

## HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2009 in the Hood Room of Haxey Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs. Allcock, Carlile, Cooke, J Eckhardt, Foreman, Knowles, D Lange, C Lindley, W H Lindley, Maw, Smedley & Whitehead.

Also Present: 1 resident.

Chairman: Cllr. Allcock presided.

36. To welcome Councillor Don Lange and for the new Councillor to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.  
On behalf of the Parish Council Cllr Allcock welcomed Cllr Lange who then came forward to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.
37. To receive apologies for absence.  
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Booth & Boor.
38. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009.  
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009 were approved as a correct record.  
**Proposed Cllr Eckhardt and seconded by Cllr C Lindley. All in favour.**
39. Declarations of Interest need to be remade and recorded in the minutes even if an interest has been declared in the register.  
The following declared a personal interest on agenda item 44 – Cllrs Foreman, Whitehead & W Lindley. Cllr Maw declared a personal interest in item 55.
40. To be notified of an application received for the Casual Vacancy and determine action to be taken.  
Notification has been received from NLC that a co-option can be undertaken to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council.  
The Clerk read out a letter received from Mrs Bloomfield asking for consideration to fill the vacancy. No other applications have been received therefore **Cllr Whitehead proposed that Mrs Bloomfield be co-opted onto the Council, seconded by Cllr Maw. All in favour. Clerk to inform Mrs Bloomfield.**
41. The following appeal has been received from NLC:  
**2008/1004** – planning permission to erect two short-wave amateur radio masts and aerials at Elm Lodge, 2 Hood Croft, Haxey – Inspectorate’s Ref: APP/Y2003/A-09/2097152/WF – the comments originally submitted by the Parish Council will be passed onto the Inspectorate and will be taken into account by the Inspector deciding the appeal.

**The following appeal decision has been received from NLC:**

Appeal ref: APP/Y2003/A/08/2086436 – appeal allowed for planning permission for a rear extension, bathroom, ensuite and dressing room at 1 Lowcroft Avenue, Haxey.

**The following planning application was received from NLC and discussed by Haxey Parish Council:**

- 2009/0081** – Mr R Plows, Rapsey, Uppertorpe Road, Westwoodside – planning permission to retain a conservatory. **Cllr Maw proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Smedley. All in favour.**
- 2009/0095** – Mrs E Siddal (deceased), 26 Nethergate, Westwoodside – planning permission to rebuild existing farmhouse, alterations to form barn conversion and erect one dwelling. The re-submission of the application showed a reduction in the number of dwellings to be built therefore **Cllr Maw proposed that the application be supported, seconded by Cllr Foreman. There are still concerns over the traffic flow and the bend the**

**development is located on, which needs further investigating by NLC. Comments to be added to the response form. 11 for, 1 abstention.**

**2009/0101** – Mr G Swinbourne, The Chestnuts, Brackenhill Road, East Lound – planning permission to erect a single storey extension to form ‘granny annexe’ (resubmission of 2008/0273). A letter supporting the development was received from Mr T Swinbourne, the father of the applicant explaining the reasons for the application and the amendments. This was circulated for all Cllrs to see. Due to the reduction in size of the proposed annexe **Cllr W Lindley proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Foreman. 11 for, 1 abstention.**

42. To receive the Clerk’s Report - an update on decisions taken at previous meetings and to consider further action.
- a) Clerk requested names of Cllrs who will be attending the Flood update meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup> to be held at Haxey Memorial Hall. Cllrs Allcock, Cooke & Carlile to attend. Clerk to forward information to NLC.
  - b) Low Burnham roads have been put forward on the ‘West Area’ wish list for surface dressing 2009/10. The programme should be available soon.
  - c) Notification received informing the Council that the owner of the hedge on Akeferry Road which needs pruning back has received a letter from NLC requesting this be carried out by the beginning of March, if not NLC will prune back the hedge and charge the owner.
  - d) Notification received informing the Council that NLC Planning are to investigate the Cove Farm Quarry with the complainant and the Northside ‘rockery’ verge is believed to be owned by the resident. Clerk to contact NLC Dave Sanderson and request that the Northside ‘highway / footpath’ be registered as an ancient highway.
  - e) Notification received from NLC that the rise in the road at Greenhill has a work ticket raised but due to winter maintenance programme it is unsure when this will be completed. The B1396 subsidence issue has been passed onto the Asset Management team at NLC who have carried out a survey on the highway network. It has been stated that this section of road is on the highway strengthening programme but not in the next financial year. Clerk to contact NLC Geoff Pople and Cllr Regan to ask that Akeferry Road be surveyed due to the extremely bad state of repair of the road.
  - f) The Clerk informed the Council of the ERNLLCA 2009 Annual Conference to be held at the Ropewalk, Barton. Anyone wishing to attend to inform the Clerk. Cllr Knowles to attend.
  - g) A request has been received for photographic evidence of the interior of the BT Kiosk located on High Street, Haxey. Clerk to inform BT that the interior is in need of cleaning to include the telephone, displays, windows and floor and the exterior requires painting.
43. To receive an update on the progress to create a Parish Plan.  
Cllr Smedley informed the Council of the Open Day dates and times and this information has been delivered to each household in the parish. At the event residents will be able to view the Housing and Land allocation documentation, area maps and plans and give their views on what they would like to have included in a Parish Plan.
44. To receive a report from the Land Working Party for information only on Allotments.  
Eight Contractors attended a meeting on February 10<sup>th</sup> where requirements were discussed and there was a site visit to one of the proposed sites. The LWP is now awaiting receipt of none binding costings and will then create a business plan for discussion at the next meeting.
45. To receive an update on the removal of the conifers at Dr Dysons Memorial.  
The 2 conifers have been removed by Viking Trees & Gardens. The Clerk wrote to and rang R Robinson several times to obtain a copy of the relevant Insurance documentation, but received no response. Clerk to inform the Solicitors of 59 High Street, Haxey of the removal.
46. To receive an update on the Award Map.  
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The Clerk informed the Council that an order has been placed for a copy of the map in CD format. Having spoken to NLC, Dave Sanderson he is willing to provide the Council with 3 paper copies.

