## **Notes/Minutes of Osbournby Parish Council Meeting**

## Held in Osbournby Village Hall

## On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017

No Public Forum
No declarations of interest

24.	Apologies: No apologies	
25.	<b>Present:</b> Cllrs Harvey, Wright, Baker, Pearson, Camm, Jackson and North. District Councillor Cook and Libby King (Clerk).	
26.	<b>Minutes of Previous Meetings:</b> The minutes of the meetings held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2017, already circulated, were approved. Proposed Cllr Pearson, seconded Cllr Camm.	
27.	Chairman's Report: Cllr Harvey had a copy of the Central Plan which has now been adopted. Osbournby is not mentioned in the plan as the 19 houses planned for Osbournby is sufficient for the local plan, but Sleaford will be dramatically transformed. Cllr Harvey reported that the Aswarby Estate has advised that they have met with the Developer for the development on The Drove.	
28.	Clerk's Report: The Audit was completed and returned to the External Auditor. Has not yet been received back.  No information has been forthcoming regarding the Best Kept Village.	
29.	District Council Report: Cllr Cook reported that there had been a spate of burglaries in Threekingham, Silk Willoughby and Spanby. On 9 <sup>th</sup> November there will be meeting for Parish Councils to meet with the PCC on rural crime. Meeting to be held at Culverthorpe Hall. Regarding developments in Sleaford £4 million has been allocated to improve the Holdingham Roundabout and the A17 by the A153. Heart of Sleaford project is still ongoing. Cllr Cook had discussed with Rowan Smith of LCC the issue of parking on the verge outside the village hall. No funding is available from LCC to hardstand this land and the likely cost would be in the region of £10K, although this could increase if utilities were found under the grass. It was decided that no further action would be taken at this time	
30.	Planning Matters: Extension at 8 New Street has been approved. The Cemetery Account stands at £42,379.02. Interest of £21.65 was received this year. It was agreed that Cllr North would look into a long term savings account for the Cemetery money in order to get a better rate of interest.	Clerk
	District Council Report: As District Councillor Kate Cook was not	

at the meeting there was no report.

Planning Matters: No new planning applications had been received.

The application for 16 homes on The Drove was approved on 27<sup>th</sup>
April 2017.

Cllr North

11. **Feedback from Residents:** Two emails had been received by the Parish Council.

The first was regarding setting up a Community shop in Osbournby. During discussion it was agreed that there had been a community

12. shop in the village but due to lack of patronage it had had to close. Also the Whichcote Arms had, at one time, attempted to open a small community shop but this had not happened. It was felt that this was not something that the Parish Council was in a position to assist, and it was agreed that in the next newsletter mention would be made of the Post Office bringing provisions to the village hall on a weekly basis, a milk delivering service being available (if ordered they can provide many things) and vegetables being sold from Saddlers Farm. Mrs King to respond to this email.

The second email was from a resident in The Drove who was concerned about the speed of some motorists using the Drove and it being a danger to children and older people. The suggestion was made that maybe the "no limit" speed signs could be moved further down the Drove. The resident had also suggested that signs similar to those in Folkenham be erected. Cllr Harvey to discuss with District Councillor Cook to see if she has any ideas. Also to look at the signs in Folkenham. Mrs King to respond to the email.

Clerk

Trees and Church Pillar: Cllr Pearson reported that the pillar at the entrance to the church was twisting and needed attention. He had attempted to get a local stonemason to look into this, however due to work commitments it had not happened. Cllr Pearson to contact Skillingtons and request a visit to look at what needs to be done. Concern was also raised regarding a tree at the back of the church, the branches of which are over the church roof and the School House. Christopher Clay, the Arboricultural Technician from NKDC, has contacted the Parish Council advising that the trees were surveyed in 2014 and he suggested a new survey be carried out. The cost is £2.75 per tree. At the last survey there were 34 trees, however following that survey 2 were felled, therefore 32 trees will cost £88. It was proposed by Cllr Harvey and seconded by Cllr North that a new tree survey be carried out. Clerk to advise Mr Clay.

Cllr Harvey

Clerk

**Telephone Kiosk:** Work to transfer the ownership of the telephone kiosk from the Heartbeat Trust to the Parish Council is almost complete. Mrs King had asked Planning at NKDC what information they required in order for a change of use and has been asked to let them know what type of shelving will be used. Cllr Harvey to discuss this with the resident wishing to be responsible for the book/dvd swop

Cllrs Pearson/ Harvey

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15.	Best Kept Village: Mrs King advised that as requested at the March meeting, she had enter the Best Kept Village competition. Judging will start at the end of May. It was acknowledged that there are various issues which will need looking into and these include: land outside the factory on The Drove - Cllr Harvey will discuss with the managers of the site to see if they will assist in this. Cllr Baker brought up the building work being undertaken in North Street and who would be responsible for repairing the road following of the work. It was felt that this would be the responsibility of the builder. Cllr Baker advised that he would tidy up the footpath from North Street leading to the School. Cllr Harvey advised that he had emailed Highways asking what could be done regarding the grass verge outside the village hall. No response had been received and he was advised to ring the Help Line Number rather than email. It was agreed that a walk around the village was needed pointing out issues that were arising and ensuring that the work was carried out.	Cllr Harvey  Cllr Harvey
16.	<b>Update on Defibrillator:</b> The defib is now fitted and registered with the East Midlands Ambulance Service. The official opening was on the 8 <sup>th</sup> April when approximately only 15 people attended for training on how to use the equipment. Sonia Barfoot has now handed the defibrillator to the Parish Council and Mrs King advised that it will need to be checked on a monthly basis. Following discussion Mrs King and Cllr Pearson agreed to do this.	Cllr Baker Cllr Harvey ALL
	<b>Digital Hubs:</b> As neither Cllr Jackson or District Councillor Cook available no discussion could take place on this.	
17. 18.	Parish Council Insurance: Mrs King advised that the renewal for the Parish Council insurance had been received at a cost of £338.82. However if the Parish Council agreed to enter a 3 year contract this could be reduced to £321.88. It was agreed that we continue on an annual basis and that alternatives are looked into for next year.	Cllr Pearson/ Clerk
19.	<b>Update on Cowpond Area:</b> Cllr Harvey reported that the Parish Council is no further forward and that the Aswarby Estate are advising that the Land Registry has problems and are unsure when this will be agreed. It was proposed that Cllr Harvey invite Mark Jones to next meeting on 20 <sup>th</sup> July to discuss this and also to discuss the development on the Drove.	
	<b>Donations:</b> No donations had been requested.	
	Payments: The following payments to be made at this meeting:	
20.	Cheque No. 715: A.Drury £360.00	
21.	Cheque No. 716: Debbie Scott- Internal Audit £ 35.00 Cheque No. 717: LALC Annual Subscription £139.50	Cllr Harvey

Cheque No 718: ICCM: Annual Subscription	£ 90.00
Cheque No 719: Ms E King – reimbursements	£41.12
Cheque No 720: Came and Co.	£338.82

**Correspondence:** No correspondence had been received which had not already been discussed.

Cllr Harvey thanked everybody for their support during the past year and hoped to be able to move things along in the coming year. 22.

**Dates of next Meetings:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 7 p.m. Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7 p.m.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m. 23.