

## SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Grantham, Lincolnshire

**Chair:** Richard Wrigley **Vice-Chair:** Rory Grindey  
**Councillors:** Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Bronwyn Hedley, Roseanne McKee.  
**Parish Clerk:** Pamela Harrison (Mrs), 9 Telford Way, Colsterworth, Grantham, Lincs. NG33 5GH  
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Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 6.30pm at Skillington Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllr R. Wrigley (Chair), Cllrs N. Clark and R. McKee.

**In Attendance:** Cllr B. Green (SKDC), Mrs P. Harrison (Clerk).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Burrows, Grindey and Hedley. Cllr D. Bellamy (SKDC) and Cllr C. Vernon (LCC).
2. **Councillors' Declaration of Interest:** None.
3. **Notes of meeting of the Parish Council on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023:** Agreed and signed into minutes.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
  - 4.1 04.23/11.2 Extra Notice Board: *The notice board is beyond repair. It has been agreed to remove it and monitor village feeling.*
  - 4.2 04.23/11.3 Update on Blue Plaque: *No further news.*
  - 4.3 04.23/11.4 Update on Prosperity Fund proposal: *This is not thought appropriate to our needs.*
  - 4.4 05.23/13.1 Casual Vacancy: *This has been reported to SKDC and advertised on Skillington Life and the Notice Board.*
  - 4.5 05.23/13.2 Repairs to the Fish Well: *One quotation has been received; we are awaiting the second and a third person is to look at the repairs needed .*
5. **Planning applications:**
  - 5.1 S23/0869 Mr N. Murphy, Skillington House, Park Lane: Ash Tree – to pollard. *Work allowed.*
  - 5.2 S23/1134 Mrs J McMunn, Moot Cottage, 2 Park Lane: Section 211 notice to remove Conifer tree.
  - 5.3 Any further applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
  - 6.1 Any maintenance or other matters arising: Cllr Clark was thanked for repairing the water butt spout. However, someone has broken off part of the tap again.
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
  - 7.1 Bank Balances as at 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023:  
*Virgin Money a/c: £1907.05 after invoices paid.*  
*Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: £16048.65.*
  - 7.2 Income received in June: None.

Date of Receipt	Name	Details	Notes	Total Amount £

- 7.3 Invoices due for payment in June.

Date	Name	Details	Date & Minute No. of Approval	Net Amount £	VAT £	Total Amount £
30.06.23	Colsterworth and District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: June 2023 (inc. emptying 5 dog bins @ £2.50 p/bin/month).	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	155.82		155.82
30.06.23	BDG Mowing	Village mowing 22.5, 6 & 19.6 and LCC mowing 22.5 & 13.6	2.3.20 Page 2224 Item 8.1	449.00		449.00

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

30.06.23	Mrs P Harrison	Clerk's salary and expenses	4.6.18 Page 2183 Item 4.4	841.66		841.66
30.06.23	R Wrigley	Defibrillator pads	10.7.23 Page 2302 Item 9.2	46.95	9.39	56.34

**8. Clerk's Report:**

- 8.1 Resignation of Councillor: Cllr Burrows has resigned due to work and family commitments. The Clerk is to send a form for official resignation and will notify SKDC.
- 8.2 Police Commissioners CCTV Review Survey: This has been sent round to Councillors.

**9. Matters to be discussed at this meeting:**

- 9.1 Complaint Re excessive bell ringing: *This was a one-off full peal to commemorate N Sharpe's dedication to the village and bell ringing.*
- 9.2 Defibrillator: This was used some weeks ago and Cllr Wrigley ordered more pads.

**10. District and County Councillor's Reports:** Cllr Green has requested that residents to sign a petition regarding PCSO visits to Parish Councils. It can be found at: <https://bit.ly/RestorePCSOvisits>. SKDC is considering turning their streetlights off between Midnight and 6am following an accelerated transition to more efficient LED lights. Cllr Green proposes that 1am to 6am might be more acceptable, given violent crime appears to drop off considerably after 1am. Discussions are ongoing about littering up the A1, which is SKDC's responsibility to clean. Cllr Green is pushing the new Administration to meet its responsibilities. Residents with pothole concerns should ensure they report the potholes on FixMyStreet. Cllr Green has a proposal to emulate Rushcliffe BC regarding battery collection in small bags alongside normal refuse waste and has tabled a motion accordingly. The Drift is an ongoing concern.

**11. Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman:**

- 11.1 Complaints have been received about noxious odour smell from the lagoon on Crabtree Lane. There have been, and should continue to be, reported to the Environment Agency for investigation.

The meeting was closed at 7.20pm.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 6.30pm. This will be held at Skillington Village Hall.**