The Clerk read out the costs for wrapping paper and boxes to store the original map as advised by Lincolnshire Archives.

Cllrs Maw & Carlile met with the Vicar to view the old documentation which includes the Award Map (in a tube), an 1803 Award book (in wooden box with padlocks), a Tithe book (in wooden box) and an assortment of minutes and rent books.

A working party consisting of Cllrs Knowles, Maw and Carlile will look into options regarding the preservation and display of all ancient and valuable Parish documentation. The Heritage Society to be contacted to ask their advice and further advice to be sought from either North Lincolnshire Council, a Museum or from the Lincoln Diocese.

47. To receive an update from Cllr C Lindley regarding the Parish Office.

Cllr C Lindley explained that things were moving but slowly. A site visit has been arranged for next week to look into the possibility of the gas meter having access via a lift up lid which would allow the cupboard to be relocated next to the meter box.

48. To receive an update on the sponsorship of the Low Burnham BT Kiosk.

The Clerk has received correspondence from the Low Burnham Village Centre stating that Mrs Channing would be willing to complete the contract to sponsor the Kiosk but has concerns over the payment method.

BT has stated that the contract and the cheque should be raised by the same person. It was suggested that Cllr Boor & Cllr Allcock visit Mrs Channing on a way to move forward.

49. To receive an update on the rising of the road at Greenhill and determine action required.

See Clerks Report.

50. To consider the tenders received for grass cutting for 2009 and decide which tender is to be accepted.

The Clerk read out the one tender received from Mr Munton of Cottage Gardens. **Cllr C Lindley proposed to accept the tender, seconded by Cllr W Lindley. All in favour.**

51. To consider producing a reprint of the Parish Paths Partnership 'Walks around the Parish' map.

Cllr Smedley has reviewed the map and has found it needs approximately 20 amendments. It was suggested that photographs from the Haxey Photographic competition be placed onto the maps. Costs have been obtained for the artwork and reproduction. Cllr Smedley to investigate the various grants available and report back to next meeting.

52. To receive a report from Cllr Knowles on the ERNLLCA meeting.

Cllr Knowles attended the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> February at Pittwood House. There was a presentation on Affordable Housing, there have been 79 built to date with a further 75 more to do. The Yorkshire & Humber Regional Assembly will be defunct as of the end of March.

This was then followed by an open forum discussing issues such as drainage, flooding and forthcoming training events. Anyone interested in training to view the website and then contact the Clerk.

53. To receive an update from Cllr Knowles on the Code of recommended practice on local authority publicity.

The consultation consists of 2 documents. 1988 (whole of lower levels of councils) & 2001 (London area only). The documents are virtually the same and Cllr Knowles suggested that the two be combined

into one. It was agreed to submit the response provided by Cllr Knowles. Clerk will submit. Cllr Allcock thanked Cllr Knowles.

54. To receive a report from Cllr Carlile & Cllr Maw on the Town and Parish Council Liaison meeting and a Flood Risk update.

The following issues were discussed:-

Local Development Framework – Housing and Employment Land Allocations Consultation document. The majority of new homes would be built in Scunthorpe and other Market Towns. The result of the consultation would be available mid to late 2010.

Planning the 2009/10 NLC budget and beyond - The Government expect Council Tax increases to be well below 5%.

