# **HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2013 at 7pm in the Meeting Room, The Pavilion, Westwoodside.

Present: Cllrs. Allcock, Booth, Boor, Carlile, Cooke, Foreman, Harris, Knowles, Lange, Lindley,

Morris, Orton, Smedley, Whitehead & 6 residents.

Chairman: Cllr Knowles presided.

### **Public Participation**

Mrs Turner a local resident raised concerns about the recent article in the Epworth Bells regarding 'fracking' – a process used to access shale gases. Mrs Turner asked if the Parish Council could research the process in preparation for any 'fracking' which has been proposed for both Haxey and Epworth.

Cllr Allcock stated that he too had read the article and had asked NLC Planning Department if they were aware of any applications applying for such a process which they are not aware of.

Cllr Knowles stated that the Parish Council have not discussed the item and will do so when and if any further information is presented confirming any 'fracking' in the area. Mrs Turner was thanked for attending and was requested to keep in touch with the Parish Council on the issue.

PC Sally Roberts introduced herself and provided crime stats for the year. There were 284 crimes in 2011/12 and 187 for 2012/13 July – August.

PC Roberts will be covering the NATs and Country Watch replacing PC Starbuck. PC Roberts will try and attend each Parish Council meeting.

Mr Blow who runs the Westwoodside Rangers AFC spoke of the request he had in with regard to a donation to assist in the running of the team which helped keep the young adults occupied. Some of the team had attained an excellent standard. Mr Blow thanked the Parish Council for their previous support and went on to say that any assistance with the administration of the team and some specific issues concerning financing the team would be welcomed.

4 residents left the meeting.

#### **Procedural**

- 206. All members present.
- 207. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2013 were approved as a true and correct record. **Proposed:** Cllr Foreman. **Seconded:** Cllr Booth. **All in favour.**

#### 208. **Declarations**

a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

Cllr Carlile declared a personal interest in agenda item 209 2013/0988.

- Cllr Harris & Cllr Lange declared a personal interest in agenda item 209 2013/0800.
- Cllr Allcock asked that the following is minuted "As a Councillor with NLC and Ward member I serve on the NLC Planning Committee and Licensing Committee, as such I cannot participate in any discussion on Planning or Licensing and cannot vote on them."
- b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. No dispensations outstanding

#### 209. **Planning**

To receive any decisions made by North Lincolnshire Council and to consider the following planning applications received from NLC.

The following decisions were received from NLC.

**2013/0571** – full planning permission granted to change the use of a garage into temporary accommodation for a rare breeds manager at Shepherds Place Farm, Akeferry Road, Westwoodside.

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**2013/0581** – full planning permission granted to demolish an existing dwelling and erect a replacement dwelling, triple garage and stable block (resubmission of PA/2012/0241) at 79 Akeferry Road, Westwoodside.

2013/0746 – full planning permission granted to erect a replacement dwelling at 19 Newbigg, Westwoodside.

**2013/0747** – full planning permission granted to erect a two storey extension and conservatory at 20 Gollands Lane, Westwoodside.

**MIN/2013/0865** – planning permission to vary condition one (previously approved MIN/2009/0324 to extend sand extraction operations with progressive restoration) to extend the time limit for commencement to before 01/11/15. **Withdrawn.** 

**2012/1256** – appeal has been submitted for outline planning permission for residential development with all matters reserved for subsequent approval (resubmission of PA/2011//1486) at land adjacent to 51 The Nooking, Haxey. Clerk to ensure that NLC have all the relevant information submitted by the Parish Council.

The following applications received from NLC were discussed by the Parish Council.

**2013/0483** – Mrs L Dobson, Hill Farm, The Old Barns, A161 between Epworth & Haxey, Low Burnham – application for minor material amendment to PA/2010/1107 to install two windows to the northern elevation and replace garage door with windows and change the window material. **Resolved - no objections or comments.** 

Proposed: Cllr Foreman. Seconded: Cllr Orton. 12 for with 2 abstentions.

**2013/0800** – Magdalenes, Kirton Carr Lane, Haxey – application for a minor material amendment to PA/2006/1702 to move garage position through 90 degrees. **Resolved - no objections or comments. Proposed: Cllr Foreman. Seconded: Cllr Boor. 13 for with 1 abstention.** 

2013/0825 – The Co-Operative Bank, Co-Operative, 20 High Street, Haxey – planning permission for installation of 24 hr exterior ATM cash machine. Resolved – object with comments that this will be an inconvenience to residents and support the comments made by them on this application. Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Foreman. 10 for, 2 against with 2 abstentions.

2013/0828 – Mr Wilkinson, Lincolnshire Co-op – advertisement consent to display a non-illuminated totem sign. Resolved – object to the application which is not in keeping with the street scene and the information already available on other signage – similar grounds to the previous application for an illuminated sign. Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Lindley. 8 for, 5 against with 1 abstention.

