

## 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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Notes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at Skillington Village Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 at 7.30pm.

**Please note: These minutes are published in draft form and are subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Council.**

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

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

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. N Clark and S Millington, PCSO S. Bowden.
2. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019** were agreed and signed into minutes.
3. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
  - 4.1 18.11/9.6 Blocked drains: Blocked drains in Fishwell Close and Stonepit Lane have been cleared. Various other drains including The Square have been reported. Buckminster Farms was contacted with regard to the overflowing ditch on Sproxton Road which has been dug out. However, water is still running across the road, as is the ditch on the other side of the road. The land-owners will be contacted to see if more work can be done.
  - 4.2 19.09/11.2 Reinstatement of the road and ditches by Western Power: this has now been completed.
  - 4.3 19.09/9.1 Correspondence from East Midlands Airport: Cllr Bunce reported his concerns, but will now have to wait for the next stage of EMA's consultation.
  - 4.4 19.08/9.1 Resilient Communities Conference – Cllr. Bunce attended this meeting, but was disappointed it did not discuss the expected Emergency Contingency planning.
5. **Planning applications:**
  - 5.1. S19/1346 Western Power Distribution (East Midlands) PLC, Land south of Skillington: Installation of new 33KV overhead lines consisting of 3 conductors on wooden poles. Pending decision by SKDC.
  - 5.2. S19/1779 Mr and Mrs G Hobson, Little Acres, Church Street: Conversion of existing integral single garage to bedroom/en suite and store and conversion of carport/store into dayroom. Conditional permission granted by SKDC.
  - 5.3. S19/1879 Mr P Lord, Cotswold Farm, Crabtree lane: Erection of agricultural/forestry building on the site of former pig unit building. Pending consideration by SKDC.
  - 5.4. S19/1436 Mr Ainge, Land Adjacent To Fairmount And Rosajama, Lords Lane: Approval of details in relation to Conditions 3 (surface and foul water drainage), 4 (boundary treatments) and (materials) of S18/0735 (Demolition of outbuildings and construction of 2 no. split level dwellings with associated hardstanding and landscaping). Discharge of planning conditions.
  - 5.5. Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
  - 6.1. The draft letter to Mr Murdoch has been sent. The Parish Council awaits a reply.
  - 6.2. Any maintenance or other matters arising: None.
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
  - 7.1 Bank Balances at 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019:
    - 7.1.1 Yorkshire Bank a/c: £3681.21 after invoices paid.
    - 7.1.2 Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £12733.35
  - 7.2. Income received in November:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

29.10.19	SKDC	Invoice Ref CGE 41170 – Community Cleaner grant	Reimbursement for the provision of Community cleaners	640.38
01.11.19	I and R Bowen	Quarterly Paddock rent		125.00
12.11.19	Lincs CC	Ref 30874914	Reimbursement of grass cutting invoices	526.61

## 7.3 Invoices due for payment in November.

Date of Payment	Name	Details	Date & Minute No. of Approval	Net Amount £	VAT £	Total Amount £
30.11.19	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: November 2019 (including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	131.11		131.11
30.11.19	P Parris	Extension of the Skillington Life domain name rental (for 5 further years) Amendment	4.11.19 Page 2217 Item 9.4 Addition to inv. Plus VAT	5.00	7.99	12.99

7.4 Audit for the half-yearly accounts: This has been completed.

**8 Clerk's Report:**

- 8.1 The Clerk has been asked to remind villagers not to park at the bus stop. Drivers are finding it difficult to pull into the bus stop at The Square, as cars are sometimes parked in the way. *It was agreed to ask the pub to put up a poster and place a notice on the Facebook page.*
- 8.2 Call Connect Christmas offer: This offer has been added to the website and Facebook page. The poster has been put up on the Notice Board.

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

- 9.1 Request to support the Local Electricity Bill. The information will be circulated to members of the Parish Council. However, Cllr. Adams informed us this is a private company and not a not-for-profit business.

**10 District and County Councillor's Reports.** Cllr. Adams is again looking into the possibility of white lines at The Cross Swords. He also informed us of the new Highways contract being awarded to Balfour Beatty.**11 Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman.**

- 11.1 A report was received from PCSO S. Bowden: suspicious males and van were spotted at Stoke Rochford. A golf buggy and batteries were taken from the Golf Course. Off-road bikes have caused damage to the track on the Viking Way. There was a suspicious vehicle at Herrings Lodge, Stoke Rochford. Cllr. Adams implored people to report any suspicious activity they might have seen to PCSO Bowden, or ring 101. Grit is available on request from Highways Dept. The grit bins will be inspected and LCC Highways informed of any request. Cllr. Wrigley has a small supply of sandbags. Cllr. Grindey reported several Western Power vehicles speeding down Buckminster Lane. Western Power has been informed. Cllr. Disney reported 4 lorries careering up Crabtree Lane. Mud is a current problem on Crabtree Lane and down Colsterworth Road. It is also a problem on Sproxton Road.

**12 The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Skillington Village Hall.

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....