sent photographs to Jason Morden at NCC.

13.2 Funding Update

The Clerk confirmed the grant from the Local Communities Fund has been approved and payment should be received soon.

Cllr Ireland reported the first instalment of CIL (£7,615.87) from the land north of Papplewick Lane development should be received by the end of September. The second instalment will be paid at the end of March next year.

13.3 Next Projects

Cllr Lewis advised he has acquired two quotes from RTB Groundworks to restore areas of footpath. The area near the Village green/towards the school will cost £14,065.60. Further materials would not be needed as some of the stone that was previously lifted can be utilised here. The other area is the strip of footpath in front of the docks - outside of Brooke Farm and along the slip road. The footpaths here are regularly driven on by lorries and cars and some of the slabs have completely lifted. This area will cost £29,028.00, and some further material will be needed. Cllr Lewis advised cast iron posts can be installed either side of the driveways to stop vehicles from mounting the kerbs which will incur additional costs.

The PC agreed to pursue the area of footpath near the Village Green this autumn if possible, and the larger section of footpath near the docks next year. Cllr Harrison enquired whether the footpath near the Village Green is the responsibility of Via and if so whether they would consider contributing towards the costs. Cllr Ireland agreed to take a photograph of the section and forward to the Clerk. The Clerk to contact Via.

Cllr Ireland advised of the area of grass that has been worn away near the Village Green. Cllr Lewis advised he will speak to the landowners regarding widening the path.

14.0 Lengthsman Scheme / Green Spaces Maintenance

Cllr Lewis reported the docks are looking untidy and will assist the lengthsman in thinning out the bullrushes and clearing the weeds. The Lengthsman has suggested that as the ground is shale, he will need to use a weed killer to completely remove the roots. He advised it will not be harmful to the fish or other wildlife. Cllr Lewis to discuss further with the Lengthsman.

Cllr Lewis advised of the poor state of the grass in the village. He advised he will scarify the whole village in sections, which will drag out all the weeds and moss, and then re-seed.

15.0 Middle Access

Cllr Ireland reported she has witnessed another large lorry entering the middle access and mounting the footpath and grass. She asked the PC to consider installing another flower planter on the other side, to narrow the entrance in order to stop larger vehicles from entering. She commented that the issue needs to be addressed before restoring the footpaths. The PC agreed to move the old planter from near Bottom Cross.

16.0 Heritage Centre

Cllr Lewis commented that a few wildflowers are starting to show, after the long and dry spell over the summer. The hedge is doing well. Cllr Tunstall advised the picnic bench is sinking due to the weight of the concrete. Cllr Lewis and Cllr Parker agreed to take a look.

17.0 Lights at Top Cross – Update

Cllr Lewis to pursue.

18.0 NALC – Civility and Respect Pledge & Dignity at Work Policy

The Parish Council agreed to sign the pledge and adopt the Dignity at Work Policy

19.0 Defibrillator maintenance – Update

The Clerk confirmed the Defibrillator is registered on the Circuit. The Clerk advised she has contacted the Althea Group re: servicing the defibrillator and will make further enquiries.

20.0 Purchasing new Lamp Post Poppies

Cllr Lewis requested 24 new lamp post poppies. The Clerk to place an order with the Royal British Legion.

21.0 Bonfire Event

Cllr Lewis advised a meeting will be arranged soon to finalise the details. The event is set for Saturday 5th November.

22.0 Correspondence

22.1 Letter from a resident regarding overgrown vegetation

A resident contacted the Parish Council to raise a concern regarding overgrown vegetation which is restricting traffic visibility to the roundabout. The Clerk replied to the resident requesting more information on the location.

22.2 Christmas Lights Certificate application

Cllr Lewis to send lamp post column numbers to the Clerk. Clerk to complete application and submit to Via.

