

HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 23rd February 2010 in the Hood Room of Haxey Memorial Hall.

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

Also Present: 1 resident.

Chairman: Cllr Smedley presided.

Procedural

31. No apologies received.
32. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th January 2010 were approved as a true and correct record. **Proposed Cllr Knowles, seconded by Cllr C Lindley. All in favour.**
33. Declarations of Interest received from:-
 Cllr W Lindley – personal interest in agenda item 49.
 Cllr Carlile – personal interest in agenda items 42, 49 & 55.
 Cllr Whitehead – personal interest in agenda item 34 2010/0124.
 Cllr C Lindley – personal interest in agenda items 34 2010/0065 & 49.

Planning

34. To receive the decisions made by North Lincolnshire Council and to consider the following planning applications and any further planning applications received where comments have to be submitted before the next meeting.

The following decisions were made by NLC:-

2009/1157 – Mrs K Turland, Crossways, Doncaster Road – full planning permission granted to erect an agricultural building.

2009/1221 – Mr A Smith, land adjacent to Star Croft, Turbary Road – full planning permission granted to retain a stable block and erect a tack / veterinary room with WC and associated drainage.

2009/1240 – Haxey Preschool – full planning permission granted to replace a shed.

2009/1301 – Mr M White, Rose Cottage, Turbary Road - full planning permission granted to retain training building and erect an extension.

2009/1321 – Mr P Morris, Star Carr Farm, Greenholme Bank – full planning permission granted to erect a three storey farm house with external landscaping.

2009/1385 – Mr Searson, plot adjacent to 42 Commonsides – full planning permission granted to erect a detached four bedroom house and double detached domestic garage. (Re-submission of 2009/0516).

2009/1492 – Haxey Tennis Club – full planning permission granted to erect six 8m high columns with floodlights.

2009/0886 – Mr Fricker, 85 Akeferry Road – full planning permission was granted subject to conditions. This information provided by NLC was justification of their approval as the Parish Council had objected to the application.

The following planning applications received from NLC were discussed by the Parish Council:-

2010/0065 – Mr N Dent, site rear of 41, The Nooking, Haxey – planning permission to retain a storage building. The Clerk read out the objection that was submitted to NLC and copied to the

Parish Council. **It was proposed by Cllr Booth to object to the above application as the height of the building is too high, contravening the original planning condition (2/111/80) which stated that the height of the materials stored should be no higher than 2m, the building erected is 2.8m high. Seconded by Cllr Boor. 11 for, 3 against, 1 abstention.**

2010/0066 – Mr & Mrs Swift, 33 High Street, Haxey – planning permission to erect a first floor extension at the rear and a loft conversion. Clerk read out the letter of objection posted on the NLC Planning Portal. **It was proposed by Cllr Foreman to in principle support the above application but request that the car parking spaces of which there are currently 6 are retained. These are still reflected on the plans but are reduced in the application to 0, this would not be acceptable. Seconded by Cllr Carlile. 14 in favour, 1 against.**

2010/084 – Mr C Southern, 51 Haxey Lane, Haxey – planning permission to erect a single storey rear extension and new chimney to side elevation. **Cllr Maw proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.**

2010/0124 – Mr C Layton, Piggery adjacent to Wakefield Lodge, Low Hall Road, East Lound – planning permission to convert piggery to residential use and raise the height of the roof. **Cllr Booth proposed to support the application but also endorse the comments made by the Internal Drainage Board. Seconded by Cllr Lange. 13 for, 2 abstentions.**

2010/0154 – Mr R Bruce, Morton Villa, 9 Turbary Road – planning permission to erect a first floor extension with a veranda. **Cllr Maw proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.**

2010/0076 – Mr R Pears, 10 School Close, Epworth – application for Lawful Development Certificate in connection with an existing use for the storage of vintage tractors and agricultural equipment. **Cllr Maw proposed to support the application, seconded by Cllr Carlile. 9 for, 6 against.**

35. Clerk's Report

- a) NSPCC information received on a campaign to raise awareness.
- b) Notice of Confirmation of Public Footpath 93, Haxey 2009 received from NLC.
- c) Notification received from Mr R Carter that the roads will be cleaned and monitored while the building work is in progress on the Westwoodside Playing Fields.
- d) NALC Consultation notification received.
- e) The 5 minute guide to Community Speedwatch received from NLC.
- f) Update received from NLC Dave Sanderson on the maintenance of the Turbary Road. Clerk to write to the Haxey Study Centre to enquire about the authorities using the Centre and about the state of repair to the road due to increase in traffic using the facility.
- g) Order Decision and Confirmation of Public Path FP74 (Epworth and Haxey) Order received from NLC for the diversion of a section of FP74.
- h) Information received from Scunthorpe Property Services Ltd advertising their services.
- i) Update received from NLC Rob Mackenzie on the proposed drainage system for Hunters Croft and the request for salt bins on Upperthorpe. Clerk to inform NLC that there are no salt bins near to the Church end in Haxey.
- j) Umbrella and Playing Fields newsletters passed to Cllr Lange.
- k) Email received from PC Garlick of Epworth Police on the actions the Police are taking to tackle the illegal motorbike activities on the parish footpaths.

