

SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Grantham, Lincolnshire

Chairman: Graham Page **Vice-Chairman:** Richard Wrigley

Councillors: Andy Bunce, Neville Clark, Francis Disney, Rory Grindey, Stuart Millington.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at Skillington Village Hall on Monday 4th February 2019 at 7.30pm.

Please note: These minutes are published in draft form and are subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Council.

Present: Cllr G. Page (Chairman), Cllrs. R Wrigley, S. Millington, A. Bunce, F. Disney and N. Clark.

In Attendance: Cllr. Bob Adams (LCC and SKDC) and Mrs. P Harrison (Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. R Grindey and A Webster (SKDC)
2. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 7th January 2019:** were agreed and signed into minutes.
3. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
 - 4.1 18.11/9.3 LCC Winter preparations: Our Snow Warden, Cllr. Bunce heard from SKDC when the grit was on its way. The grit was delivered to the Village Hall.
 - 4.2 18.12/9.2 Defibrillator Training: Cllr. Wrigley contacted Community Heartbeat for a training course. This will cost £175 plus VAT. This may be for up to 50 people, so may possibly be shared with Colsterworth. Cllr. Adams encouraged us to fill in a Member Grant Scheme form, to provide some funds for this training. Cllr Wrigley is liaising with the Village Hall, regarding a date. It was noted the Defibrillator pads need replacing.
 - 4.3 18.11/9.6 Blocked drains: All the drains have now been cleared.
 - 4.4 19.01/4.3 Road resurfacing: After contacting the Council, the road surfacing work was reinstated. This work has been completed satisfactorily, apart from some of the white lines, to be completed soon.
 - 4.5 18.11/9.8 Elections in May: A schedule will be sent from the Council in due course.
 - 4.6 19.01/9.2 Village planters: All four planters have now been weeded. Cllr Bunce proposed and Cllr Wrigley seconded a formal thanks to Cllr Grindey and Cllr Clark for all their work. Cllr Millington volunteered to replant the one in Middle Street.
 - 4.7 19.01/9.3 Rubble dropped by HGVs. This has happened again and has been reported to LCC. Details are to be sent to Cllr Adams.
 - 4.8 19.01/11.1 Paddock fence. The fence between the upper and lower paddock has rotted and needs replacing. The Chairman met Mr Stoneman, who will obtain a quote. Cost allocation to be determined.
5. **Planning applications:**
 - 5.1 PL/0121/18 Mineral site: Proposed Skillington Quarry: land to East and West of Crabtree Road, Colsterworth. Awaiting consideration.
 - 5.2 PL/0076/18 Mineral site: Proposed Skillington Quarry, Land to the East and West of Skillington Road, Colsterworth. Awaiting consideration. These two applications were discussed together. It is hoped with the various comments and recommendations; more conditions may be imposed on the assumed permission.
 - 5.3. Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
 - 6.1. Headstones: It was noted that the laid down headstones need in-setting. We will obtain quotes for this work.
 - 6.2. Review of Cemetery fees: The fees were discussed. These need to be fair for Parishioners, but not encouraging to Non-Parishioners. Cllr Bunce proposed and Cllr Clark seconded the revised scale.
 - 6.3. Any maintenance or other matters arising: A revised scale of charges is needed.
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
 - 7.1. Bank Balances at 31st January 2019:
 - 7.1.1. *Yorkshire Bank a/c: £3253.61 after invoices paid.*
 - 7.1.2. *Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c £11,610.13.*
 - 7.2. Income received in January:

Signed: Chairman

Date

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>

7.3. Invoices due for payment in January. The cheques were signed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. It was agreed to reimburse Cllr Clark for the preservation treatment for the benches, on receipt of an invoice.

<i>Date of Payment</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Date & Minute No. of Approval</i>	<i>Net Amount £</i>	<i>VAT £</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
31.01.19	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: January 2019 (including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	121.93		121.93
31.01.19	The Community Heartbeat Trust	Replacement defibrillator pads	4.2.19 Page 2199 Item 4.2	38.00		38.00

8 Clerk's Report:

8.1 Grassed area at access to Chapel: Still outstanding. The Clerk will contact Rowan Smith from Highways, to discuss this and to also discuss the Chairman's email regarding Stonepit Lane.

9 Matters to be discussed at this meeting:

9.1 Western Power: An exploratory bore-hole will be dug, to try and resolve an underground cable problem. This will then be made good. The Clerk has asked that the newly laid road surface is not dug up.

9.2. SKDC: The Councillors were requested to complete a questionnaire and return to SKDC, regarding Council Tax increases.

10 District and County Councillor's Reports.

Cllr Adams briefly apprised the Parish Council on the likely council tax rates for LCC and SKDC.

11 Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman.

11.1 Work is needed around the bus shelter. Some Councillors volunteered to help with this.

The Clerk will enquire of EnvironmentSK regarding the rose bushes and elder on Stonepit Lane.

11.2 There is some pruning work needed at the Cemetery.

12 The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 4th March 2019 at Skillington Village Hall.

Signed: Chairman

Date