

HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 25th November 2008 in the Hood Room of Haxey Memorial Hall.

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

Also Present: 1 resident.

Chairman: Cllr. Allcock presided.

293. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Foreman & Cooke.

294. To Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting Held on Wednesday 12th November 2008.

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12th November 2008 were approved as a correct record by Cllr W H Lindley and seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.

295. 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 non pecuniary interest in agenda item 300 – Cllrs W H Lindley & Whitehead.

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

PA/2008/1598 - Mr R Woodliffe – Planning permission for the conversion of an existing storage building to a residential annexe and garden store at Field House, Graizelound Fields Road, Haxey.

The Parish Council supported this application when last submitted. The application has been re-submitted and has been reduced in size therefore it was proposed by Cllr Knowles to support the application, seconded by Cllr Maw. All in favour.

PA/2008/1472 – Mrs Bloomfield – Amended Planning permission to erect single storey extension to front, to raise the roof height and the installation of dormer windows to front and rear at 28 Commonside, Westwoodside.

The Parish Council supported this application when last submitted. The application has been amended and 2 dormer windows have been removed. No objections have been received by the Parish Council for this application therefore Cllr Whitehead proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Boor. 9 for, 2 against.

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

- a) The Clerk informed the Parish Council that NLC had no plans to put any Armco where requested alongside B1396, but would look into it. The road between the “ski jump” and Westwoodside would be inspected for subsidence by NLC. Clerk to inform NLC that a further crash has occurred into the bridge on the B1396 at Park Drain crossing.
- b) The complaint received from a resident of Commonside regarding the parking of Land Rovers along the road was passed onto NLC and Humberside Police. NLC have looked into the problem in the past and have found no issues. Clerk to further contact Steve Harrison – road safety and Andrea Brocklebank – verge and tree erosion. Humberside Police also responded and will forward to NLC Road Safety management to re-establish the investigation which was stopped as it was thought the business was moving premises. Clerk to also highlight to the Police that some of the vehicles have no road tax and are parked on the highway. Clerk to contact Environment Agency and inform them of the oil pollution running into the drainage system.
- c) Clerk to report to NLC that there has been a lot of dog fouling along Commonside and children have to walk that way to school.
- d) Reported blocked drain on Akeferry Road and NLC informed the Clerk that the drain will be cleaned and jetted when repaired. Clerk to contact NLC again and inform them that the drain was repaired 2 weeks ago.
- e) Letter received from the Environment Agency re: Trent Catchment Flood Management Plan consultation. The Parish Councils views have been noted and a higher level assessment is now being undertaken to produce a new strategy.
- f) Humber Sports Partnership information to be passed onto the Playing Fields Association.
- g) Street Beat newsletter received. Clerk to forward to Cllr Carlile.
- h) Response received from Mrs Weaver (Townswoman) informing the Parish Council who rents the Sandbeds land and a mere map.
- i) Umbrella newsletter received.
- j) Letter received from HMRC informing the Council if the year end payroll data is completed online then the Parish Council will receive £75.

298. To consider the closure of a small section of footpath 88 and the erection of a field gate with adjacent bridleway gate at each end of BR84 and determine further action.

The land owners would like to close a small section of FP88 as FP90 is only a few yards further along. After discussions for and against closing this section of footpath **Cllr Carlile proposed to support the land owners and close the section specified, seconded by Cllr Whitehead. 6 for, 5 against.**

NLC would like to place gates on BR84 just before Mr Fielding's house to stop motorbikes and quad bikes causing damage to the track. NLC have spent in excess of £2,500 repairing the track. A key will be provided to anyone who can prove they require access. Cllrs Allcock and Maw have spoken to Mr Fielding and he is not concerned that NLC would like to erect the gates as the motorbikes are a nuisance, but ask to move so that his property could be accessed by all services. **It was proposed to support the erection of the gates but to move them approximately 20m past Mr Fielding's house by Cllr Maw, seconded by Cllr Boor. 10 for, 1 against.**

299. To receive an update on the progress of establishing a group to create a Parish Plan.

The second meeting was held on 18th November where the full committee was appointed.

The open meetings will take place in February.

The committee would like to establish good links with the schools.

'Awards for all' funding will be applied for in January 2009 and it is thought that the plan will cost approximately £3-4k to create. It was hoped the Parish Council would assist with the funding. Cllr Allcock suggested that the Website is used to advertise and keep the Parish up to date and a request for funding should be on the agenda for the next meeting.

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

Letters have been distributed to Cove Road residents and a few enquires have been received on location to which the Clerk has issued a map. One resident had concerns over bonfires and this will be taken in to consideration when the regulations are created.

Due to holidays Drewery & Wheeldon have not yet carried out a survey on the piece of land behind the Carpenters Arms.

The next step is to arrange to meet with the residents who have re confirmed their interest in an allotment plot.

301. To receive an update on the overgrown hedge on Akeferry Road.

NLC Andrea Brocklebank is currently on sick leave. Clerk to keep chasing.

302. To receive an update on Zurich Municipal insurance renewal and the removal of the conifers.

Clerk to contact Zurich and inform them of the changes required to the policy which will include the Fidelity Guarantee increase from £25k to £95k and the Councillors to be included and to also change the address and sum assured on office equipment.

Clerk has confirmed with the Insurance Company that the Parish Council will be removing the conifers. Clerk to chase response from NLC to inspect trees before removal. Clerk to write to the solicitor representing 59 High Street, Haxey and let them know that the Parish Council will be removing the conifers.