**2013/0972** – Mr & Mrs Jones, Windyridge, Haxey Road, Low Burnham – planning permission to erect a portal framed building for personal storage (including demolition of existing buildings). **Resolved – object with the following comments -** located in open countryside in the Isle of Axholme Historic Environment which means it is subject to NLC local plan LC14.

The application is vague in that it does not quantify what personnel storage is, the Parish Council feel the present buildings offer more than sufficient personal storage. The photo is misleading as it shows the old buildings prior to refurbishment.

The size and height will be a dominant feature in the historic landscape; the Parish Council feel the screening to the south side is inadequate. It is not intended for agricultural use and does not benefit from any of the exemptions given to agriculture and forestry. It is to all intents and purposes a new domestic build. The surrounding properties are largely farming businesses associated with the open countryside and the large buildings are associated with this type of businesss.

The Parish Council feel this development would lend itself to future non-agricultural based business and this Parish Council would be opposed to any such development in the open countryside.

The Parish Council object to this plan as it exceeds the size and height of the buildings it intended to replace, suffers from poor screening and does not accord with CS1, CS2, CS3, CS5, CS6. RD1. 6.9, RD2, RD6, RD7, and DS1 of the local plan and NPPF section 11.

Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Carlile. 12 for, 1 against with 1 abstention.

**2013/0983** – Mr Smith, Star Croft, land adjacent, Turbary Road, Haxey – planning permission to retain and complete a mixed use barn (part agriculture and part non agriculture. **Resolved – object to the application with the following comments -** located in open countryside in the Isle of Axholme Historic Environment which

means it is subject to NLC local plan LC14. It is in a critical area or close to as identified in the Article 4 Direction Isle of Axholme report (un-adopted).

Much is made by the applicant of the amount of land this building will serve and the figures which are given in hectares are it would appear in fact acres. We also not convinced some of the land claimed is actually owned by the applicant and feel NLC should carry out a land registry search to establish the amount of land it will serve. The building is already subject to a planning refusal in 2012 to which no appeal was lodged and the Parish Council see no significant change other than for storage and agricultural machinery, given the size of the land they will serve the Parish Council consider there is ample storage at the main property at Fairview and it offers better security without the need for any future development at this site for any related security issues. The building has in actual fact been clad in an unknown material, it is clearly second hand and its colour and finish only diminishes the overall look in the open countryside. The keeping of horses is not a recognised agricultural or forestry business and does not attract any of the exemption relating to diversification in the local

Any grant of permission, should make clear it is for storage of agricultural machinery and horses, it should be clear about any breaches and have clear restrictions to this affect. The Parish Council further feel it should be made clear no further development of any domestic facilities would be considered arising from any grants of permission.

The Parish Council continues to strongly object to this planning application as it does not accord with CS1, CS2, CS3, CS5, CS6 & RD1. 6.9, RD2, RD7, RD14 and DS1 of the local plan and NPPF section 11.

Proposed: Cllr Harris. Seconded: Cllr Smedley. 13 for with 1 abstention.

2013/0988 – Mr Shorland, Sibelco UK – planning permission to vary condition one (previously approved MIN/2009/0324 to extend sand extraction operations with progressive restoration) to extend the time limit for commencement to before 01/11/18. Resolved – object to the application until the remedial work has been carried out and all conditions stated in PA/2009/0324 have been adhered too. The erosion of the bank caused by the water is getting worse and has been a cause for concern for some years and several meetings have been held with the Parish Council and Local Authority. The site has not been restored to keep it safe. Proposed: Cllr Smedley. Seconded: Cllr Lindley. 11 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions.

Comments submitted to NLC on 28/07/13 Confirmation of receipt received from NLC on 09/09/13

#### 210. Clerk's Report

plan.

- a) Concerns raised about the trees running along the Allotment boundary. Agenda item for the next meeting.
- b) Thank you letter from Haxey Cricket Club for their recent grant.
- c) Letter received from NLC informing the Parish Council that Wi-Fi has been installed at Haxey Memorial Hall. Clerk to place the information into the Arrow.
- d) Clerk has sent a letter to a tenant where ragwort is present on parish land. The Parish Council will cut down and charge the tenants after the given date for action.
- e) ERNLLA Development Programme 2013. Agenda item for the next meeting.
- f) NALC revised pay scales.
- g) Thank you letter received from Low Burnham Village Centre on the hanging baskets.
- h) Collection Switching session dates. Posters have been placed on the notice boards.
- i) Thank you letter received from WPFA for their recent grant.

#### **Improvements / Projects**

211. To receive an update on the WPFA project and determine any further actions required.

The Charity Commission have confirmed the acceptance of the new constitution allowing the Parish Council to move forward. A meeting will be arranged over the next few weeks of the WPF Committee to discuss the quotes for the work to be carried out.

