

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 9th August 2011 at 7.30 pm
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

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Present

Cllr. Marston (Chair), Cllrs. Bamma, Croft, & Johnson. W. Frost (Clerk), District Cllr. Rooke, P Owens (O.C. Support Wing R.A.F. Linton) & W. Hutchinson (C.D.W. Worker R.A.F. Linton). Amanda Madden, (Rural Housing Enabler) & five members of the public.

Apologies for Absence

11-047 County Cllr. Patmore.

Declaration of Interest

11048 Cllr. Rooke declared a personal interest in the discussions re Rural Housing as a tenant of two of the possible sites for affordable homes in the village.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

11-049 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 12th July 2011 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Public Forum

11-050 Mrs. Calaminus informed the meeting that she had now received the report from Yorkshire Water concerning the survey on the RAF base and passed a copy to the Council. The report confirmed that there were significant built ups of fat, oil and grease in the drainage system on the base and that some areas were affected by root penetration causing a further loss of drainage capacity. W.C Owens reported that due to financial restrictions the RAF had recently ceased the chemical dosing of kitchen waste from the Camp messes and that this may have contributed to the build up of fat deposits in the drains. Mrs. Calaminus stated that dosing has not occurred since 2002 (Post meeting note: W.C Owens confirmed that chemical dosing ceased in Mar 2010 following a Defence wide policy to cease some routine maintenance tasks). W.C. Owens stated that the base has been made aware of the report from Yorkshire Water and that remedial action had already been initiated. Specifically, financial authority has been obtained to recommence the chemical dosing of kitchen waste from 1 Sept 11 onwards. In addition the jetting and removal of arisings from base drains has already commenced in the main base and Service Families Accommodation areas (jetting is expected to be complete by 1 Sept). Root cutting of affected areas has also commenced. The base will also explore alternative methods of food waste disposal or recycling (composting, digestion, energy) and will liaise with Yorkshire Water to conduct an information campaign to advise Service Families of approved disposal methods for oils, fats and grease. W.C Owens also stated that Yorkshire Water's suggestion of fitting mechanical grease separators and skimmers as a more effective solution to passive grease traps and filters was unlikely to be taken forward due to the significant capital investment required to implement such changes. Mrs Calaminus also reported to the meeting that Yorkshire Water jetted the main public sewer approximately every three months to prevent the buildup of fats. It was agreed that the report from Yorkshire Water be circulated to Cllrs. (**Action Clerk**) but to take no further action at the present time to see if the remedial work resolved the problem.

11-051 Report from Rural Housing Enabler

Amanda Madden presented her update and report to Council. She reviewed the figures for housing need in the village following the housing survey and informed the meeting that, following the advertised call for land, five possible sites had been offered and she passed to Council details of their location. All the sites were exception sites, which meant that they were outside the development limits for the village, and would have to be 100% affordable houses. Any land purchased would be at a rate considerably below commercial rates for development land because they were exception sites solely for affordable housing. Any development in the village was likely to be for 8-10 units. She had met the planning dept. and had discussed all the sites with them; all were in the view of the planning dept. acceptable for affordable housing. It was agreed that a formal resolution would be presented to Council at their next meeting to support the development of affordable housing in the village. (**Action Clerk**). Cllr. Marston thanked Mrs Madden for her report and she left the meeting.

County Councillor's Report

11-052 In the absence of Cllr. Patmore no report received.

District Councillor's Report

11-053 Cllr. Rooke updated the meeting on the Hambleton Area Forum which had been held recently at

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Easingwold. The main items of discussion had been the possible closure of public toilets in the district and the problems at Alne tip where in excess of 75000 tonnes of waste over and above that approved had been tipped and the spoil was in excess of 7 metres higher than approved. There was to be a planning meeting next week and Cllr. Rooke would also approach H.D.C. re the naming of the footpath from Linton Meadows to the school as Jauncey Way. **(Action Cllr. Rooke)**. Finally he had heard that the crack in Newton Bridge had been inspected and had been informed that it was not a matter for concern at the present time.

RAF Liaison Officer and Community Development Worker's Report

11-054 W.C. P. Owens told Council that work on the MUGA site had recommenced and it was now anticipated that it would be finished by the end of August. The future of the base now seemed secure for at least the next few years with the introduction of the Military Flying Training System. All investment in the shop and messes was to be completed by the 5th December by I.S.S. and from that date all personnel would be on a pay as you dine system.