- l) Low Burnham Village Centre grant request received. Agenda item for the next meeting.
- m) Copy of letter submitted to NLC received regarding the ongoing problem of flooding on the Nooking. Clerk to contact NLC to ask what actions they are taking.

Improvements / Projects

36. To receive an update on the progress of the Allotments project from the Land Working Party and to determine any action required.

Clerk has written to the land owner to the southern end of the Allotments who has confirmed the hedge belongs to him and the Parish Council can cut this back but not remove. Clerk has contact Mr Brownbridge for a quote to carry out the work while working on the Allotments.

The Parish Council have met with the pest controller and he has been cleared to use traps on the Allotments and adjoining land. The top soil and raised beds should be in place by the end of the month, weather permitting. The Parish Council have received a letter of complaint from a land owner regarding horses causing damage to his land which are gaining access from adjoining land. As the horses are on tenanted land the Parish Council has sent a letter to the tenant to request that this problem be rectified.

37. To receive an update on the progress of the Leader Programme Grant.

The Leader Programme Grant administration process has been completed and the Parish Council have received the grant from NLC.

38. To receive an update on the progress to create a Parish Plan / Community Emergency Plan and determine action required.

The majority of the plan has been written. The next meeting is scheduled for 15th March. More photographs have been collected. The final date for completion is expected to be the end of June. The Community Emergency Plan will be progressed on the completion of the Plan. Assistance is available from NLC.

39. To be notified and approve the tender advertisement submitted to the Epworth Bells for grass cutting 2010.

Cllr Maw approved the tender advertisement, seconded by Cllr Booth. All in favour.

Highways – Traffic / Roads / Footpaths

40. To receive an update on the safety and condition of the Ash trees located on Uppertorpe Hill.

Cllr Foreman attended a site meeting with residents and NLC Andrea Brocklebank to discuss the safety and condition of the Ash trees located on Uppertorpe Hill. NLC to provide the Parish Council with a detailed report. Clerk to investigate the conditions of the planning permission granted to cut into the bank of the north side of Uppertorpe Hill for access to land.

41. To consider the purchase of further dog bins to cover areas on Westwoodside.

The Clerk informed the Council of the concerns raised by a resident of Westwoodside over the amount of dog fouling around the areas of Mill Lane / Gollands Lane / Uppertorpe Road / Commonsides and Brethergate. The Clerk had obtained information from NLC identifying the locations of all dog and waste bins within the Parish.

It was proposed by Cllr Booth to purchase 2 further dog bins and locate them at the top of Mill Lane on the eastern verge and on the southern verge at the east end of Commonsides, seconded by Cllr Allcock. All in favour.

42. To discuss the provisions of a footpath on Uppertorpe Road and determine action required.

It was agreed that this area was in need of a footpath. Clerk to contact NLC and ascertain when the provisions of a footpath will be considered and when considered to utilize the verge and not just the road.

Reports / Updates

43. To receive a report on the meeting held between the Parish Council and Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust.

The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February were issued prior to the meeting. The Clerk has requested a copy of the lease agreement and consent order from LWT. A further meeting will be held within the next few months to discuss the lease details.

44. To receive a report on the Town & Parish Liaison meeting.

No one attended.

45. To receive a report on the Police Authority meeting.

The meeting was held on the Monday 18th January 2010 at Belton Park Pavilion were Cllrs Carlile and Cook attended.

- The Police reported Crimes of Burglary, vehicle theft and theft from vehicles, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour were all down.
- Westwoodside Playing Field was being visited due to youth problems.
- A number of advisory notices have been issued for poor parking at Greenhill.
- No further reports of problems on Northside.
- Poaching was a problem and a liaison group was being set up to tackle this issue.
- Road Safety Partnership reported best ever results both for North Lincolnshire and locally in the Isle, with death and injuries at their lowest.
- Open forum – Cllr Carlile asked how the policing pledge in respect of 80% of time being spent on the beat would be monitored. Cllr Carlile also asked for more visible policing in the parish and for the police station at Epworth to be open to the public when officers were there as it was felt it would increase public confidence. An assurance was given that manned officers would answer the door and that a door bell had been installed for this. The Cllrs were also advised that when a police car was present this does not always mean that officers were also present and the phone provided should be used which diverts calls through to Grimsby.
- Police Authority Panel meetings may be dropped in favour of focus groups and this may be the last such meeting subject to a decision.

46. To receive an update on the Heritage Trail.

Cllr Bloomfield informed the meeting that she had been doing a lot of reading and was going to take some photographs and meet with the Heritage Society. Cllr Bloomfield to provide the Clerk with a list of the 12 main sites. Cllr Allcock suggested that the photographs be also utilized in the Parish Plan. Clerk to investigate if the Parish Council can assist financially in the maintenance of Pinfolds.