23.0 Planning

23.1 Applications received

2022/0758 28 Church Lane, Linby

Proposal: Existing driveway wall to be raised in height by approx 475mm to a maximum of 1675mm & removal of conifer hedge. PC Comments: The wall should be built in stone, in keeping with the area. Outcome: "Refusal"

2022/0716TPO Spinnies, Linby Lane

Proposal: Reduction of Beech/Conifer Hedge and Felling of Ash Tree. PC Comments: No comment Outcome: "Trees in conservation area acceptable"

2022/0846 Linby House, Orchard Cottage, Linby Lane

Proposal: Retention of Patio (Retrospective) PC Comments: No comment. Outcome: "Unknown"

23.2 Hayden Lane application

No further updates

23.3 Kennels application

No further updates

23.4 S106 Update

The Clerk reported she has contacted Nottinghamshire County Council to find out whether the S106 educational contribution collected from the Wighay Road development and Papplewick Lane site has been spent and whether it has been allocated to the Hucknall area. The contribution for Primary Education is £1,140,000 and for Secondary Education is £17,260. The Clerk reported she has also contacted Audrey McDonald at the CCG to find out where the S106 contribution for Primary Healthcare has been expended. To date £95,629 collected. The Clerk to continue to pursue.

24.0 Funding Update

Bank Balances

Current: £10,571.35

CIL: £0.00

Savings: £18,381.67

Internal bank transfers

To pay for the footpath project, money was transferred from the Savings and CIL accounts into the current account:

30/08/22: £5,222.61 transferred from Savings account to current account

30/08/22: £5,917.39 transferred from CIL account to current account

Payments:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
13/07/2022	Birchover Reclamation Limited - Yorkstone for footpath	£4,560.00
19/07/2022	Birchover Reclamation Limited - Kerbstone for footpath	£900.00
20/07/2022	Furnitubes - Cast Iron Bollards for footpath	£835.20
20/07/2022	W Lewis - Petrol for mower	£26.48
20/07/2022	W Lewis - Compost	£5.28
01/08/2022	E Gretton - Jul wages & home office expenses	£531.05
04/08/2022	Gedling Borough Council - Trade sweep (July)	£41.16
04/08/2022	Malfords - Cut grass bank	£120.00
10/08/2022	Southern Electric - Heritage Centre Electricity	£46.59
30/08/2022	RTB Groundworks & Grab Hire Ltd - Groundworks, Footpath	£11,140.00
30/08/2022	W Lewis - Petrol for mower	£29.42
01/09/2022	E Gretton - Aug wages & home office expenses	£531.05
12/09/2022	Gedling Borough Council - Trade sweep (Aug)	£41.16
12/09/2022	W Lewis - Reimburse for petrol for mower	£29.27
	TOTAL	£18,836.66

Receipts:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
08/09/2022	HMRC - VAT Reclaim	£1,435.54
14/09/2022	Emma Hinchley - Purchase gazebo/marquee	£100.00
	TOTAL	£1,535.54

Payments for processing:

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Malfords – Cut grass bank	£120.00
E Gretton (Clerk) – Reimburse for Microsoft Subscription	£29.99
TOTAL	£149.99

25.0 Councillor's Reports

25.1 Carols around the Tree Concert

Cllr Lewis advised the Carols Concert is booked for Monday 12th December.

* 20:45, Cllr Hardstaff left the meeting prior to the PC discussing agenda item 26.1 "Top Wighay" as she declared a pecuniary interest.

26.1 Top Wighay

Cllr Ireland advised of the Greater Nottinghamshire Strategic Plan, and that an extended area of safeguarded land at Top Wighay is being brought forward for development. It shows an additional 640 houses will be built on the safeguarded land. This is in addition to the 805 houses already planned. The PC agreed for Hannah Barter, Planning Consultant to respond on their behalf.

27.0 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting is Monday 10th October 2022 commencing 7.30pm at Brooke Farm, Main Street, Linby.

The meeting ended at 20:55

Signed
Chair of the Parish Council

Signed
Vice-Chair of the Parish Council