

HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 24th June 2008 in the Hood Room of Haxe Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs. Allcock, Boor, Booth, Carlile, Cooke, J Eckhardt, Foreman, Knowles, C Lindley, W H Lindley, Maw, Moyle, Smedley and Whitehead.

Also Present: 2 representatives from the Axholme Camera Club & 14 residents.

Chairman: Cllr. Allcock presided.

138. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Hailstone.

139. To Confirm the Minutes of the Meetings Held on Tuesday 27th May 2008.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 27th May 2008 were approved as a correct record by Cllrs. Boor and Maw. The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27th May 2008 were approved as a correct record by Cllrs. Maw and Moyle. **Unanimous Support Approval.**

140. To receive a presentation by a representative of the Axholme Camera Club on the proposal to run a photographic competition.

The Chairman requested that the meeting be closed, proposed Cllr Smedley and seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.

Mr Peter Webster, Treasurer of the Axholme Camera Club stated that the Club will organise the competition by setting up a subcommittee with a representative from the Parish Council. The competition will be split into 3 categories, Adults, Children and Camera Club members and will focus on village events that happen throughout the year. If the competition goes well this could be an annual event. It was commented on that this would be a good event to get the community involved. The Camera Club suggested a £50 prize for each category with an overall prize of £50 which would not include the Camera Club category. It was suggested that Cllr Smedley should be the Parish Council representative and he agreed to this.

The Parish Council meeting was reopened at this point.

It was resolved that a donation of £250 be given to the Camera Club to include the prize money, framing and expenses. Proposed Cllr Moyle, seconded by Cllr Maw. **All in favour.**

The Chairman suggested that agenda item 143 be brought forward to allow residents to address this issue. Proposed by Cllr Booth, seconded by Cllr Maw. All in favour.

143. To discuss the letters received regarding a trial bike course to the east of Graizelound Fields Road and to decide on action to be taken.

There were a large number of residents present at the Parish Council meeting with concerns regarding this agenda item. The Clerk read out the letters received from Mr Martin, Mrs Boorman and Mr Tillen regarding their concerns over the trial bike course. Cllr Allcock stated that the Parish Council would consider the resident's complaints and support them whenever legally possible.

The Chairman requested that the meeting be closed to allow members of the public to contribute to the discussion. Proposed Cllr Booth, seconded Cllr Maw. All in favour.

Mr Martin informed the Council that he has been in touch with Ian Cawsey MP who has been in touch with North Lincolnshire Council Planning enforcement officer who is issuing a letter stating that a planning application must be submitted in 10 days. Ian Cawsey is also in contact with NLC Environmental team. The police have visited the site and are monitoring the access which is either via the owners garden or the road way. Mr Martin also informed the Council that the noise levels have been monitored and whereas the normal level of acceptable noise is 83 decibels the trial bikes were measuring 130 decibels. This has been ongoing now intermittently for over 2 years.

Mrs Boorman informed the Council that the land is currently agricultural and would a change of use be required for this activity.

Mr Peter Norris informed the Council that he lives further away and due to the removal of the silencers on the trial bikes he is able to hear it in his living room with the television on. It was agreed that the noise pollution was unacceptable.

Another issue that was raised was the burning of manure at the same location and there was a discussion about the legality of this operation.

The Parish Council meeting was reopened at this point.

It was resolved that the Clerk contact North Lincolnshire Council Environmental department to ask that the noise pollution issue and the burning of the manure be investigated. The Clerk also to ascertain from North Lincolnshire Council what the planning law is regarding the use of agricultural land as a trial bike track and what the planning regulations are if the track is used by family and friends. Also, the Parish Council need to know the position if the proposal is for a commercial operation. The Clerk is also to contact PC Bill Cook to ask if it is possible for a more visible police presence around the area to discourage any bikes that are travelling on the roadway to the land in question.

The Chairman assured the residents that if they write in when a planning application is received their concerns will be given every consideration.

141. To Receive the Decisions Made by North Lincolnshire Council and to Consider Planning Applications:

The following planning applications have been refused planning permission:

2008/0345 - Mr S Clark, High Burnham Farm, High Burnham – to erect a new grain store, garaging, workshop and store (including demolition of existing derelict sheds).

The following planning applications have been granted planning permission:

2008/0703 - Mr Espin-Bradley, 16 Mill Lane, Westwoodside – erect a first floor extension to side of property.

2008/0610 - Mrs J Sewell, Plots 51 & 52 Craycroft Road, Westwoodside – erect two dwellings. (Outline PP).

2008/0656 - Mr Taylor, 5 Craycroft Road, Westwoodside – erect a single storey side extension.