Neighbourhood Action Teams – scrutiny review. Involvement of the public to assist in the Health of young people. Positive measures to protect the community and public services.

The Flood meetings will now be arranged and representation will be invited from Town & Parish Councils. The current budget for flood prevention will be maintained.

55. To discuss the Parish Councils response to the Housing and Land Allocations Consultation document and determine action required.

Cllr Maw declared a personal interest. The majority of new homes would be built in Scunthorpe and other Market Towns. For Haxey, Westwoodside, Graizelound, Low Burnham, East Lound and Haxey Carr, no new development areas have been proposed. The development limits have been redrawn and the only development will be infill within these boundaries.

Cllr Carlile thought the lack of development in the villages was too restrictive and there was some discussion about this. A meeting held with Westwoodside residents and NLC two years ago was attended by approximately 200 residents with the majority wanting no additional development in the area.

There will be some industrial development at Sandtoft aerodrome where the road infrastructure will need reviewing at the same time.

It was agreed that the Parish Council is generally content with the Plan as it stands and would wish to be kept informed of progress and involved in future consultation. The Parish Council would support any new Affordable Housing development if all the relevant criteria were met.

56. To receive comments on the proposed Haxey Parish Councils response to ‘Future Development of Doncaster Sheffield Airport to 2030 and determine action required.

Cllr Knowles reported that the expansion would be good for businesses and there was a proposed access road leading onto the M18 which would reduce congestion. All areas of conservation are covered in the summary document. The controlled airspace would be increased. It was agreed that the Clerk submit the completed questionnaire to the Airport on behalf of the Parish Council.

57. To discuss and agree to adopt the Complaints Procedure.

Cllr Carlile commented that it would be advisable to have an informal resolution in the first instance. Clerk to amend and procedure to be reviewed at the next meeting.

58. To receive an update on the progress of the Website and determine further action required.

The recent meeting held discussed the Community aspect of the Website and getting more participation from parishioners. Clerk to be trained on the administration of uploading the agenda and minutes onto the site and other relevant documentation such as ERNLLCA newsletters.

Associations within the parish to be able to contact the Website with regard to ongoing projects and Working Party reports to be placed onto the Website to keep the parishioners informed.

The Website to be advertised in the next edition of the Arrow.

59. To determine the position with regard to our Rental Agreement with the recently deceased tenant Mr P Taylor and decide action to be taken.  
The property owned by the late Mr Taylor which is surrounded by rental land owned by the Parish Council is thought to have a preservation order issued by English Heritage. Drewery & Wheeldon & Mr Fullwood (solicitor) are to be engaged for advice on terminating existing rental agreement.
60. To consider the quote for the removal of the old broken seat on Doncaster Road and the erection of the new one.  
**It was proposed by Cllr Maw and seconded by Cllr Eckhardt to accept the quote of £250 received from Mr R Richardson. All in favour.**
61. To consider a grant for the Haxey Parish Allotment Holders Association.  
Item to be deferred to the next meeting to allow for information on the Associations bank details and a budget projection.
62. To review the position of Chairman and Vice Chairman in accordance with minutes 112 and 113 of 27<sup>th</sup> May 2008.  
Cllr Allcock stated that he does wish to stand down as Chairman. No one responded to request re: Vice-Chairman or Chairman.
63. To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.  
Churchyard (burial land)  
Village of the Year update  
Westwoodside Playing Fields future development update  
Correspondence - reply system  
- visibility  
Parish Paths Maps  
Hanging Baskets
64. To consider the following accounts and any received after the agenda has been sent out and before the next meeting.

| Payee  | Details                | Cheque Number | Amount £        |
|--|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| D Hotson   | Salary                 | 1460          | 587.46          |
| D Hotson   | Expenses               | 1460          | 150.15          |
| H M Revenue & Customs                                      | NI Employer            | 1461          | 19.34           |
| H M Revenue & Customs                                      | NI Employee            | 1461          | 16.62           |
| D Knowles  | Travel expenses        | 1462          | 19.96           |
| R Allcock  | Travel expenses        | 1463          | 20.54           |
| Johnston Publishing  | Tender – Grass cutting | 1464          | 97.98           |
| BT Payment Services  | Telephone              | DD            | 16.00           |
| Isle Publications  | Arrow – March edition  | 1465          | 80.00           |
| Viking Trees & Gardens                                     | Removal of conifers    | 1466          | 360.00          |
| Orange   | Telephone              | DD            | 34.29           |
| Forward Step   | Website updates        | 1467          | 100.00          |
| <b>Total expenditure for February 24<sup>th</sup> 2009</b> |                        |               | <b>1,502.34</b> |

**Proposed by Cllr Eckhardt, seconded Cllr C Lindley - Unanimous that the accounts be paid.**

.....Chairman