

SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Grantham, Lincolnshire

Chairman: Richard Wrigley Vice-Chairman: Andy Bunce

Councillors: Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Francis Disney, Rory Grindey, Stuart Millington.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held by Zoom on Monday 5th October 2020 at 7.30pm.

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

In attendance: Cllrs B. Adams (LCC and SKDC) (from 8pm) 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. A policy document, covering retention and public access, was circulated and approved.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. N. Clark and A. Bunce. PCSO. S. Bowden.
2. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None declared.
3. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 8th September 2020.** The Chair reminded Councillors that Minutes were to be approved, not discussed. He moved an amendment, that in 8th September Minutes item 10.1, wording was slightly amended. This was agreed. In light of the approved Minutes for 8 Sept 2020, a statement as defined by the Code of Conduct, the Chair moved a motion of No Confidence in the Vice-Chair. This was approved by a majority. Nominations were therefore requested for a replacement. Rory Grindey was proposed by Cllr. Wrigley and seconded by Cllr. Disney. No other candidate were proposed. Cllr. Grindey was appointed as Vice-Chair.
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.
 - 4.2 09.20/10.1 Location of Parish Council meetings: This is being held over, as we cannot physically meet.
 - 4.3 09.20/11.1 Paddock wall and tree: Mr Selby has been visited and will cut the overhanging branches, as appropriate.
 - 4.4 09.20/11.2 Church Street sign: This has kindly been cut back by Cllr. and Mrs Millington.
 - 4.5 09.20/11.3 Blocked drain on Stonepit Lane: This has been reported. If no action occurs soon, a further report should be made.
 - 4.6 09.20/11.4 Streetlight adjacent to Village Hall: This belongs to SKDC, who will not turn it off as it is the only light on this stretch of road, entering the village. However, the electricity is currently being paid for by the Village Hall, so it needs further investigation.
 - 4.7 09.20/11.5 Overhanging branches: The lower green cherry belongs to LCC, who are investigating. Other trees on the bottom and top green need to be looked at when the leaves have dropped. There are some horse-chestnuts on the roadside (near the other part of the paddock) which are in need of attention.
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 S20/1373 St James's Church, Park Lane: 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. *Permission granted.*
 - 5.3 S20/1375 St James's Church, Park Lane: Listed Building consent for the 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. *Permission granted.*
 - 5.4 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.*
 - 5.6 Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
 - 6.1 We have had two further responses from Chattertons (£500 + VAT) and Pert and Malim (£450 + VAT). Fees both for the PC and for W. Murdoch's solicitors need to be covered. The Chair will contact W. Murdoch to seek confirmation in writing of his gift of land for the cemetery extension, and also details of his solicitors.
 - 6.2 Any maintenance or other matters arising: The shed door painting is awaiting the contractor for a quotation.

Signed: Chairman

Date

7. Payments and Accounts:

- 7.1 Bank Balances at 25th September 2020:
Yorkshire Bank a/c: £3394.85 after invoices paid.
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £14867.11 after the transfer is deposited.
- 7.2 Income received in September.

| <i>Date of Receipt</i> | <i>Name</i> | <i>Details</i> | <i>Notes</i> | <i>Total Amount £</i> |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 09.09.20 | Mr and Mrs A. D. Warth | Purchase of single depth plot. | Invoice 200656 | 260.00 |
| 09.09.20 | G. H. Linnell Ltd | Memorial tablet for T. H. Selby | Invoice 200657 | 170.00 |

- 7.3 Invoices due for payment in September.

| <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> |
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| 30.09.20 | Colsterworth & District Parish Council | Community Cleaner: September 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 |
| 30.09.20 | 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 |
| 30.09.20 | MMBS | Transfer to Deposit account | 6.7.20 Page 2232 Item 7.4 | 2000.00 | | 2000.00 |
| 30.9.20 | Mrs P. Harrison | Clerk's salary and expenses | 4.6.18 Page 2183 Item 4.4 | 683.45 | | 683.45 |

8. **Clerk's Report:** Nothing to report.

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

10 **District and County Councillor's Reports.** Cllr. Adams informed the Parish Council about the Planning White Paper, which may be a cause for concern. The new road repair contractors have had a few teething problems, but it is hoped matters will settle down soon.

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

- 11.1 The two verbal resignations have not been followed up in writing so have therefore lapsed.
- 11.2 There is a blocked channel on Church Street, which needs reporting to Fix my Street.
- 11.3 Skillington Neighbourhood Plan: Monitoring. The Chair circulated a draft monitoring report for Skillington Neighbourhood Plan (2017). In connection to what the PC regarded as inconsistent reference to the Neighbourhood Plan, as part of the consideration of a planning application for two houses on Lord's Lane, Cllr. Adams offered to assist in resolving such matters, noting that any questionable plans can be referred and taken to committee as an extra step.
- 11.4 The status of the half of the paddock belonging to John Stoneman and associated trees, was identified as being in need of clarification.
- 11.5 A query was raised about an empty private property on Stonepit Lane.

12 **The meeting was closed at 8.40 pm.**

Our next meeting is scheduled to be Monday 2nd November 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