

## SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Grantham, Lincolnshire

**Chairman:** Richard Wrigley **Vice-Chairman:** Rory Grindey  
**Councillors:** Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Francis Disney and Stuart Millington.  
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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Skillington Village Hall on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllrs R. Wrigley, R. Grindey, S. Millington, F. Disney, S. Burrows, and N. Clark.

**In attendance:** Cllr D. Bellamy (SKDC) (arrived at 7.45) Mrs R. McKee, Mrs P. Harrison (Clerk).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr B. Adams (SKDC & LCC) PCSO. S. Bowden.
2. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** Cllr. F Disney (5.1)
3. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021:** Agreed and signed into minutes.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
  - 4.1 09.20/11.5 Swing on The Square: The Clerk will contact BT to discuss the concrete lid to their cables, which has become a potentially dangerous trip hazard.
  - 4.2 05.21/13.1 Further purchase of a dog bin: The new bin has been delivered and installed. It will be brought to the attention of the Community Cleaners.
  - 4.3 06.21/12.5 Casual vacancy due to Councillor stepping down: *Notices have been posted.*
5. **Planning applications:**
  - 5.1 S21/1608 Mr G Jones, Red Barn, Colsterworth Road: Proposed porch and replacement window: : The Clerk will draw to the attention of SKDC Planning the inconsistency between the statement that only one set of windows in a new porch were to be replaced, and the reality of the work, as shown in submitted drawings, which will involve all windows being replaced *Conditionally approved.*
  - 5.2 S21/1579 Lincolnshire Rivers Trust: Land on the East side of Grantham Road: Restoration works to 1km stretch of Cringle Brook (including excavation to create inset floodplains) to reinstate river process and improve biodiversity. *Pending consideration.*
  - 5.3 S21/1436 Miss Charlotte Wesson: Cross Swords, The Square: Doorway/fire escape upstairs for accommodation above pub. Railings to provide barrier to prevent falling from roof (Retrospective). *Conditionally approved.*
  - 5.4 Any other planning applications.
6. **Cemetery:**
  - 6.1 Proposed cemetery extension: *Willie Murdoch's Solicitors are awaiting his instruction.*
  - 6.2 Any maintenance or other matters arising: *The trellis on the side of the shed has been replaced. The waste heap and a large conifer have been removed.*
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
  - 7.1 Bank Balances at 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021:  
Virgin Money a/c: £937.32 after invoices paid.  
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £14962.26.
  - 7.2 Income received in October:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
04.10.21	Set in Stone	<i>Re: the late S. and W. L. Rose memorial</i>	Invoice 200665	180.00
07.10.21	R. Holland	<i>Re: the late J. Mitchell - ashes</i>	Invoice 200667	70.00

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>

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

31.10.21	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: October 2021 including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	138.81		138.81
31.10.21	BDG Mowing Contractors	Mowing 15 & 27-9, 11-10 Village £210. LCC 28-9 £80	2.3.20 Page 2224 Item 8.1	290.00		290.00
31.10.21	Cllr. R Wrigley Re: Kingfisher direct	Dog waste bin	7.6.21 Page 2254 Item 5.3	103.29	20.66	123.95

7.4 Half yearly audit: The half yearly accounts will be sent to the auditor.

#### 8. Clerk's Report:

- 8.1 Correspondence from Saltby Airfield. *It was agreed that Cllr. Grindey should be the contact for them.*
- 8.2 Admissions consultation: *Anyone requiring information on the 2023-24 admissions should contact the Clerk.*

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

- 9.1 VETS training: *Resident Adrian Clark is willing to provide the training, with a provisional date of 17th November. The PC agreed to make a donation of £100 to the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance given Adrian's willingness to do this session with no charge.*

10. **District and County Councillor's Reports:** Cllr Grindey was asked to send a photo of the area of pavement adjacent to bus shelter needing repair to Cllr Bellamy.

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

- 11.1 Cllr Millington reminded the PC of the suggestion to pay for a bench in memory of Bill Meads and to site it looking towards the church on the top of Back Lane. Cllr Millington has spoken to the family, who gave their consent. The Chair will investigate benches and costs.
- 11.2 The light outside the Village Hall is currently only turned on when events happen at the VH. It was agreed that it would be desirable for the light to be on in the evening. As previously discussed, the terms of the light's installation include the electricity bill to be paid by the VH. The Clerk will forward details of the agreement with LCC and the Village Hall, when it was first erected. The Clerk will ask LCC whether the bulb could be replaced with an LED bulb to reduce electricity consumption.

The meeting was closed at 8.25 pm.

**The next meeting is scheduled to be on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at Skillington Village Hall, at 7.30 pm.**

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....