

SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Grantham, Lincolnshire

Chair: Richard Wrigley Vice-Chair: Rory Grindey

Councillors: Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Bronwyn Hedley, Roseanne McKee and Stuart Millington.

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting, held on Wednesday 6th March 2023 at 8.00pm at Skillington Village Hall.

Present: Cllr R. Wrigley (Chair), Cllrs N. Clark, B. Hedley, S. Millington and R. McKee.

In attendance: Cllr D. Bellamy (SKDC) and Mrs P. Harrison (Clerk).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs R. Grindey, S. Burrows, B. Green (SKDC) and C. Vernon (LCC).
2. **Notes of the Parish Council meeting on 6th February 2023:** Agreed and signed into minutes.
3. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** Cllr N. Clark. (Item 4.1)
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
 - 4.1 11.22/9.1 Top green tree work: Cllr Wrigley has received 4 quotations, the lowest was from Simpson Arboriculture for £480. They have been asked to complete the work, when planning consent is received.
 - 4.2 10.23/8.2 Councillor Code of Conduct: It has been agreed to adopt the model Code of Conduct from SKDC
 - 4.3 02.23/11.1 Streetlight on corner of Sproxton Road and Church Street: This has been mended.
 - 4.4 02.23/11.2 Stile on footpath: LCC has been informed.
 - 4.5 02.23/11.4 Potentially dangerous dog: This item was discussed, as further correspondence has been received. The PC noted the involvement of Ian Simmonds, SKDC Neighbourhood Officer, with the parties concerned.
 - 4.6 02.23/11.5 Village Hall light: To be monitored.
5. **Planning applications:**
 - 5.1 Any late Planning Applications submitted: *None*.
6. **Cemetery:**
 - 6.1 Review of Cemetery charges: It was agreed the charges should remain at the current level.
 - 6.2 Any maintenance or other matters arising: The Chair has contacted Mr W. Murdoch regarding the Cemetery extension.
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
 - 7.1 Bank Balances as at 25th February 2023:
Virgin Money Store a/c: £1743.61 after invoices paid.
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £14008.49.
 - 7.2 Income received in February:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
27.01.23	LCC	Grass cutting reimbursement for 2022	Invoice ref 22/009	569.81
01.02.23	R Bowen	Quarterly Paddock rent -Jan to March		125.00
01.02.23	Melton Mowbray BS	Funds transfer to Current Account		1000.00

7.3 Invoices due for payment in February.

<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>
28.02.23	Colsterworth and District Parish	Community Cleaner: Feb 2023 (inc. emptying 5 dog bins @	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	145.70		145.70

Signed: Chairman

Date

	<i>Council</i>	<i>£2.50 p/bin/month).</i>				
28.02.23	SKDC	Green bin for St James's Church	Per budget	49.00		49.00

8. Clerk's Report:

- 8.1 A briefing regarding the May Elections was held on Monday 6th March at 6pm: Due to the Election, the May Parish Council AGM will need to be postponed by one week, to 10th May.
- 8.2 The Great British Spring Clean: It was agreed to hold a litter pick on **Sunday 26th March at 2pm.**
All residents are welcome to join us.

9. Matters to be discussed at this meeting:

- 9.1 Coronation of Charles III on 6th May: It was agreed ask the V Hall committee if they have any plans.
- 9.2 Offer of a Cedar Deodata sapling: A very kind offer, but was thought to be too large for the planned planting spot.

10. District and County Councillor's Reports:

Cllr Bellamy informed the PC about a new Community Ownership Fund, which would allow groups to buy assets for the community. There will be night-time road closures on the A1.

Cllr Bellamy informed the PC that photo ID will be required at the Polling Station in May.

There is advice on the cost of living on the SKDC website. Currently there is a £2 cap on single bus fares.

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

- 11.1 There is a road closure on 20th March on Park Lane from 8am to 3pm.
- 11.2 The Chair has asked that the July meeting be moved from Monday 3rd to Tuesday 4th July.
- 11.3 There was a query over when draft minutes should be publicly published. The answer is 'Guidance from the SLCC guide THE ESSENTIAL CLERK states "It is good practice for the clerk to make the minutes available for public inspection as soon as possible after the meeting. Prior to signing they can be labelled 'draft minutes' (or notes)'.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

The next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting and is scheduled to be on Monday 3rd April 2023 at 6.30pm at Skillington Village Hall. The ordinary Parish Council Meeting will follow it.