

## 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 at Skillington Village Hall, on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 6.30pm.

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

**In attendance:** Cllr B. Green (SKDC) and Mrs P. Harrison (Clerk). Mrs C. Weston (Resident)

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr R. Grindey, S. Millington, C. Vernon (LCC) and R. Bellamy (SKDC).

2. **Notes of the Parish Council meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022:** Agreed and signed into minutes.

3. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None declared.

4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**

- 4.1 04.22/11.3 The bridge on Crabtree Lane: Cllr Grindey is still awaiting a response. RG
- 4.2 09.22/8.1 Lords Lane: Continues to be a problem. More residents have contacted the Chair with comments and vehicles are still having difficulty in getting through. Cllr Green suggested a temporary 'Narrow Road' signs. RW
- 4.3 09.22/11.1 The Notice Board on the side of the bus shelter needs repainting.
- 4.4 10.22/10.1 PCSO situation: Our current PCSO has been on long term sick leave. Cllr Green has corresponded with Grantham Police, who informed him that new recruits are being trained and we might get a new PCSO for this area in the New Year.

5. **Planning applications:**

- 5.1 S22/1735 CWB (N Doughty) Trust, Skillington House, Park Lane: Removal and replacement of casement windows to annex range. *Permission granted.*
- 5.2 S22/1736 CWB (N Doughty) Trust, Skillington House, Park Lane: Removal and replacement of casement windows to annex range. Listed building consent *Permission granted.*
- 5.3 S22/1916 Mr D Kirton, School Bank, Colsterworth Road: Removal of 2 oblong glazed panels at either end of the front elevation of the property and replacing with blockwork silicone. Rendered as previous approval S22/1517. *No objections.*
- 5.4 Any late Planning Applications submitted. *None.*

6. **Cemetery:**

- 6.1 Any maintenance or other matters arising: The hedges have been trimmed and the rubbish removed. The gates may need a further coat of paint. One recent grave needs to be checked occasionally, as turf has been removed a little soon and it may sink.

7. **Payments and Accounts:**

- 7.1 Bank Balances as at 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022:  
Virgin Money Store a/c: £1273.55 after invoices paid.  
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £15008.49.
- 7.2 Income received in October:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
12.10.22	R Bowen	Paddock rent	Payment of annual increase (2 <sup>nd</sup> payment)	£30.00

7.3 Invoices due for payment in October.

<i>Date of Payment</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Date &amp; Minute No. of Approval</i>	<i>Net Amount £</i>	<i>VAT £</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
31.10.22	Colsterworth and	Community Cleaner: Oct 2022	6.10.14 Page 2091	145.70		145.70

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

	<i>District Parish Council</i>	<i>(inc. emptying 5 dog bins @ £2.50 p/bin/month).</i>	<i>Item 8.6</i>			
31.10.22	<i>Mr P Parris</i>	<i>Website domain name and hosting renewal (2 years)</i>	<i>Per budget</i>	<i>105.94</i>	<i>21.19</i>	<i>127.13</i>
31.10.22	<i>LALC</i>	<i>New Councillor training x 3</i>	<i>Per budget</i>	<i>69.00</i>	<i>13.80</i>	<i>82.80</i>

7.4 The six-monthly audit has been completed and sent round to the Councillors.

**8. Clerk's Report:**

- 8.1 All the Councillors have now been on the LALC training course.  
8.2 The Clerk has attended a budgeting and Precept setting meeting.

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

- 9.1 Top green tree work. The Chair will consult with Cllr Clark.  
9.2 Christmas Tree on The Square: Councillors will source quotes. Consideration also to a planted tree.  
9.3 Warm Spaces Initiative: The Methodist Church will be open for 2 hours – 12 noon to 2pm on a Tuesday.  
9.4 Skillington Life: This is an excellent asset for the whole village. Paul Parris is currently managing the website, but would like to retire in the next few years. Anyone interested in taking over should look at the website.

**10. District and County Councillor's Reports.**

Cllr Green was pleased to see the Battery Collection Scheme in the Bus Shelter. He also reported he has spoken to the Police and Andy Savage (LCC) about The Drift. Landowners have been consulted and things are moving in the right direction, but it may be next year before we see barriers or signs.

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

- 11.1 Hedgehog signs: Cllr Green suggested more 30 mph signs throughout the village, to slow down traffic. This had worked well in Barrowby Gate, Grantham. The signs are available free of charge from LCC. Two residents had offered to contribute towards the cost of hedgehog signs.  
11.2 Any events needing publicity should be put on the Skillington Facebook page.  
11.3 Cllr. Burrows had a further suggestion for a play area on Stonepit Lane. She and The Chair will meet to look at two proposed sites.  
11.4 Mrs Weston commented on a previous minute about parking at the Bus Stop.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.

**The next meeting is scheduled to be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 6.30pm at Skillington Village Hall.**

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....