

HAXEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 27th January, 2015 at 7pm at The Foreman Carter Centre, Westwoodside Playing Field, Westwoodside.

Present: Cllrs Allcock, Boor, Booth, Carlile, Cooke, Fiddler, Foreman, Harris, Knowles, Lange, Lindley, Smedley & Whitehead.

Also Present: Deb Hotson – Parish Clerk & 7 residents.

Chairman: Cllr Knowles presided.

Public Participation

Mr P Senior addressed the Council with regard to a proposed planning application that he is looking to submit to the Local Authority. The proposed house will be located at 19 Park Lane which has outline permission at present. It will be identical to the one next door, 2 storeys but will be slightly shorter. NLC Head of Planning had suggested that Mr Senior comes to the Parish Council to advise them of his plans. Cllr Knowles stated that they would take into consideration when the application is on the agenda any neighbouring objections and it was suggested he spoke to all neighbouring properties to advise them of the plans.

Mr Senior left the meeting.

Mrs Everatt addressed the Council with regard to the Low Burnham Children's Institute stating that she had provided the Clerk with more information which had been circulated to the full Council.

Mrs Everatt had also been asked by a resident who was unable to attend to submit his objections to PA/2014/1366 with regard to the access on to the A161.

The resident was objecting on safety ground with regard to the linear visibility which is less than the stopping distance. The application noted that there was only a 40m linear visibility, the Highway Code states that in wet weather the stopping distance will be at least 46m. This is also assuming that no vehicle will be speeding at over 30mph which as past history has proved this is the majority of the time.

Mrs Jean Turner then addressed the Council with regard to her concern on fracking in the area. Mrs Turner stated that seismic testing had been undertaken in the area prior to Christmas. She had attended a meeting in Misson recently on this subject. Cllr Knowles commented that following the recent meeting in Haxey when the audience had been advised that there were numerous active Planning Applications for drilling in Haxey Parish, investigations had revealed that ALL had lapsed in 2009 and would need to be re-submitted and be subject to the scrutiny process before any work is undertaken.

Concerns were raised with regard to the water used in the testing process where 900 chemicals are used in approximately 2 million gallons of water and once this water is used in the process it is 90% more radioactive. The recent testing in the Manchester area saw this being dumped in to the Manchester Canal as there was no way to clean the water once contaminated.

Mrs Turner stated that there was to be 15 sites across the Isle using between 2 -5 million gallons of water and it was thought this would be left underground which could lead to health and safety implications on human health. Cllr Knowles thanked Mrs Turner and explained that we had received a copy of an email from Andrew Percy MP on this issue which stated that there was no active drilling in this area at present. She was also advised that the Council was confident that if any activity was proposed in the Parish, there was a process in place that would ensure that the Parish Council and the Planning Authority was consulted in a timely fashion and that should we be advised of any permissions required, the Parish Council would take advantage of her local and specific knowledge.

2 residents left the meeting.

Cllr Knowles opened the meeting.

1501/01 Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Morris & Orton.

- 1501/02** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th December 2014 were approved and signed as a true and correct record. The Clerk to add the date of the acknowledgement of planning responses. **Proposed: Cllr Foreman, seconded: Cllr Booth. 12 for with 1 abstention.**

Declarations

- 1501/03** 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 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.”

Cllr Smedley declared a personal interest in agenda item 1501/05 2014/0419 and 2014/1307.

Cllr Fiddler declared a personal interest in agenda item 1501/05 2015/0026.

Cllr Lange & Cllr Harris declared a personal interest in agenda item 1501/05 2015/0026 & items 1501/30 & 31.

Cllr Carlile declared a personal interest in agenda item 1501/05 2014/1406 & 2015/0026.

Cllr Cooke declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 1501/05 2014/1406.

- 1501/04** To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

None outstanding.

- 1501/05** **Planning**

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

The following decisions were received from NLC.

2014/0188 – full planning permission granted to erect a stable block (resubmission PA/2013/1362) at OS Field 8023, Carr Lane, Haxey.

2014/0974 – full planning permission granted to erect an extension to an existing garage at 18 Holm Road, Westwoodside.

2014/1004 – full planning permission granted to erect sheep shelter at Elwiss Farm Bungalow, Owston Ferry Road, Low Burnham.

2014/1104 – full planning permission granted for a single storey extension to the front porch to the side and raising the ridge line to 5m at St Judes, 96 Akeferry Road, Westwoodside.

2014/1249 – Determination of the requirement for prior approval is not required for a household extension at 2 Eastmoor Villas, Epworth Road, Haxey.

The following applications were discussed by the Parish Council.

2014/0419 – Mr Embleton, 27 Low Street, Haxey – planning permission to change of use to form guest house, an extension to the existing ground first – floor accommodation to a bathroom and alterations within the existing front garden to form a small car park (amended plan).

Cllr Allcock stated that he had had this item deferred from the last Planning Committee as the application has been amended and the Parish Council had not seen the amended plans. Following detailed discussion which covered aspects of encouraging local entrepreneurial activity to there already being sufficient “guest” accommodation in the Parish:

Resolved – no objection or comments. **Proposed: Cllr Foreman, seconded: Cllr Boor, 5 for, 4 against with 4 abstentions.**

2014/1307 – Mr Marshall, 7 East Lound Road, Haxey – planning permission to remove leylandi hedge and erect (2.10m) high concrete post and timber panel fence.

Resolved – no objection, comment that the Parish Council are aware of a boundary dispute, a legal matter for NLC to deal with. **Proposed: Cllr Carlile, seconded: Cllr Booth. 7 for, 4 against with 1 abstention.**

2014/1366 – Mr Thorpe, Hill Farm, A161 between Epworth and Low Burnham – planning permission for a new vehicular access to provide access to existing barns.

Resolved – object to the application supporting the residents’ views on safety grounds with regard to the linear visibility which is less than the stopping distance. The application noted that there was only a 40m linear visibility, the Highway Code states that in wet weather the stopping distance will be at least 46m.

This is also assuming that no vehicle will be speeding at over 30mph which as past history has proved this

is the majority of the time. The Parish Council also had found it difficult to understand why NLC Highways had not highlighted these potential problems given the history of the location.

Proposed: Cllr Booth, **seconded:** Cllr Lindley. 12 for with 1 abstention.

2014/1398 – Mr Storey, 9 Akeferry Road, Westwoodside – planning permission to erect a proposed single storey extension.

Resolved – no objection or comments. **Proposed:** Cllr Foreman, **seconded:** Cllr Smedley. 11 for with 2 abstentions.

2014/1406 – Mr Smithey, Workshop, Spring Gardens, 21 Thinholme Lane, Westwoodside – planning permission to remove condition 1, 2, 4 & 7 and vary condition 3 on PA/2010/0723.

Cllr Cooke stated that conditions 1, 2 & 7 had already been completed. Condition 3 to vary, this would be allowing additional hours of work from the current 8-6 Monday to Friday and 8.30-12 on a Saturday, increasing the Saturday hours to 8-5. If condition 4 was removed this would allow the windows and doors to remain open when working in the workshop. Cllr Cooke went on to say that he has no problem with the current operations, but this is a residential area and when the conditions were originally set NLC stated that this was ‘to ensure the living conditions of nearby dwellings are protected in accordance with policy DS1 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan’.

Cllr Cooke left the room.

Resolved – Nothing has changed from a Resident perspective - Object to the application quoting the previous conditions reason as detailed above with regard to DS1 of the Local Plan. **Proposed:** Cllr Carlile, **seconded:** Cllr Booth. 8 for, 2 against and 2 abstentions.

Cllr Cooke re-joined the meeting.

2015/0012 – Mrs Kennedy, 3 Grange Court, Westwoodside – planning permission to erect a rear extension

Resolved – no objection or comments. **Proposed:** Cllr Whitehead, **seconded:** Cllr Foreman. 12 for with 1 abstention.

2015/0026 – Mr Mann, 26 Nethergate, Westwoodside – planning permission to demolish dwelling and erect a pair of semi-detached houses and attached car port.

Resolved – no objection or comments. **Proposed:** Cllr Foreman, **seconded:** Cllr Lindley. 10 for with 3 abstentions.

Comments submitted to NLC on 28/01/15	Confirmation of receipt received from NLC on 29/01/15
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b. To receive an update on outstanding planning concerns, determining further actions required.

Clampit Creek / Walkabout Farm - Notices served - took effect 31 December 2014 - compliance due 31 June 2015.

Goodburn Row - Inspection to be made to ascertain whether any breach of planning.

71 Haxey Lane - Planning refusal Appeal deadline passed - no appeal – NLC to contact applicant and consider expediency of enforcement action.

Low Burnham Garage – NLC has contacted applicant, requesting application as they suggested this would be submitted in the ‘New Year’. If no application, NLC to consider expediency of enforcement action.

Rose Cottage - No Breach of Planning as advised by email 31 October 2014.

Low Burnham Children’s Institute - ‘Enforcement’ not aware of any breach of planning - Planning case officer has requested further information from applicant following deferral. Cllr Allcock stated that he had also been in touch with Planning who have written to the applicant and were awaiting a response.