2008/0585 - Mr D Spry, 17 Low Street, Haxey – erect a first floor extension to create extra living accommodation in roof space with new dormer windows and velux roof lights.

The following planning applications were received from NLC and discussed by Haxey Parish Council:

2008/0787 - Mr S Clark, High Burnham Farm, High Burnham, Haxey - planning permission to erect a new grain store, garaging, workshop and store (including demolition of existing derelict sheds). (Resubmission of PA/2008/0345). **It was resolved to support the proposal. The height of the building has been reduced and supporting documentation requested has been submitted to North Lincolnshire Council, although it is noted that the Parish Council did not received these documents. – Proposed Cllr Moyle, seconded Cllr Boor – Unanimous Support Approval.**

2008/0833 - Mr & Mrs Elliott, 1 Thinholme Lane, Westwoodside - planning permission to erect single storey extensions to sides and front of existing bungalow, and provide new external brick skin to front elevation. **It was resolved not to support. This will be over development of the site. Proposed by Cllr Moyle, seconded Cllr Booth – 1 against.**

2008/0766 - Mrs J Parker, 65 High Street, Haxey - planning permission to erect a single storey annex extension. **It was resolved not to support. This is an over development and will not be in keeping with the street scene. Proposed by Cllr Booth, seconded Cllr Knowles – 2 against.**

2008/0823 - Mr S Rickett, 1 Lowcroft Avenue, Haxey - planning permission to erect a single storey rear extension. **It was resolved not to support. 1 letter of objection was read out at the meeting. There will be a loss of light into the kitchen at No. 3 the property at the side of the proposed application area. Proposed Cllr Moyle, seconded Cllr Boor.**

2008/0877 - Mr B Brooks, Hainstock Cottage, Owston Ferry Road, Low Burnham – planning permission to install 2 dormer windows. **It was resolved to support the proposal – Proposed Cllr Maw, seconded Cllr Moyle – Unanimous Support Approval.**

2008/0860 - Mr D Charlton, Nr Langholme Farm House, access road to Langholme, Westwoodside – application for determination of the requirement for prior approval for steel framed agricultural building. **It was resolved to support the proposal – Proposed Cllr Boor, seconded Cllr Booth – Unanimous Support Approval.**

142. To receive the Clerk's Report - an update on decisions taken at previous meetings and to consider further action.

- a) A letter was received from NLC Active Choices, Active Futures advertising the launch events for Axholme North.
- b) Decision received from North Lincolnshire Council stating that the Traffic Regulation Order for High Street, Haxey will not be implemented.
- c) Letter received from NLC informing the Parish Council that all residents affected by the street naming of Cross Hill / Uppertorpe Road had been contacted and are in favour of changing the name to Uppertorpe Road. The Parish Council have responded supporting the views of the residents. Majority in favour not unanimous.
- d) Westwoodsiders Neighbourhood Watch group have written to the Parish Council asking for permission to erect the 'Smart water' signage and for assistance in putting these up. Clerk to write back and ask that they deal with North Lincolnshire Council regarding the approval for the erection of the signage.
- e) Donation request received from Haxey Methodist Church regarding the forthcoming Centenary. Place on the agenda for the next meeting. Clerk to request a copy of the latest statement of accounts.
- f) Student questionnaire received on how the Parish Council deal with planning issues with NLC. Chair and Clerk to complete.
- g) Response received regarding the renting of the Methodist Church Hall stating that the hall is to be sold and is not available for renting.
- h) Zurich Municipal change of claims process information.
- i) Letter received from Zurich Municipal informing the Parish Council to send pictures of the conifer trees and to inform the

insurance company if there has been any subsidence in the area. If the trees need to be removed then the insurance does not cover this. Clerk to send the relevant details to the Insurance Company and to ask if an inspector could come and investigate the site and the integrity of the extension built.

- j) Information received on the next Police Authority Neighbourhood Panel meeting. Information passed to Cllr Booth and notices to place on the noticeboards.

144. To be informed of letters received regarding the rental of Parish Land and to consider action required.

The Clerk read out the letter received from Mr & Mrs White and Mr & Mrs Hather regarding rental of Parish Land. The land must be advertised for rental in the local newspaper before a decision is made. Clerk to write and inform both parties. Cllr Booth requested that the Clerk should write to the solicitor Mr Fullwood and ask for an appointment to discuss the progress on updating the rental agreements.

