

Notes/Minutes of Osbournby Parish Council Meeting

Held in Osbournby Village Hall

On Thursday 23rd November 2017

1 member of the public was present along with Andrew Hague, County Councillor
No declarations of interest

62.	Apologies: Cllr Wright	
63.	Present: Cllrs Harvey, Baker, Pearson, Camm, Jackson and North. District Councillor Cook and Libby King (Clerk).	
64.	Minutes of Previous Meetings: The minutes of the meetings held on 26 th September 2017, already circulated, were approved. Proposed Cllr Pearson, seconded Cllr Camm.	
65.	Mr Mark Jones of the Aswarby Estate then joined the meeting to update the Parish Council on land/buildings owned by the estate in the village. The Drove development: The estate is currently in discussion with a developer regarding this development. He confirmed that the estate will be abiding rigidly to the planning application consent and also the contribution to the school and public amenities. If any developer wished to change the plans they would need to seek permission from the Estate and also the Planning Department. No time scales could be given on the development starting as it is early stages but Mr Jones suggested it was looking promising. Cowpond Area: Mr Jones advised the meeting that the estate was in discussion with the land registry on various issues and the Cowpond area is one of them. The estate still wishes to give the Parish Council a licence to manage the area and will keep the Parish Council informed of progress but suggested that the work that the Parish Council wishes to do on the area is put on the back burner for the time being. Fern House Farm Buildings: The Estate is in discussion with Planning and the Conservation Officer regarding the buildings and what can be done to renovate the buildings. It was acknowledged that the buildings are in a bad state of repair and they are currently not being relet. Farm Buildings – North Street: The Estate wishes to grow their business and will be looking at these buildings at some time in the future. Sycamore Farm: Due to the condition of the property it cannot be relet in its current condition. The Estate is looking at what could be done on the site. Sycamore Farm is not a listed building but Mr Jones confirmed that the property will not be demolished. Mr Jones advised the meeting that the Estate wants the support of the Parish Council and will keep them informed of any developments.	

66.	<p>Chairman's Report: Cllr Harvey advised that he had been to two meetings since the last Parish Council Meeting. He and Mrs King had attended a meeting by the Highways Department. Cllr Harvey felt that one of the presenters was not 100% behind the changes being made. A discussion then followed regarding the fact that 3 street lights and the speed awareness sign had not been working for many weeks following work undertaken by Western Power. The Clerk had reported these, along with District Councillor Cook. Although repairs required can be reported through the website it was generally felt that it was more appropriate to contact the customer service department to report.</p> <p>The second meeting was the Police and Crime Commissioner, Mr Marc Jones. Cllr Harvey had been very impressed by his enthusiasm. One item which had been discussed was speeding and there was a discussion regarding the public being trained in the use of speed radar guns. If a driver is caught speeding, by a volunteer using a radar gun, they would not be prosecuted but would receive a letter and advice on road safety. It was felt that this was something that the Parish Council could get involved in and an item regarding this would be put into the newsletter asking for volunteers. The training will be free of charge, however the Parish Council would have to pay for the radar gun, which would be approximately £100.</p>	
67.	<p>Clerk's Report: Mrs King reported that LALC are putting up their subscriptions but it is likely to be minimal.</p> <p>Fairer Funding for Lincolnshire: All Councillors had received information on this and notices had been put up in the village notice boards. Mrs King had contacted our MP, Dr Caroline Johnson, and had received a reply stating that she was lobbying the Secretary of State regarding this.</p> <p>Christmas Rubbish Collections information to be put in the newsletter. The village skip is this coming weekend. Although the skip will probably be arriving between 8 – 8.30 the flyers have advised that it will be open from 9.30 to 12 noon. Cllrs Harvey and Wright to man the skip.</p> <p>An application to the National Lottery has been submitted by the Village Hall Committee for improvements to the Committee room. These will include new lighting, heating, flooring and help with the acoustics. The Committee hope to hear soon whether or not the application has been successful.</p> <p>Following tonight's payments the bank balances are as follows: Parish Council Account: £10,422.32 Cemetery Account: £42,391.49</p>	
68.	<p>District Council Report: District Councillor Cook thanked Cllr Harvey for attending the PCC meeting and advised that she will circulate minutes of the meeting in due course.</p> <p>NKDC are requesting that residents give feedback on their priorities for the coming years and asked that Councillors look at this. It is under <i>tell us 2017</i> on the Council website.</p>	

