

SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Grantham, Lincolnshire

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Councillors: Andy Bunce, Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Francis Disney and Stuart Millington.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held by Zoom on Monday 2nd November 2020 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. R. Wrigley (Chairman), Cllrs. F. Disney and R. Grindey.

In attendance: Cllrs B. Adams (LCC and SKDC) and D. Bellamy (SKDC) Mrs P. Harrison (Clerk).

It was noted that this, and all future zoom meetings, will be recorded. Recordings will be kept for six months.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. N. Clark, S. Burrows and S. Millington, PCSO. S. Bowden.
Did not attend: Cllr. A. Bunce
2. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None declared.
3. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 5th October 2020.** Cllr. Bellamy asked to note that in the October minutes, he had been asked to enquire about the query planning permission and not Cllr. Adams.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
 - 4.1 18.11/9.6 Ditch on the South side of Sproxtton Road: This is awaiting action by Mr W. Murdoch. The Chair will attempt to get a response.
 - 4.2 09.20/10.1 Location of Parish Council meetings: This is being held over, as we cannot physically meet. The Chair had attempted to have a meeting with the Village Hall Chair and will continue to try and contact him.
 - 4.3 09.20/10.3 Skillington Neighbourhood Plan: The PC has been forwarded an update. However, The Paddock will not form any part of any future plans, as it has been left in trust as a conservation area.
 - 4.4 09.20/11.1 Paddock wall and tree: This is being attended to. Cllr. Grindey forwarded a copy of a letter explaining the situation from John Stoneman.
 - 4.5 09.20/11.3 Blocked drain on Stonepit Lane: This has been reported and needs to be monitored. The gully running from Park Lane and Church Street is riparian; hence adjacent landowners will be contacted if it blocks.
 - 4.6 09.20/11.4 Streetlight adjacent to Village Hall: It has a white label and numbered 26. SKDC will be contacted to investigate. The Village Hall committee needs to look at their records from when it was installed.
 - 4.7 09.20/11.5 Overhanging branches: LCC has contacted the PC regarding the Lower Green cherry. They will not attend to it, so the PC should get a quote for pruning. Highways have also raised concerns over other overhanging trees on the Square. The work required is more than can be handled by the PC and helpers. A quotation will be obtained from BCG.
5. **Planning applications:**
 - 5.1 S20/1096 Mr P Lord, Cotswold Farm, Crabtree Road: Agricultural/forestry building including 4 No. Biomass Boilers and flues (revision of application S19/1879) *Pending consideration.*
 - 5.2 S20/1445 St James's Church, Park Lane: Skillington PCC: replacement of existing lead roof covering the north/south aisles and transept, with apecan uginox FME tinned K44 stainless steel. Replacement and/or overboarding timbers beneath new covering. *Pending consideration.*
 - 5.3 Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
 - 6.1 Proposed cemetery extension: *A letter sent to Mr W. Murdoch regarding his written confirmation, and details of a solicitors awaits a reply.*
 - 6.2 Any maintenance or other matters arising: *The shed door painting is still awaiting the contractor for a quotation. Thanks to Claude Woodcock for mending the guttering connected to the drain pipe, feeding the water butt.*
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
 - 7.1 Bank Balances at 25th October 2020:
Yorkshire Bank a/c: £2892.65 after invoices paid.
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £14867.11.
 - 7.2 Income received in October: None.

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 October.

<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>
31.10.20	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: October 2020 including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	136.72		136.72
31.10.20	BDG Mowing Contractors	Mowing 10 & 24.8. and 14.9 Village 210 LCC 24.8 £80	2.3.20 Page 2224 Item 8.1	290.00		290.00
31.10.10	Paul Parris (Skillington Life)	Domain name rental and Web hosting for 24 months	As per budget	82.90	16.58	99.48

8. **Clerk's Report:** The Auditor has been contacted regarding the PC's six month audit.

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

9.1 Website – Domain name rental and web hosting for a further 2 years is due for renewal: *This was approved.*

10 **District and County Councillor's Reports.** Cllr. Bellamy informed the Parish Council that the plan queried on Lord's Lane had been more satisfactory than the one which was passed. There is only room for one car, whereas they are advertised as having four parking spaces. The upper floor plan does not correspond to the actual build. He will contact Bill Richards, Head of Planning. Cllr. Adams reported that all meetings were now back on zoom.

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

11.1 The Skillington Community Aid What's App group is working very well.

11.2 The gridlock in Skillington last Thursday, when the A1 was closed was discussed. There were two-way HGV lorries passing through and blocking the road. It was decided to write to Highways Dept and the Police regarding any future arrangements if the A1 should close in the vicinity again.

11.3 The Parish Council wish to thank Cllr. Grindey for arranging to liaise with Tata Steel about bridges on Crabtree lane and Grantham Rd, which will hopefully be inspected on the weekend of 7/8 November.

12 The meeting was closed at 8.50 pm.

Our next meeting is scheduled to be Monday 7th December 2020. It will be held via zoom at 7.30 pm, subject to the current state of Government (Covid-19) restrictions and advice.

Signed: Chairman

Date