47. To receive an update on the Website.

Due to the bad weather the meeting was cancelled.

The member's area is experiencing a slight problem, it currently will not open adobe files. This will be resolved shortly and a file system is also to be installed. A house keeping exercise will be carried out in the near future to correct any mistakes that currently exist on the site. We would also like to find new questions for the have your say section, the proboard which we are currently testing is going well and this may prove to be a good source for questions.

48. To receive an update on the Awards Map.

Due to the bad weather the meeting was cancelled.

The Heritage Society has supplied a short piece explaining the awards book which will be used when displaying them. The books have still to be inspected owing to the ongoing bad weather.

49. To receive an update on Northside determining any further action required.

Mr Exton has contacted the Parish Council regarding the use of illegal motor bikes on Northside and other parish footpaths. The Clerk has contact Epworth Police. See item 35k.

NLC Colin Wilkinson has requested to see a selection of evidence forms received. Clerk to copy and submit.

A resident has requested copies of letters received regarding the update letter issued on 12th January. Under the Freedom of Information the Clerk has issued these letters blanking out any personal information.

NLC have informed the Parish Council that until a decision on the status of Northside has been reached the consideration of a barrier cannot be considered. Clerk to request that NLC Colin Wilkinson contact all Northside residents and inform them of this.

Clerk to also contact the Police to ask that a presence be made at the weekends at known footpaths where illegal motor bikes have been seen including Northside and that the situation be monitored.

General Items

50. To receive an update on information gathered re: employment of a Parish Handyman and determine any further action required.

Parish Councillors have received the report from Cllr Knowles detailing recommendation on employing a Parish Handyman. **Cllr Booth proposed to support the recommendation and go ahead with a non comitial advert for a Handyman, seconded by Cllr C Lindley. 14 for, 1 against.**

51. To determine a date and agenda for the Parish Meeting.

It was agreed to hold the Parish meeting on May 12th but after the meeting it was found the hall was booked. Therefore a proposal of 4th May was issued to all Cllrs. This will be confirmed prior to the meeting being advertised in the Arrow. Cllr Smedley suggested tea and biscuits are provided.

Agenda items to be agreed at the next meeting.

52. To nominate the relevant Chair to attend the Royal Garden Party in July at Buckingham Palace.

The Clerk read out the guidelines for nominations. Due to both Cllrs Allcock and Smedley attending previous Garden Parties **it was proposed by Cllr Whitehead that Cllr Booth be nominated to attend, seconded by Cllr W Lindley. All in favour.**

53. To determine attendees of the ERNLLCA 'Role of the Clerk' training seminar.

Cllr Bloomfield to attend.

54. To be notified of the B Division Policing Plan and determine any action required.

Cllr Carlile responded on behalf of the Parish Council. Clerk to also submit comments regarding the response times.

55. To be notified of the procedure to deal with untidy land within the Parish and determine action required.

Cllr Carlile provided information to all Cllrs on the 'Land adversely affecting amenity of Neighbourhood' and the 'Power to require proper maintenance of land'. It was agreed that all untidy land be reported to the Clerk who will create a list and submit to NLC for action.

56. Request for article(s) for next month's Arrow publication.

- Heritage Trail
- LWT Meeting update

- Annual Parish Meeting date
 - Leader grant update
 - Handyman advert
57. To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- Configuration of footpath towards Uppertorpe Hill opposite Gollands Lane.
 - Low Burnham Village Centre grant request.
 - Agenda items for Parish Meeting.
 - Land for grave yard.
 - Memorial – Doncaster Road.

Finance

58. To received a copy of the Financial Statement up to 23rd February 2010.

Grant Requests

Expenditure

59. To be notified and approve the cheque raised in payment for the work to be carried out on the Allotment site funded by the Leader Grant.

It was proposed by Cllr Booth to approve the payment of the cheque, seconded by Cllr Knowles. All in favour.

60. 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	1592	620.06
D Hotson	Expenses	1592	145.30
H M Revenue	Employers NI	1593	28.91
H M Revenue	Employees NI & Tax	1593	51.04
Isle Publication Ltd	Arrow – February edition	1594	94.00
D G Brownbridge	Allotments	1591	16,714.38
D Knowles	Travel Expenses	1595	40.26
ERNLLCA	Training Course – The Role of the Clerk	1596	30.00
Johnston Press Plc	Grass Tender advert	1597	109.28
Total expenditure 23rd February 2010			£17,833.23

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

.....Chairman

Abbreviations

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NLC	North Lincolnshire Council
HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs
HWRCC	Humber Wolds Rural Community Council
ERNLLCA	East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Council Advisors
NATs	Neighbourhood Action Teams
LWP	Land Working Party
CIIs	Councillors
CEP	Community Emergency Plan
BR	Bridleway
FP	Footpath
LWT	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust