

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 14th September 2010 at 7.30 pm
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

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Present

Cllr. Marston (Chair), Cllrs. Bamma, Fox, Jauncey & Johnson; County Cllr. Patmore, W. Frost (Clerk), F Hutchinson (R.A.F. Liaison from 8.15pm) and Ms. Madden (H.D.C. Rural Housing Enabler).

Apologies for Absence

10-120 Late arrival Mrs Hutchinson.

Declaration of Interest

10-121 Cllr. Johnson declared a **prejudicial interest** in item 10.128-2 being the partner of D. Pattison.

Cllr. Bamma declared a **personal interest** at item 10-131.1, being an application for the security position, the applicant being related to the Cllr.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

10-122 The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th August 2010 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Public Forum

10-123 No public present.

Report of the Hambleton Housing Enabler

10.124 Ms. Madden informed the meeting that the Newton project was nearing completion and would consist of 12 houses built almost to code 5 standards which provided a very high level of insulation and sustainability and were all designed to be wheelchair friendly. The entire project was running approximately one week late and would be completed by the 4th October 2010. Although of traditional appearance from the frontage the rear was almost entirely glass which provided high levels of heat recovery. The properties were to be allocated the following day and all the allocations would all fall within the parish of Newton. An open day was to be held on the 21st September. Ms. Madden outlined the results of the Housing Needs Survey for Newton and confirmed that the Housing Association had worked on the criteria of meeting 50% of the local need. This ensured that the housing would be for available for local needs in the future and was sustainable. With regard to Linton Parish it was confirmed that military personnel could be treated as having a local connection and housing needs survey, funded by the Housing Association would determine the need for low cost housing in the village. Council agreed to consider the setting up of a survey at their next meeting. Cllr. Marston thanked Ms. Madden for her report; Ms. Madden then left the meeting.

County Councillor's Report

10-125 Cllr. Patmore reported that there were problems with completing the land purchase for the home to school cycleway in that one of the land owners had suffered a serious accident and was unable to complete at the present time. It was likely therefore that, at best, the project would be delayed and, at worst, cancelled. The work on the footpath from Newton to the telephone exchange was scheduled to start on the 25th October and it was likely that the road would have to be closed for a period of three days. Patching work would then be carried out on the highway from Newton boundary to Linton Woods Lane. The road was scheduled for top dressing the following year. Cllr. Patmore reported on the Hambleton Area Committee meeting that had been held on the 6th September. A presentation on the Allerton Park Waste Disposal Scheme had been given which had not been satisfactory, the various presentations being poor, and the question and answer session badly conducted. Subsequently there had been a presentation from Highways Dept on winter maintenance which had been useful. It was proposed that as a trial in seven parishes be supplied with a ton of salt for use on footpaths and minor roads, to be spread by volunteers who would be insured and issued with high vis clothing. There would be the possibility of further salt supplies being made available at cost.

Work continued on the reduction of spending across the Council.

Cllr. Jauncey questioned Cllr. Patmore on the proposed closure of the Minor Injuries Units within the district and Cllr. Patmore expressed her own concerns regarding the proposed closures.

District Councillor's Report

10-126 In the absence of Cllr. Huntington, no report received.

RAF Liaison Officer and Community Development Worker's Report

10-127 Mrs Hutchinson requested that following comments from parents a zebra crossing be installed opposite the village hall for access to the playground. Cllr. Patmore agreed to pass the request to

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Highways but commented that she felt that it was unlikely to be approved (**Action Cllr. Patmore**). A youth-worker was likely to be appointed shortly. Cllr. Marston also informed the meeting that there was a new Padre on camp, Kevin Hart, who in his first week had already visited the school and appeared to be taking a proactive role with regard to the local community. The recent Children's Ball had been a very successful event with many civilian children from the area attending. There had been a spectacular fireworks display.

Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

- 10-128** *10-128.1* The Clerk presented his general report for the month of August which was approved. He confirmed that he had contacted S Banks re the funding for the playground but had received no further response. The Clerk reported on the account received from Yorwaste regarding waste disposal at the Village Hall and read his response to the Company denying any liability. Total balances at 31th August 2010 were noted at £9410.06.
- 10-128.2* Payment of the following accounts was approved:-
Green Gardens Village Hall Maintenance (2 months) £75.00.
Information Commissioners Office £35.00 Renewal Freedom of Information Act Registration £35.00
D Pattison re failed STO for salary £231.24.

Planning and Highways

10-129 **Planning**

Council noted receipt of the following applications from HDC:-

10-129.1 Application for listed building consent for installation of new oak lock gates to the top/head of lock chamber Linton Locks YO30 2AZ British Waterways 10/02056/LBC **Approved without comment.**

10-129.2 Hambleton LDF Draft Open Space Sport and Recreation Supplementary Planning Document. Council noted the details shown on the draft map, requested the Clerk to amend as appropriate and respond to H.D.C. (**Action Clerk**). Mrs Hutchinson commented that there were facilities and open spaces on the camp that were available to the public that had not been included on the map and it was agreed that both the Clerk and Mrs Hutchinson would respond accordingly. (**Action Clerk & Mrs Hutchinson**).