Cllr Allcock stated that NLC would be able to provide lamp poles at a cost of £75 each. Clerk to formally write to NLC requesting the 2 poles and ask if they could be installed.

Cllr Allcock also mentioned concerns raised by a resident regarding a personal trainer using the playing fields in the early morning. This will be an agenda item for the WPFC.

212. To receive an update on the Upperthorpe Road improvement.

Cllr Allcock informed the Council that NLC would carry out the road improvements with no cost to the Parish Council. Thanks were conveyed to Cllr Allcock for arranging this.

## 213. <u>Highways / Neighbourhood Services / North Lincolnshire Council items</u> Reports / Updates

214. To receive a report from the Ward Councillor on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.

Cllr Allcock informed the meeting that Westwoodside Village Hall has been awarded a £15k grant from the NLC Community pot which would allow the car park to be refurbished. Cllr Booth stated that the WWS Village Hall Committee was thrilled and work would start soon. The car park would be closed for a short while but this may make the school and parents appreciate the availability of the area for parking.

Cllr Allcock went on to say that the police are monitoring the parking on Greenhill, Church Street and High Street.

Cllr Allcock also stated that he had a lot of complaints about the lack of cutting/maintenance of the footpaths which was due to the current employee retiring. This has now been resolved and NLC are catching up on all outstanding jobs.

215. To receive a report from the LWT Annual meeting and determine any actions required.

A meeting was held on 26/08 with Cllrs Allcock, Knowles & Smedley, Geoff Trinder and Matthew Blissett from the LWT. This will be on next month's agenda once the notes have been received from Matthew. There were no major concerns raised other than their concern of the water eroding the bank on Cove Road.

- 216. To receive an update on the Westwoodside Flood alleviation and determine any further actions required.

  A response was received from Severn Trent regarding concerns raised by resident with a promise to keep the Parish Council involved with future correspondence ongoing major issue for the Parish Council.
- 217. To receive an update on the Westwoodside Pond issue and determine any further actions required.

  The dead fish were removed from the pond by the handyman. A 'no fishing' sign has been placed in the pond and the 'deep water' sign has faded. Clerk to check with the Insurance Company the legalities of these signs and past minutes and place onto the next agenda if necessary.
- 218. To receive an update on the Action List and determine any actions required.

  Cllr Knowles went through the Action List providing an update on each item.

### **General Items**

219. To be notified of the Best Kept Village results and determine any actions required.

The results were circulated prior to the meeting.

Clerk to contact CPRE regarding some of the comments on the results.

The WWS Village Hall car park has been awaiting grant aid before being refurbished – maybe this should have been a question to the Parish Council before points were lost.

Losing points due to the hedge being cut along FP113 which meant no car access but foot access from either Akeferry Road or Holme Lane was possible.

Need an explanation on the 'distinct lack of community planting' as this year the hanging baskets are the best they have been for some time.

Next year it may be worth writing to local businesses to ensure they are aware of the competition entered.

Clerk to write to the shop at Westwoodside on Newbigg regarding recent concerns of litter in the vicinity.

A discussion took place about this year's decision to split the judging between Haxey & Westwoodside – this will be reviewed again next year but generally it was thought that this gave the parish a better chance.

### 220. To consider the applications received for the position of Parish Councillor.

Cllr Knowles stated that it was pleasing to see there were 6 applicants for the position. Cllr Knowles explained the voting process.

Each Cllr would have one vote each round and the applicant with the least vote would be taken out at the end of each round followed by the next round of votes. The applicants were read in alphabetic order.

Applicant	Vote 1	Vote 2	Vote 3	Vote 4
Mr G Fiddler	8	7	7	8
Mr G Hislop	1	1	1	-
Mr A Houlden	3	5	5	6
Mr M Piggott	1	0	-	1
Mr P Smith	0	-	-	-
Mr W Steele	1	1	1	-

Resolved – Mr G Fiddler is co-opted on to the Council. Clerk to email Cllr Fiddler all the relevant paper work and he will join the Council at their next full meeting. Clerk to thank all other applicants.

221. To consider the correspondence received from NALC and determine action required.

Cllr Knowles explained the correspondence received and the rationale behind the input to NALC from Town and Parish Councils through the County Organisations it was resolved to support ERNLLCA's recommendations.

Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Orton. All in favour.

222. <u>To consider attendance to the ERNLLCA AGM scheduled for 19/09 at Winterton Community Pavilion.</u>

Cllr Carlile to speak on behalf of the Parish Council at the AGM with regard to the resolution on 'fly grazing' submitted. Cllr Fiddler to also attend. Clerk to inform ERNLLCA of voting delegates.

