

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 12th February 2013 at 7.30 pm
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

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Present

Cllrs. Marston (Chairman), Brama, Gregson & Goodridge, District Cllr. Rooke Patrick Lewis-Brown (Community Development Officer R.A.F. Linton), W. Frost (Clerk), and 1 member of the public.

Apologies for Absence

12-153 Cllrs Croft & Keegan. (Both away).

Declaration of Interest

12-154 None Declared.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

12-155 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 8th January 2013 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman. The Chairman also signed the minutes of the Public Meeting held 15th January 2013 which would be retained as a matter of record.

Public Forum

12-156 Ken Thompson commented that he had felt the Public Meeting regarding the Kyle Bridge Closure had been very successful both from a communication exercise and from a community relations exercise. He requested that a footpath from Half Moon Street to Fisherman's Walk be installed as many people used this route to walk dogs and currently it was necessary to walk on the roadway. The Clerk was asked to initially contact Highways and the Footpaths Officer to discuss and see if work could be done to level the verge and maintain the grass rather than install a full footway.

(Action Clerk).

County Councillor's Report

12-157 In the absence of Cllr. Patmore no report received.

District Councillor's Report

12-158 Cllr. Rooke informed Cllrs. that the next full H.D.C. Council Meeting was on the 19th February 2013 and increases in car parking charges for Northallerton would be confirmed at that meeting. The Scrutiny Committee were looking at ways to help small businesses in the District.

RAF Liaison Officer's Report

12-159 In the absence of Wg.Cdr Elliott –Maybe no formal report received. Patrick Lewis-Brown reported on the arrangements for half term activities on the base.

Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

12-160 12-160.1 The Clerk gave his verbal report to Council and stated *inter alia* that Newton Parish Council had requested an informal meeting to discuss matters affecting the two Parishes. Council agreed to a meeting and requested the Clerk to contact Newton P.C. to arrange. **(Action Clerk).**

12-160.2 Payment of the following account was approved:-

Service Funds RAF Linton on Ouse. re Children's Summer Activities £500.00.

Salaries Standing Order £237.20 for the month was also confirmed. The Clerk informed Council that due to changes in the taxation charge for one employee one standing order had been cancelled until further notice.

Planning and Highways

12-161 **Planning**

No item.

Highways

12.161.1 It was noted that the Kyle Bridge Repairs had been almost completed and that the road had been fully opened to traffic today.

12.161.2 Several Cllrs. and a member of the public had expressed concern regarding vehicles parking on the footpath/cycleway at Jauncey Way and on the planted area at the side of the footpath. It was believed that the offenders were fishermen, who had been prevented from parking at Linton Locks by the lessee of the Locks. The Police had been informed and an incident number obtained. It was agreed that the Clerk write to Leeds and District Amalgamated Society of Anglers requesting that vehicle do not park on the footway. **(Action Clerk).**

12.161.3 The Clerk reported that he requested that a walkway be installed to allow dry access to the school from where the pathway and road were flooding at the corner of Linton Woods Lane but that

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no response had yet been received from Highways. A meeting had originally been arranged with the Area 2 Manager to discuss the problem caused by blocked drains, but due to a prior commitment District Cllr. Chris Rooke would be unable to attend and the meeting was to be rearranged. At the same time it was anticipated that Cllr. Marston would discuss the condition of Linton Woods with Mr. Smith Area Manager.

Arrangements had been made to sweep the roads in Linton using the Babcock vehicle based at the camp. The work had been done and the Clerk was requested to write to the Contracts Manager and the C.O. for giving permission for the equipment to be used. **(Action Clerk)**.

No progress had been made with the problems of obstruction of the Bridleway from Linton Woods Lane to Youlton and the Clerk was requested to Contact the Footpaths Officer again. **(Action Clerk)**

P. Lewis-Brown requested details of the location of the obstruction as it could possibly prevent access to RAF equipment. **(Action Clerk)**.

Correspondence

12-162 The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received and Cllrs. agreed that all items be circulated. **(Action Clerk)**.

White Rose Update 1/13.

HDC re Community Infrastructure Levy.

Further information re Allerton Park I Incinerator.

New Items

12-163 None

12-164 **Affordable Housing**

The Rural Housing Enabler had supplied information that further site investigation work had taken place and that the results were awaited. Negotiations were still ongoing with the landowner.

There had also been a request from the Housing Enabler for Councils to publicise a need for land for Gypsy Sites in the District. Agreed to circulate. **(Action Clerk)**.

12-165 **Playing Field & Village Hall**

The Clerk reported that he had now received a response from the Playing Fields Committee regarding the closure of the Committee and it was hoped that the necessary transfer of funds and equipment would take place before the year end.

It was noted that there was to be an event in Northallerton on the 21st March to cover management of Playing Fields and also the possibility of Parish Councils taking over ownership of Playing Fields was to be discussed at the meeting. Details to be circulated, Clerk to attend. **(Actions Clerk)**.

Cllr. Goodridge had recently carried out a visual inspection of the playground equipment and had discovered that the zip wire seat was split. Clerk to enquire about a replacement. **(Action Clerk)**.

Cllr. Keegan via email had requested that consideration be given to the provision of power to the playing field and storage and supply of a motor mower from any S106 monies due. The Clerk explained that there was a long process to complete before any application could be made and no monies would be available until after planning permission for the affordable housing had been given. The Clerk had received a drawing of the Village Hall following the survey and would include it in the circulation file. **(Action Clerk)**.

12-166 **Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda**

Minor Matters.

12.166.1 It was agreed that any remaining unsold Jubilee Mugs be donated to the Village Hall subject to a few being retained to give to any Canadians attending the V.E. Service in May.

Agenda Items Next Meeting.

Grass Cutting 2013

To give consideration to employing a Village Handyman.

12-167 **Chairman's Closing Remarks**

The Chairman informed the meeting that V.E. Day Service would be held on the 12th May this year. He thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Items for Circulation

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Call for land for Gypsy Sites, The Play Factor, meeting 21st March 2013, Village Hall drawing, Items at 12-162.

Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday 12th March 2013 at 7.30pm