303. To receive an update on the letter to Haxey Memorial Hall Committee regarding possible Parish Council office.

A letter has been received from the Haxey Memorial Hall Committee stating what Cllr C Lindley informed the Council at the last meeting. A meeting was held with Cllrs C Lindley, Smedley, Allcock, Knowles and the Clerk to review the current office. The wheelie bin will be removed and the cupboard belonging to the Library will be relocated to the opposite side leaving the left hand side of the office for use by the Parish Council. Storage of files will be reviewed and this will be a welcome improvement.

304. To receive an update on the damaged seat on Doncaster Road.

The Clerk read out the costs and showed examples of a total of 4 seats. The dimensions have been checked and the seat will fit. The Clerk has contacted Mr Richardson and awaits a quote to fit the seat. **Cllr Whitehead proposed to replace with the Mace main Amstrad seat at a cost of £283, seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.**

305. To receive comments on Burnham Road and determine action required.

Clerk to contact NLC and ask that the roads within Low Burnham be inspected including the road which flooded last year as this has been affected by water erosion and needs repairing.

306. To receive a report from Cllr Maw on the NLC Liaison meeting on Affordable Housing.

a) An update was provided by North Lincolnshire Council on waste collection and recycling. In 2000 only 5% of waste was recycled, in 2008 this has risen to 43%.

b) HWRCC David Broadmeadow gave an update on the Affordable Housing in North Lincolnshire.

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- c) Chris Barwell gave an update on the spatial plan. The Parish Council would not be able to give comments or see areas of any land last put forward for development consideration until they had been before the planning inspectorate.
- d) Andrew Cunningham explained the Limehouse system, a software programme which holds information regarding the spatial plan and this can be accessed by the Chairman or Clerk of a Parish Council as well as individuals. Clerk to investigate.

307. To receive a report from Cllr C Lindley from the Active Choice Active Future meeting.

There has been no meeting arranged yet, deferred to the January meeting.

308. To receive a report from Cllr Booth from the NATs meeting.

Both Cllrs Booth and Eckhardt attended. Issues such as the state of repair to the roads was discussed to which Cllr Booth informed the meeting of the B1396 and the damage being done by agricultural vehicles in Westwoodside.

The portable flashing speed signs were discussed and these can be hired or purchased. The signs cannot be placed where existing speed checks are carried out. Cllr Maw informed the Council that if you are a member of a Neighbourhood Watch Group he thought you may be able to obtain one of the signs free. A lot of different information, so further clarification will be sought. Clerk also informed the Council that other Parishes were looking into having these signs but again different costs and procedures.

PC Cooke will be retiring at the end of January 2009.

309. To receive a report from Cllr Knowles from the ERNLLCA AGM.

The meeting was held in Pocklington on 18th October and consisted of morning presentation followed by the AGM in the afternoon. Cllr Tom Glossop was re-elected as president.

There has been a 34% increase in the use of the Desktop Advisory service.

There were 11 resolutions put forward and 5 passed. Last year's resolution involving the ability to complain to the Ombudsman put forward by Haxey Parish Council was still being investigated.

310. To receive a report from Cllr Carlile from the Westwoodside Village Hall meeting.

At the October meeting fund raising and bookings were discussed along with maintenance. The money that was donated by the Parish Council to resurface the car park has not been used due to the fact that the cost of resurfacing was more than double the anticipated costs. The Village Hall committee will be writing to the Parish Council, but in the meantime it was suggested that the money is used to carry out repair work on the car park. Cllr Maw advised that the Village Hall Committee contact the PTA and that they pay a nominal fee to the Committee for using the car park.

311. To receive comments on the Church stop valves and determine further action.

Clerk to contact NLC and Yorkshire Water to ask that the old concrete blocks be removed.

312. To be notified of the Robin Hood Airport extension plans and determine further action.

Cllr Booth to attend the exhibition on December 5th and report back at the January meeting.

313. To consider the Risk Assessment requirements on disk and arrange meeting to discuss with Internal Auditor.

The Clerk read out a few examples of what the risk assessment disk contains.

It was agreed that due to the fact the Clerk has not yet met the Internal Auditor a meeting is to be arranged.

314. To give consideration to requirements which will affect precept and discuss so precept decision can be made at the December meeting.

The Clerk distributed a copy of the account balance and the estimated spend up to 31/03/09 and the estimated expenditure for 09/10. All items to be included for the precept 09/10 to be submitted to the Clerk before the next meeting.

315. To consider the 2008/9 National Salary Award for Local Council Clerks and determine further action.

The Clerk read out the increase in salary of point SCP22. Cllr Allcock read out the increase in car allowances.

It was proposed to accept these increases and backdate to 1st April 2008 by Cllr Booth, seconded by Cllr Smedley. All in favour.

316. To confirm the date of the next meeting to be Tuesday December 16th 2008.

All in favour. Apologies for absence were given by Cllrs Booth, C Lindley, Smedley. Eckhardt and possibly Cllr Boor.

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

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- a) Awards Map
- b) Disused Railway line – litter on steps down to the school path
- c) Greenhill road surface is rising
- d) Cross Roads – Park drain - accidents
- e) Funding Parish Plan
- f) Footpath on Upperthorpe Hill – state of repair
- g) Upperthorpe Hill – priority signs have gone

318. To consider the following accounts and any received after the agenda had been sent out.

Payee	Details	Cheque Number	Amount £
D Hotson	Salary	1441	600.83
D Hotson	Expenses	1441	179.93
H M Revenue & Customs	NI Employee	1442	18.27
H M Revenue & Customs	NI Employer	1442	21.26
Cottage Gardens	Grass Cutting	1443	109.00
BT Payment Services Ltd	Telephone	1444	68.05
Orange - Telephone	Telephone	DD	35.37
Total expenditure for November 25th			1,032.71

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

.....Chairman