The Clerk reported that he had received a further Listed Building Consent Application 10/02195/LBC relating to new lock gates to the bottom of lock chamber which had arrived too late to be included on the agenda. It was agreed that the Clerk would respond under his delegated powers and the matter confirmed at the next meeting. (**Action Clerk**).

Notice had also been received of a meeting on 19th August 2010 of the H.D.C. Planning Committee regarding the Linton Hydro Plant to consider Habitat Regulations. There had been no attendance.

Highways

The Clerk read a letter from Mrs F Kirby concerning the speed of traffic and the danger to elderly residents with a request for warning signs. Cllr. Patmore commented that Highways would not erect such signs except in the vicinity of an Old People's Home. A general discussion on traffic calming in the village from both a speed and aggressive driving point of view ensued and it was agreed that the Clerk request the C.O. to bring the problem to the attention of all camp personnel. (**Action Clerk**).

Correspondence

- 10-130** The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received and Cllrs. agreed the following actions:-
- Letter from the HedgeMan. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Letter & Response from NYCC re Adopt a BT Kiosk Scheme. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Letter N.Y. Waste Partnership Letter & Publicity Material. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Clerks & Councils Direct Sept 2010 To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Documentation re Allerton Park Waste Recovery Scheme. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - To receive notice of H.D.C. Area Forum. Noted. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Certificate of Public Insurance Deans Landscapes Ltd. Noted. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - Country Air Summer 2010. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).
 - No need for Nuclear, Correspondence re Early Day Motion. To circulate. (**Action Clerk**).

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New Items

- 10-131** 10-131.1 The Clerk reported that he had received an application for position of Security Person for the Village Hall & Playing Field, Mr P Catmull of 4 Old Garth. It was agreed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman would meet Mr Catmull to discuss the position. Clerk to arrange the initial contact. **(Action Clerk).**
- 10-131.2 The Clerk reported that the notice period had expired for the request for a poll for the election of a Councillor without response. He had received an application from Mr Michael Croft of Beechwood Court Linton on Ouse for the vacant post of Parish Councillor. Council agreed on the proposition of Cllr. Jauncey seconded by Cllr. Bramma to co-opt Mr Croft to Council. Clerk to contact Mr Croft. **(Action Clerk).**
- 10-131.3 Council considered the quotation from Green Gardens for the refurbishment of Mill Lane Corner and agreed that the work at a cost of £180 be approved. Monies to be vied from the Village Hall Maintenance Budget.
- 10-131.4 The Council considered the Clerk's draft response to proposed changes to evening and week-end bus services and subject to amendment agreed that it be sent. **(Action Clerk).**
- 10-131.5 It was agreed that publicising the 2011 Mitchener Award would be through the Parish Newsletter November and January 2011 editions.
- Playing Field and Village Hall**
- 10-132** The Clerk informed the meeting that he was aware that a local Shipton football club was keen to acquire a single goal post. Since one post was redundant at Linton, the Clerk was requested to endeavour to arrange a sale. **(Action Clerk).**
- Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda**
- 10-133** **Minor Matters.**
- Cllr. Jauncey raised or reported on the following matters:-
- 10-133.1* He expressed concerns that any parcels that were unable to be delivered were now automatically returned to the Huntington Depot which caused a great deal of inconvenience to local residents as to when they were able to arrange collection. It was suggested that they could be delivered to the shop to await collection. Clerk to write to the Post Office to see if the arrangement could be made subject to approval from the village shop. **(Action Clerk).**
- 10-133.2* A request was made for an update on the financial position of Aldwark Toll Bridge Ltd as no work has been carried out since the increase in tolls. Clerk to obtain information. **(Action Clerk).**
- 10-133.3* Cllr. Jauncey reported that he had been interviewed by Radio York concerning the vulnerability of the local Post Office Outreach Service as there had been rumours of closure. No information had been made available by the Post Office.
- 10-133.4* No one would be travelling to Montcony this year and it was agreed that a wreath would be sent for laying at the Ceremony of Remembrance. **(Action Chairman).**
- 10-133.5* Building work had now started on the extension at Linton School and was scheduled to be completed late January/early February 2011.
- 10-133.6* Cllr. Jauncey requested that Council reconsider the introduction of a Parish Plan or failing that a Welcome Pack for new residents. Agreed that the matter be discussed at the next meeting.
- Agenda Items Next Meeting**
- To consider the commissioning of a housing needs survey for Linton on Ouse.
 To consider a request for cable or fibre optic Broadband in the village.
 To consider the publication of a Parish Plan or Welcome Pack.
- Chairman's Closing Remarks**
- 10-134** There being no further business, Cllr. Marston thanked everyone for their attendance, and closed the meeting at 9.45pm.
- Items for Circulation**
- Items at 10-130. Draft Housing Needs Survey.
- Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday 12th October 2010**