Langholme Lane Farm - Planning Application awaiting decision.

Structure adjacent to Starcroft - Mr Smith - Enforcement action to be initiated - subject to legal advice etc.

1501/06 Clerks Report

- a. Benches for the High Street and Turbary Road have been delivered. NLC have agreed to install them along with the notice boards. Once the benches are installed a small ceremony will take place with regard to the one to be located on the High Street in memory of the late Wilf Lindley – Cllrs Harris, Lindley and Smedley to arrange.
- b. Notification received of the precept request from the Parish Council to NLC.

- c. Information received from NLC Dave Sanderson with regard to works within the Parish. This information will be received prior to each meeting.
- d. ERNLLCA December & January newsletter.
- e. Green Energy Direct poster on locations to develop solar farms within the parish. Noted.
- f. Isle Shopper Survey. It was stated that this did include the parish but historically this service was not well used and therefore stopped.
- g. NLC Temporary Road Closure information.
- h. Correspondence received from Yorkshire Water with regard to water monitoring reference action following "Fracking" meeting.
- i. Recycling Scheme – North Lincolnshire information.
- j. New dog waste bin has been erected on the Owston Ferry Road.
- k. Notification received from Co-op acknowledging information provided with regard to lorry movements. Clerk to ask NLC to look into the possibility of placing 'no parking' signs to stop cars parking on the road here and to use the car park.
- l. Two tender requests for future grass cutting requirements.
- m. Information as requested - War Memorial currently insured for £39,010.35.
- n. Email received from Andrew Percy with regard to fracking which was discussed in the House of Commons on 26/01.

'The Government accepted amendments to the legislation that will increase oversight on any fracking activity. This involves requiring independent monitoring at the well head, the requirement of an environmental impact assessment, approval by the Environment Agency for any substances used in the process and also new planning powers for local Councils regarding how land must be restored after the process.

The House of Commons also voted on whether or not a moratorium on fracking should be brought in. Just 52 MPs voted for a moratorium and, having listened to local residents, I was one of those MPs. The bid obviously failed as it did not attract support from the Government or the Labour Party. Indeed, Labour's paymasters in the Unions were warning Labour MPs to not vote for a ban on fracking.

I also signed an amendment that would have banned any fracking within 1.5 miles of a village or town. This amendment was not put to a vote and so failed.

I thought you may appreciate this update. Locally, we have received no applications for fracking. If any do appear I will certainly ensure residents are informed and judge them in terms of the impact they have on local people'.

1501/07 Improvement / Projects

Highways / Neighbourhood Services / North Lincolnshire Council items

1501/08 To be notified of the Carr Lane, Low Burnham proposed Definitive Map Order determining any actions required.

Cllr Carlile stated that in essence there was no argument with this proposal but he did have concerns with regard to the definition of a 'restricted highway' as this may incur problems in the future. A Bridleway status would allow it to be gated to stop any misuse of the Lane in the future. Cllr Allcock to contact Tim Allen and discuss these concerns and report back.

1501/09 To consider the selection of a further Snow Warden.

Cllr Whitehead agreed to be the snow warden along with Cllr Allcock the head snow warden for the area.

Reports / Updates

1501/10 To receive a report from the Ward Councillor on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.

Cllr Allcock informed the meeting that the pot holes created by works on Doncaster Road had been repaired. In the Government Autumn Statement some finance has been made available to alleviate flooding and there is now a 6 year capital plan to provide defences and augment equipment including pumping stations in the Isle of Axholme as part of the Isle of Axholme Strategy.

There is to be a meeting on Friday 30th January to discuss the implementation of the Strategy.

1501/11 To receive a report from the Westwoodside Playing Field Management Committee.

The minutes of the meeting were issued prior to the Parish Council Meeting. The Pride of the Isle charity event had gone very well and a review meeting had been set up for 09/02.