	<p>LCC also wish to have feedback on the street lights which are being turned off at night. It was confirmed that it is only the LCC lights which are being switched off, NKDC lights remain on as usual. Cllr Cook also congratulated Cllr Jackson on his work on the digital hub and advised that she would help as much as she can.</p>	
69.	<p>Planning Matters: No matters to report.</p>	
70.	<p>Responsibility for the Churchyard/repairs to the pillars: Following the discussion at the last meeting, notes of meetings held by the church and the Parish Council in 2006 had been located and these state that the responsibility is with the Parish Council. Advice had also been sought from ICCM who also advised that once a churchyard is closed it is the responsibility of the Parish Council. Quotations have been received for the work required to the pillars and it was agreed that the repairs to the pillars will be left, for the time being, and Cllr Pearson agreed that he will continue to monitor them. Mr Derek North, Church Warden, advised the meeting that the church survey had just been undertaken and that information regarding the pillars was in that report. However the report had not yet been read through and Cllr Pearson will look into this to see what the survey has said regarding the pillars.</p>	Cllr Pearson
71.	<p>Trees in Cemetery and Churchyard: The last survey of the trees was undertaken in 2014 and the advice was to have a survey done every three years. Mrs King had been in contact with the Tree Officer who had advised that as all the trees have been plotted the cost per tree will be £2.75 rather than the £3.50 paid at the last survey. This will make the cost approximately £82. It was unanimously agreed that the new survey be undertaken.</p>	Clerk
72.	<p>Telephone Kiosk: The work has now been undertaken in the kiosk and books are already starting to appear. It was agreed that volunteers are required to look after the books/DVDs etc and again this request will be put into the newsletter.</p>	
73.	<p>Digital Hub: Broadband has now been installed in the village hall and the digital hub will commence on 3rd January. This information has been included in The Voice, the local LINCS magazine and flyers will be sent around the village. There will be no cost to the Parish Council of the advertising of the Hub. The Direct Debit mandate for the ongoing cost of the broadband was signed and this will be £55 per month. Some of this money will be repaid at the end of the year</p>	Cllr Jackson
74.	<p>Cemetery Account: Cllr Harvey has written to Lloyds Bank regarding the money in the Cemetery Account but to date has received no response.</p>	
75.	<p>Donations: No donations had been requested.</p>	

<p>76.</p> <p>77.</p> <p>78.</p> <p>79.</p>	<p>Autumn/Winter Newsletter Items: It was agreed that the following items would be included in the newsletter: Update on properties owned by the Estate and The Drove developments Digital Hub Phone Booth Village Skip Christmas rubbish collections Fairer funding for Lincolnshire Dog Poo Speed signs in Drove Radar Gun Village hall grant application Call Connect information</p> <p>Payments: One cheque (No. 739) had been drawn prior to this meeting for £60.00 for the installation of the phone line for the digital hub. Payments made tonight: Cheque No. 740: Alan Drury: £120.00 Cheque No. 741: Rick Webster: £234.00 Cheque No. 742: Village Hall: £18.00 Cheque No. 743: P&P French: £1,800.00 Cheque No. 744: R.Jackson: £43.92 (modifications to phone box)</p> <p>Correspondence: No correspondence had been received which has not already been discussed.</p> <p>Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 18th January 2018 at 7 p.m.</p> <p>There being no further business the meeting closed.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
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