145. To discuss the rental options for a Parish Council office.

As detailed in the Clerks Report the Methodist Church Hall is not available to rent. Currently the Parish Council rent an office at the Haxey Memorial Hall. The only key holders are the Parish Council and the Librarian who has stated that all mail could be kept secure. **It was resolved that** the Parish Council pay a sum of £47.90 to have the mail redirected to the Haxey Memorial Hall from 1 Eastmoor Villas, Epworth Road, Haxey. **Proposed by Cllr Booth, seconded by Cllr Maw. Unanimous support approval.**

146. To receive a report on the Over 70's party.

Cllr Eckhardt informed the Council that the party had gone really well. Out of 200 invitations sent out 116 people attended. The South Axholme Singers were very good as was the food which was provided by Sandra Bishop of Occasions. The Hall was free. Mrs Tasker won the prize for the oldest lady and the oldest gent was won by Mr Emery. Cllr Allcock presented the prizes. The travel expenses are still outstanding and will be given to the Parish Council once received. The guests enjoyed the presence of the Vicar who was able to talk to each one in turn. The event has been booked again for next year. Cllr Allcock thanked Cllr Eckhardt for all the hard work that she has undertaken to organise the event.

147. To be notified of the position regarding the June Newsletter and seek agreement to go to print.

The newsletter will be issued in July. All were in agreement to complete and print and issue when ready.

148. To discuss the next steps to be taken regarding a Parish Plan.

This item to be deferred to the next meeting. A date is to be fixed in September for a public meeting.

149. To receive an update on the request for Allotments.

This item to be deferred to the next meeting. A response has been sent to Mr Brown.

150. To discuss the Haxey sign - garden and roadside and to consider any action required.

The flowers and foliage are overgrown causing a safety hazard when trying to exit the junction opposite the Church on to the Haxey to Westwoodside Road. There is also the issue of grass being overgrown on the same stretch. Cllr Moyle and several residents have approached NLC and have been dealing with a Mr Hindmarsh. Clerk to contact NLC Geoff Pople and ask that this issue be dealt with as soon as possible due to the safety concerns and potential for an accident.

151. To be notified of the Definitive Map modification (Public Bridleway 116, Haxey) Order 2008(2).

This has been an upgrade to a bridleway along the River Idle.

152. To receive a report on particulars of terms and conditions of employment to be included in the Clerk's Contract.

The Clerk has received a letter confirming her appointment to the Parish Clerk / RFO for a trial period of 3 months, in the meantime a contract will be drawn up. ERNLLCA recommended a salary scale of SCP 24/25. The Clerk has agreed a salary of SCP22 (which was the previous Clerks SCP) until the CILCA qualification is attained where it is recommended by ERNLLCA that the Clerk's SCP is 25. This will go onto the agenda to discuss at the relevant time. When the Clerk attends the scheduled monthly meetings of the Parish Council she will only claim time and not mileage. When attending all other meetings or visits on behalf of Haxey Parish Council the Clerk will claim mileage and time excluding travel time. **It was resolved that** a monthly 'working from home allowance' be included in the contract of £5.57. The contract will be drawn up and signed when the 3 months has elapsed. **Proposed Cllr Booth, seconded Cllr Maw. Unanimous support approval.**

153. To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Allotments
Parish Plan
Haxey Methodist Church donation
Website
Rubbish bin located on the Dr Dyson's garden
Village of the Year update

Haxey Photographic competition
Mrs Kuchnir – War Memorial flowers

154. To be notified of a credit of £234.79 from HMRC for overpayment for 2006/07.

Due to the incorrect internal transfers within HMRC different departments and an error when the previous Clerk submitted the NI figures there is no credit due. Cllr Booth has spoken to Cumbernauld and Lincoln offices and has now sorted this error. The Clerk has written to Cumbernauld clarifying the situation and the Parish Council awaits the response.

155. To Consider the Following Accounts Issues:

Payee		Cheque Number	Amount £
R Wallace & Son	Cleaning of Haxey War Memorial	1385	698.00
Cottage Gardens	Grass cutting 4 th cut 29 th May	1386	109.00
P S & R Hather	Hanging Baskets	1387	235.00
Sandra Bishop – Occasions (Over 70's Party)	Catering	1388	726.00
Pam Layton (Over 70's Party)	Donation for Entertainment	1389	50.00
Mrs J Eckhardt (Over 70's Party)	Oldest Lady and Gent prizes.	1390	20.00
HMRC	Employers & Employee NI contributions	1391	32.52
D Hotson	Salary & Expenses	1392	641.02
Cottage Gardens	Grass Cutting 1 st 10 th June	1393	53.00
Cottage Gardens	Grass Cutting 5 th 17 th June	1394	109.00
Post Office Ltd	Re direction of mail for 6 months	1395	47.90
Total expenditure for June			2,721.44

Proposed by Cllr Booth, seconded Cllr Maw - Unanimous that the accounts be paid.

.....Chairman