Mrs Hutchinson informed the meeting that there was a good summer programme which was proving popular. W.C. Owens and Mrs Hutchinson left the meeting.

Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

11-055 *11.055.1* The Clerk commented that most items would be covered in the course of the meeting and he had nothing further for Cllrs.

11055.2 It was resolved that Cllrs. Brama, Croft, & Johnson be added to the signatures on the Lloyds TSB Bank Mandate and the Clerk was requested to finalise completion of the necessary forms.

11-055.4 Payment of the following accounts was approved:-

British Legion Wreaths & Crosses. It was noted that the account was in fact for £66.00 rather than £64.00 as per the agenda plus a payment (unspecified) for crosses. It was agreed that payment of £76.00 be made to include the crosses.

Clerk's expenses Apl-June £95.92. The Clerk reported that there were some additional costs for the V.E. day service and payment of £110.42 was approved.

Deans Landscapes Ltd Grass cutting £95.00 + VAT £114.00.

Planning and Highways

11-056 **Planning**

11-056.1 Council considered the following application received from H.D.C.:-

Proposed alterations and extension to existing dwelling 14 Main Street Linton on Ouse York YO30 2AX Mr P Watson. Recommended for Approval subject to materials matching existing.

11056.2 Council received information re N. Yorks. Minerals and Waste Development Framework Consultation and agreed to circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Highways

11-056.3 Council noted the letter from N.Y.C.C. re Highways and Transportation Services and Capital Programme 2011/12 and agreed to circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Correspondence

11-057 The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received and Cllrs. agreed the following actions:-

York & N.Y. Waste Partnership Community group training. Noted. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Hambleton Update and community notices. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Country Air Summer 2011. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Newsletter Rural Housing Enabler. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Mailing Richmond & Hambleton Furniture Store. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Pensions Regulator Changes to Pensions Legislation. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Glasdon Direct Catalogue. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Hambleton & Richmondshire Physical & Sensory Impairment Reference Group Information. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

Woodland Trust re Diamond Jubilee. To circulate and include as an agenda item for next meeting. **(Action Clerk)**.

Ringmaster circulations. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

RHS Letter re Britain in Bloom. To circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

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New Items

11-058 *11058.1* Council noted that Mr Paul Gregson had expressed an interest in joining the Council and it was agreed that he be formally co-opted at the next meeting to fill the casual vacancy on the Council following the election. The Clerk confirmed that he had today posted the statutory notices to try and fill the vacancy created by the death of Cllr. Jauncey.

11058.2 Council received N.Y.C.C. Consultation Document Sustainable Community Strategy and agreed to circulate. **(Action Clerk).**

11058.3 The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from H.D.C. re Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans and the availability of S106 monies and it was agreed to circulate and include on the next agenda. **(Action Clerk).**

11-059 **Playing Field and Village Hall**

Caroline Flatekvel the new Chair of Radcliffe Ings Playing Field Committee and Carol Watson, Treasurer, reported that the committee was to meet tomorrow night and hoped to hold a fund raising event before the end of the year. Cllr. Croft agreed to act as Parish Council representative on the committee and the Parish Council offered their support in the committee's endeavours, reminding them that the Parish Council were currently paying all costs in relation to the playground. The Clerk warned Cllrs. that insurance cover for the equipment may not be in place and could be a significant annual future cost if little funding was raised by the playground committee.

Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda

11-060 **Minor Matters.**

The overhanging cherry trees on Riverside Walk were still presenting a hazard to pedestrians and it was agreed that the matter would be considered at the next meeting. **(Action Clerk).**

Agenda Items Next Meeting.

To consider a resolution to support the development of affordable housing in the village.

To consider involvement with Woodland Trust for Diamond Jubilee.

To co-opt Paul Gregson to the Council.

To consider letter from H.D.C. re Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans and determine further action.

To consider lopping or removal and replacement of Cherry Trees in Riverside Walk.

Chairman's Closing Remarks

11-061 Cllr. Marston informed the meeting that he was following up a possible replacement for the U.K. representative for 426 Squadron and would report back when he had further information. He thanked everyone for their attendance, and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Items for Circulation

Report from Yorkshire Water, N. Yorks. Minerals and Waste Development Framework Consultation, N.Y.C.C. re Highways and Transportation Services and Capital Programme 2011/12 items at 11-057, N.Y.C.C. Consultation Document Sustainable Community Strategy & H.D.C. re Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans and the availability of S106 monies.

Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday 13th September 2011.