- 1501/12** To receive an update on the Westwoodside Duck issue, determining any further actions required.
 The Clerk has been in touch with Natural England and the 3 options available were to shoot the ducks on site prior to the 31/01 which is the close of the open season.
 Fence the area in and place 'do not feed the duck' signs around the pond.
 Cut back the vegetation and make the area not so desirable for the ducks to live in. The vegetation has been cut back so the Parish Council will wait to see what results this will have. Ongoing issue.
- 1501/13** To receive an update on the upkeep of the East Lound Pinfold, determining any actions required.
 Cllr Smedley has been in contact with the Townsman Stan Parkin and a cost of approximately £5k had been quoted to repair the wall but it was recommended to take the entire wall down and to rebuild in old bricks, which will cost a similar price. 3 quotes will be required if option to rebuild is decided. Ongoing issue, Clerk to investigate if any Community Grant would be available to make repairs.
- 1501/14** To receive an update on the Isle of Axholme & Hatfield Chase Landscape Partnership project determining any further actions required.
 The Parish Council have submitted 6 project applications including the Meres and Pinfold, The Hood, Awards, footpaths and bridleways and Greenhill before Christmas. Cllr Carlile had attended a further meeting and the applications have to be tweaked and resubmitted for the end of the month.
 Cllr Smedley added that the East Lound Townsman had raised concerns that the meres are disappearing into the countryside. Cllr Smedley to mark up a plan of the known meres in East Lound with the Townsman.
 It was agreed to continue with the projects but the East Lound pinfold would need sorting out soon rather than waiting for the funding to be provided in 2016 if the Parish Council were successful.
- 1501/15** To receive an update on the upgrading of the parish website determining actions required.
 The Website Group have arranged to meet with a Webmaster and will provide details of upgrading the website and having more functionality for the next meeting. It was noted that an external usage facility was required.
- 1501/16** To receive an update from the Allotment Associations AGM 2015.
 The notes from the AGM were circulated prior to the meeting.
- 1501/17** To receive an update on the memorial stone repairs determining any further actions required.
 The first lot of repairs had been completed satisfactorily and the next batch would be done in the next few months.
- General Items**
- 1501/18** To be notified of the Lincolnshire Mineral and Waste Local Plan determine a response for submission.
 Cllr Knowles stated that he had read through the plan which does not affect this parish but would be monitored.
- 1501/19** To be notified of the Hallcroft NLH allocation of new houses policy determining any actions required.
 The Parish Council had, when the application was being reviewed asked for a condition to allow local residents to have first refusal. Cllr Lange stated that this does not seem to be the case.
 Cllr Allcock had spoken with the Letting Agent for NLH and had put her in touch with Cllr Lange, who had in turn put her in touch with the potential tenants in the parish.
 Cllr Lange stated that there was an event to be held by NLH scheduled for 28/01.
 Cllr Lange also stated that he had not been happy with the way this had been handled and has resigned from the Residents Association.
 Cllr Allcock also added that NLC had managed to get the properties changed to bungalows and had tried to get a planning condition placed with regard to local residents having first refusal. NLH is a business and was unable to agree this condition as they could not have the properties empty but they will try as best they can to accommodate local people who have registered and are eligible to bid for the newly built properties.
- 1501/20** To be notified of the meeting dates for 2015.
 Clerk to circulate the dates to full council and place on to the website.
- 1501/21** To be notified of the North Lincs Adult Safeguarding Board Questionnaire determining a response for submission.
 Cllr Knowles has completed. Others are encouraged to complete.

- 1501/22** To be notified of the ERNLLCA Local Council Awards Scheme determining actions required.
Cllr Knowles stated that this is something that should be seriously progressed after the 2015 Elections. Clerk to take a look to see if level one could be obtained with minimal input prior to the election.
- 1501/23** To be notified of the invitation to the Community Grant Presentation scheduled for 17/02 determining attendance.
Cllrs Allcock, Harris and Lange to attend.
- 1501/24** To be notified of the North East Bassetlaw Community Liaison Group determining actions required.
Cllrs Carlile and Fiddler to attend as Parish Council representatives until a Resident can be identified to replace one of the Parish Councillors. **Post meeting – event rearranged for 28/01.**
- 1501/25** To be notified of the Traffic Commissioners and Operators Licensing Consultation determining a response for submission.
Item noted.
- 1501/26** Request for article (s) for the next month's Arrow article.
- Charity Event update.
- 1501/27** To notify the Clerk of items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- War Memorial Railings.
 - Planting Committee report and recommendations.

Finance

- 1501/28** To consider the request from the Allotment Association for funding to deal with further drainage issues and part funding to assist with the buffer area.
Resolved – to clear the dyke / drain at a cost of £250 + vat. Assist in funding the clearing of the buffer area which has a total cost of £300 + vat.
Proposed: Cllr Knowles, **seconded:** Cllr Fiddler. 12 for with 1 abstention.
- 1501/29** To consider purchasing a replacement litter bin for the closed churchyard.
Item to be deferred to obtain costs for a new liner.

