

LUDDINGTON & HALDENBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th June 2022 at 7pm at the Village Hall, Luddington.

Present: Cllr R Adams (Chair), Cllr C Winters, Cllr L Simm, Cllr R Thorpe
Ward Cllr J Briggs, Ward Cllr J Reed.

2206/01 To Note apologies for absence and resignations.

Apologies received from the clerk, Jane Christophers and Cllr Walker.

The Council has received a letter of resignation from the Clerk.

The Council RESOLVED to advertise both Councillor vacancies (2) and the Clerk vacancy using Facebook and the newsletter as well as contacting parties that might be able to assist, Ward Cllr Reed to provide contact information of possible organisations / individuals.

2206/02 Public Participation.

The Council welcomed Mr Allen. Mr Allen reported that he had been in contact with North Lincs Council on the matter of the development of land off Halkon Close and drew the meeting's attention to the state of the field designated for this development. The grass is knee high and is of a meadow grass type and is beginning to shed seeds which are detrimental to the gardens of neighbouring properties.

2206/03 Declaration of Interest.

No declarations of interest.

2206/04 Minutes of previous meeting.

The council RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 9th May as a correct record and they were signed by the chair.

2206/05 Clerks Report/Accounts.

In the absence of the clerk the chair presented a financial statement.

The bank account balance as of 6th June 2022 £14,934.85

Invoices to be paid:

2 Invoices from Complete Weed Control representing 1st & 2nd of nine contracted cuts to highlighted grassed areas - 2 x £777.60 inc VAT

1 Invoice from CEC representing 1st cut of three contracted cuts of rights of way in the parish.
£348.00 inc VAT

The council RESOLVED that these invoices be paid by bank transfer.

The Chair confirmed that the first "emergency" cut of the playing field had been completed and that the contractor had been invited to repeat but had yet to respond. The council RESOLVED to continue with this contractor until our own tractor has been repaired.

2206/07 Report from Ward Cllrs on NLC issues.

Meredyke Road memorial – see “Improvements on the Square”.

2206/08 Reports.

To receive an update report on the following areas determining any actions required.

Bank Account – All matters.

The Council RESOLVED that an additional, separate, account for the management of grants would not be necessary.

The Chair reported continued difficulty with dealings with the Royal Bank of Scotland and the Council RESOLVED that, should it become necessary, the Chair could seek an alternative bank for the council’s finances but that the council should remain with RBS at present.

The Chair reported that following Cllr Carver’s resignation he is no longer a signatory for the PC’s bank accounts.

Village Newsletter.

The council RESOLVED the next newsletter will be available in July and would carry reports of the Jubilee weekend and that the annual garden competition be announced with the judging to take place in August.

Footpaths.

The Council RESOLVED that no further activity by the council had taken place. The Chair, however, reported that former Councillor Carver was maintaining his interest in the parish rights of way and working alongside of the council in this matter.

Pavements

The council RESOLVED that this is ongoing, and the Clerk will continue to liaise with NLC as and when required and that this agenda item be henceforth known as “Highways” to broaden the scope of the item

Improvements on the square

The council RESOLVED that the improvements could be incorporated into the War memorial funding. Ward Cllr Reed reported that there are still issues with materials availability and the Council RESOLVED that a fresh look at the design was needed and that discussion would take place at a later date.

Playing Field Committee.

The council have previously RESOLVED that the playing field committee would hold quarterly meetings and will feed back updates/plans at the monthly Parish Council meetings. No meeting has taken place since this resolution. Cllr Reed reminded the meeting that it had previously discussed moving or updating the gate to the playing field and The Council RESOLVED that Cllr Reed should obtain quotes. The Council RESOLVED that the agenda item “Bollards” should be removed.

Northern Forest Planting Scheme.

The council RESOLVED that the application had been submitted, trees identified and ordered. The Chair reported that the NLC Highways had provided dimensions for Church Mere but that contact was needed with the landowner of the adjoining field. The Council RESOLVED to make such contact.

Contracts for grass cutting.

The Council RESOLVED that this agenda item could now be removed as contracts are now in place.

Tractor repairs.

The Chair confirmed that the contractor, Mr Harper, had received no communication from the supplier and the anticipated date for repairs is now unknown. The Chair reported that there were no scheduled

cricket matches until July. The Council RESOLVED that the Chair should contact Mr Harper for an update. See also 2206/05.

The clerk has previously pointed out that a maintenance schedule needs to be introduced and all volunteers using the grass cutting equipment on the playing field should be adequately trained and then documented.

Online Documentation.

The council RESOLVED that those documents that clerk had updated were acceptable and will be placed on the website and noted that those documents with a “responsible person” listed still need to be updated.

Speeding in the village.

Cllr Reed reported that there is an Isle of Axholme initiative for villagers from different parishes to monitor rather than have residents monitor their own village. The council RESOLVED to continue keeping a watchful eye over speeding and review at next meeting.

2206/09 Police Matters / NATs / Neighbourhood Watch.

Ward Cllr J Briggs will ensure Cllr C Winters is added to the circulation list for meetings.

Next meeting Thursday 21st July 2022 at 7pm

2206/10 Highways /NLC Issues / Parish Issues.

No Further Action.

2206/10 Planning.

No new Planning Applications reported but changes have been made to PA/2021/645, these changes do not address the issues raised previously and the Chair has re-iterated the Council’s objections.

Planning meeting at Church Square House @ 2pm 7th July 2022.

Changes have also been made to PA/2022/1040. The Council RESOLVED that the Chair should discuss the changes with affected residents.

A planning meeting is scheduled for the Halkon Close development.

July 5th at 2pm Church House, Scunthorpe DN15 6NL

2206/11 Correspondence.

No Further Action.

2206/12 Microgrant Applications.

A Grant for £300.00 was awarded K. Darley for an event held on school grounds but open to the whole village.

2206/13 Agenda Items for the next meeting.

Maintenance of land of Halkon Close as per Mr Allen’s complaint above.

No other additional items at present.

2206/14 To confirm date for next meeting.

Monday 4th July 2022 at 7pm at Luddington Village Hall.

Minutes approved 4/7/2022
R.M.Adams - Chair