Cllr Allcock informed the meeting that Wroot Parish Council had submitted a letter to Parliament regarding the problem and Andrew Percy MP had received a response. Cllr Allcock to provide a copy if agreed by the original recipient.

- 223. Request for article (s) for next month's Arrow publication.
  - Best Kept Village results.
  - Best Kept Allotment presentation.
  - Fracking.
  - New Cllr details.
  - Jubilee Garden opening.
- 224. To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
  - Allotment trees.
  - WWS pond signage.
  - ERNLLCA Development Programme.
  - NLC Enforcement issues.
  - Poppy Wreath.
  - Langholme Lane farm shop.
  - Cutting back of railway track.
  - LWT meeting.

#### Finance

225. To receive a copy of the Financial Statement up to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2013. Noted.

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226. To consider attendance to the Cross Keys Associates Employment Law update.

Resolved that the Clerk and Cllr Booth to attend. Proposed: Cllr Orton. Seconded: Cllr Morris. 13 for with 1 abstention.

227. To consider attendance to the 'Being a Good Employer' day seminar.

No attendance.

228. <u>To consider the SLCC membership renewal.</u>

Resolved that the Parish Council contribute  $\pounds 69.62$  towards the cost of the membership renewal.

Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Orton. 13 for with 1 abstention.

229. To consider the CPRE membership renewal.

Resolved to renew the membership of £29. Proposed: Cllr Smedley. Seconded: Cllr Orton. All in favour.

230. To consider the attendance to the SLCC 'All things Media' seminar.

Resolved that the Clerk attends the seminar at a cost of £15. Proposed: Cllr Orton. Seconded: Cllr Knowles. 13 for with 1 abstention.

231. To consider the joint purchase of the 9<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Local Council Administration.

Resolved that the Parish Council contribute £10 towards the purchase of the new edition. Proposed: Cllr Booth. Seconded: Cllr Smedley. All in favour.

**Grant Requests** 

232. To consider the grant request received from the Westwoodside Rangers AFC.

Resolved a grant of £200. Proposed: Cllr Whitehead. Seconded: Cllr Booth. 11 for with 3 abstentions.

To consider the grant request received from Haxey PFA.

Item deferred until a grant request is received.

234. Expenditure

233.

To consider the following accounts and any received after the agenda has been sent out and payment required before the next meeting.

Total Expenditure 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2013			£2,092.13
Westwoodside Rangers AFC	Grant	2050	200.00
SLCC	Training seminar	2049	15.00
Cross Keys Associates	Training update	2048	70.00
CPRE	Membership renewal	2047	29.00
SLCC	Membership renewal	2046	69.62
JP Gardening Services	Grass cutting, Handyman services, Cemetery hedge	2045	436.00
Axholme Rosettes	Best Kept Allotment rosettes	2044	10.00
D Knowles	Travel Expenses	2043	25.65
Arrow Publication Ltd	Monthly edition	2042	102.60
H M Revenue	Employees NI & Tax	2041	52.20
H M Revenue	Employers NI	2041	45.77
D Hotson	Expenses & Admin	2040	115.79
D Hotson	Salary	2040	920.50

It was proposed by Cllr Booth, seconded by Cllr Morris to approve the expenditure. 13 for with 1 abstention.

235. To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as being Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 7pm. To be held in the Meeting Room, The Pavilion, Westwoodside.

......Chairman

Summary of continuing and newly agreed actions for YE 31/03/14				
Minute number	Action	Review Date /		
		Completion Date		
2011/234	Investigate the status of the Pinfolds	On-going		
2011/254	Repair of Greenhill wall	March 2014		
	Periodic review of Parish land rents	On-going		
	Haxey Turbary Access road	On-going		
2013/170	Asset Register	On-going		
2013/216	STWA work on Doncaster Rd	On-going		
	Potential Fracking Issue	On-going		

#### **Abbreviations**

AA Allotment Association

BR Bridleway

CCC Caravan & Camping Club CEP Community Emergency Plan

Cllrs Councillors

DCO Dog Control Order EA Environmental Agency

ERNLLCA East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Council Advisors

FP Footpath

HPFA Haxey Playing Field Association HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

HWRCC Humber Wolds Rural Community Council

ICCM Institute of Cemetery & Cremations Management

IDB Internal Drainage Board

LDF Local Development Framework

LWP Land Working Party

LWT Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust
NATs Neighbourhood Action Teams

**NHW** Neighbourhood Watch Neighbourhood Plans NHP **NLC** North Lincolnshire Council North Lincolnshire Homes **NLH PCC** Parochial Church Council Police Crime Commissioner **PCC PPAG** Parish Plan Action Group Public Right of Way **PROW** 

SSSI Site of Special Scientific Interest

T & PC Town & Parish Council

WP Working Party

WPFA Westwoodside Playing Field Association

WWS Westwoodside