Grant Requests

- 1501/30** To consider a request from Haxey Playing Fields Association (HPFA) for further funding.
The accounting details were provided to the Council prior to the meeting. The Clerk / RFO advised the Council that a grant of £2,000 has already been provided to HPFA in this financial year and by reviewing the accounts with all outstanding invoices the HPFA would be sound until the next financial year; moreover, an extra grant had not been budgeted for in 2014/15; therefore, the RFO advised the Council not to provide a further grant to HPFA at this time.
The Clerk had provided information to HPFA on an Insurance Policy that would reduce the current policy from £1300 to just over £500.
The grass cutting contract for HPFA would be reviewed with the Parish Councils' to try and obtain a more reasonable contract.
Resolved – against the Clerks advice a grant to be provided for a sum of £1,000.
Proposed: Cllr Foreman, **seconded:** Cllr Smedley. 6 for, 5 against with 2 abstentions.
With reference to Standing Orders and in the interests of providing clarity, Cllr Knowles asked that the vote be recorded in case there are any repercussions/complaints due to the Council failing to adhere to the RFO's advice.
For – Cllrs Booth, Fiddler, Foreman, Harris, Lindley & Smedley.
Against – Cllrs Boor, Carlile, Cooke, Knowles & Whitehead.
Abstentions – Cllrs Allcock & Lange.
- 1501/31** To consider a request from Haxey Cricket Club to fund the submission of a planning application.
Cllr Lange left the room.
Resolved – Parish Council will raise the planning applications for the Cricket Club and fund the Planning Application only.
Proposed: Cllr Booth, **seconded:** Cllr Smedley. 9 for, 2 against with 1 abstention.
Cllr Lange re-joined the meeting.

Expenditure

1501/32 To consider the following accounts and any received after the agenda has been issued and payment is required before the next meeting.

Salary, expenses & admin	See Appendix A		
HMRC	Employers NI	2238	£96.37
HMRC	Employees NI & Tax	2238	£183.80
Arrow Publication Ltd	Article	2239	£102.60
Complete Office Solutions	Stationery	2240	£131.44
Haxey Memorial Hall	Hire of Office	2241	£18.00
T Foreman	WWS Expenditure	2242	£147.59
R Foreman	WWS Expenditure	2243	£80.00
T Foreman	WWS Expenditure	2244	£17.21
Serenity Memorials	Memorial repair works	2245	£759.91
P W Cooper	WWS Expenditure	2246	£57.60
Haxey PFA	Grant	2247	£1,000
Total Expenditure 27th January, 2015			£2,498.15

It was proposed by Cllr Carlile, seconded by Cllr Boor to approve the expenditure. All in favour.

1501/33 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as being Tuesday 24th February, 2015 at 7pm to be held in The Foreman Carter Centre, Westwoodside.

Post Meeting Note – Following the lighting problems experienced during the meeting the Westwoodside Playing Fields Management Committee has taken an action to have the electrical system checked over as a matter of urgency and apologises to Councillors and the Public for any inconvenience caused during the meeting.

.....Chairman

Appendix A

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 – the Parish Council are responsible for these cost, grants to be investigated.	Cost Quotations underway
	Haxey Turbary Access road	On-going
2013/216	STWA work on Doncaster Rd	On-going
	Potential Fracking Issue	On-going
2013/245	Cemetery requirements	On-going
	Closed churchyard remedial work	Commence Jan 15
	NHP – future development plans	On-going
	WWS Pond ducks.	Winter 2014
2014/39	Clerk to ensure that ALL Parish land is registered with the Land Registry	On-going
2014/81	Gollands Lane Traffic	On-going

2014/99	Haxey Playing Fields	On-going
2014/177	Enforcement Issues	On-going
2014/276	Local Awards Working Group	Report back to Full Council in 2 months (Feb 15)
2014/277	Summer Planting Working group	On-going
2014/309	NLC Site meeting at Greenhill with regard to parking issue.	On-going – wait for available Meeting dates – Cllr Harris.
2015/22	Local Council Awards Scheme	Post May 2015

Appendix B – Abbreviations

AA	Allotment Association
BR	Bridleway
CCC	Caravan & Camping Club
CEP	Community Emergency Plan
Cllrs	Councillors
DCO	Dog Control Order
DPD	Development Plan Document
EA	Environmental Agency
ERNLLCA	East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Council Advisors
FP	Footpath
GPDO	General Permitted Development Order
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
NHP	Neighbourhood Plans
NLC	North Lincolnshire Council
NLH	North Lincolnshire Homes
PCC	Parochial Church Council
PCC	Police Crime Commissioner
PP	Planning permission
PPAG	Parish Plan Action Group
PROW	Public Right of Way
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
TEN	Temporary Event Notice
T & PC	Town & Parish Council
WP	Working Party
WPFA	Westwoodside Playing Field Association
WPFMC	Westwoodside Playing Field Management Committee
WWS	Westwoodside