

**LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council**  
 held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014 at 7.00 pm  
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

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**Present**

Cllr. Croft (Chairman), Cllrs. Bamma, Goodrich, Jauncey & Keegan. County Cllr. Patmore, District Cllr. Rooke, Mike Lumsden (RAF), W. Frost (Clerk), and thirteen members of the public.

**Apologies for Absence**

14-080 P. Lewis Brown (RAF).

**Declaration of Interest**

14-081 None declared.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

14-082 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Public Forum**

14-083 Mrs Kirby informed Cllrs. that Mrs Marston was back in hospital in Northallerton following several falls and was not very well at all. It was agreed that the Council would send a card to Mrs Marston. **(Action Clerk)**. There was a possibility that a phone mast had, or was to be, installed on the base and recently services had improved following a period of very poor reception. She also reported that Community Police had visited the village on the 25<sup>th</sup> September as part of a campaign to raise the profile and awareness of community policing. She expressed concerns on the day, and subsequently that the Cairn had been covered inappropriately at the Vile Village event on the 13<sup>th</sup> September and had been marked with splashes of red paint. The C.O. on base and RAFA had also expressed their concerns. She reminded Cllrs. of the work of the War Memorial Commission to preserve all war memorials and that they could provide advice on cleaning and maintenance. Cllr. Bamma responded that he believed the covering of the memorial had intended no disrespect and had been an attempt to protect it from damage. It had been unfortunate that the base had been marked with slight paint splashes. He also stated that the event had been an enjoyable day with much of interest for members of the community.

Cllrs. were reminded that Francis Kirby was 100 on the 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 and it was agreed that a bouquet of flowers be sent to Mrs Kirby. (Action Clerk). .

**14-084 Affordable Housing**

The Clerk reported that Fiona Coleman had emailed to say that the majority of the foundations, if not all, were complete and that the timber frames would be on site shortly. She would attend the next meeting.

**14-085 County Councillor's Report**

Cllr. Patmore informed Cllrs. that an additional full council meeting had been held on the 24<sup>th</sup> September with the sole purpose of considering the Allerton Park incinerator and waste processing site. The project had been approved and would cost in the order of £1.4 billion pounds over 25 years. Cllrs. Croft and Goodrich confirmed that they had attended the meeting. The next full council meeting was to be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> November.

**14-086 District Councillors Report**

Cllr. Rooke told Cllrs. that the Dog Warden was now fully operational with his own vehicle following a period when he had used a hire vehicle.

The Planning Committee had made a visit to an anaerobic digester that had been previously approved and subsequently built. There had been great concerns regarding smell and use of an effluent lagoon but at the time of the visit there was no smell at all from the use of the facility and no complaints had been received from the village where the plant was situated. The plant was already producing more electricity to be fed into the National Grid that was originally anticipated. The Committee had also visited three social housing sites in Easingwold and Thirsk. The 15 properties on the Persimmon site were exceptionally small and mistakes had clearly been made. Despite a large number of viewings none of the properties had yet been let. The developments at the Redrow site in Easingwold and a site in Sowerby had been built to a high standard and were excellent examples of affordable housing.

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There had been no applications or even enquiries for the proposed supermarket site in Easingwold.

**14-087 RAF Liaison Officers Report**

M. Lumsdon informed Cllrs. that there were three fast jet courses currently running with the next graduation on the 14<sup>th</sup> November which would be preceded by two weeks of night flying from the 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The graduation ceremony would mean increased aircraft activity on the morning of the 14<sup>th</sup>. The new C.O., Group Captain Ian Laing was now in post as was Wing Commander George Hannaford who was in charge of the Support Wing. The firing range had been brought into use last Saturday by the Army for operational reasons but it was not intended that it be used on a regular basis at week-ends. The RAF would be attending the Armistice Day services at Newton on the 9<sup>th</sup> November and at Linton on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr Lumsdon left the meeting.

**Clerk's Report and Financial Matters**

**14-088** 14-088.1 The Clerk gave his verbal general report and presented his written financial report to September 2014 which was approved by Council. He informed Cllrs. that he had written to the Mitcheners informing them of Cllr. Marston's death and had today posted the notices to advise the vacancy caused by Cllr. Marston's death.

14-088.2 The receipt of the second tranche of the Precept was recorded in the sum of £5500.00.

14-088.3 The Clerk advised Cllrs. to consider any items for the 2015-2016 Budget which he would be drafting for next month's meeting.

14-088.4 Payment of the following accounts was approved and cheques issued.

C.J. Kirby Grasscutting 2014 £720.00 + VAT £144.00 Total £864.00.

Clerks Expenses July-Sept £115.86

Green Gardens £55.00

Inland Revenue Tax on Salaries £239.20

Gross Salaries September £432.82.

It was agreed that the Audit Fee of £100.00 + £20.00 VAT to PKF Littlejohn LLP also be paid as the sum was already overdue.

Total Bank Balances at the end of September were noted at £17656.

**Planning and Highways**

**14-089 Planning**

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

14-089.1 Two storey extension to the rear elevation of dwelling house. Sunnyside Main St Linton Mr Mark Lawson and subsequent amendment 14/01770/FUL. Council agreed that it be recommended for approval.

Council noted and recorded the following approvals by H.D.C.

14-089.2 Construction of a single storey shared front entrance porch 4 School Row Linton Mrs Blakelock 14/01401/FUL.

14-089.3 Construction of a single storey shared front entrance porch 5 School Row Linton Mrs Wilson 14/01402/FUL.To14-074.1 Variation of Condition 2 of planning consent No 2/05/093/0171

**Highways**

14-089.4 It was reported that the work carried out on Linton Woods Lane had been completed although only approximately half had been resurfaced. Work on Mill Lane had been approved but not yet commenced.

14-089.5 No further work had been carried out on Jauncey Way despite it being a contractual obligation. Cllr. Patmore agreed to continue to press Highways Dept. **(Action Cllr. Patmore).**

14-089.6 Council noted the correspondence from K Thompson regarding N.Y.C.C. cutting grass already cut by residents and agreed that no action be taken as amenity grass-cutting would cease in 2015. No action could be taken on the request for a path or refuge between Half Moon St and Fisherman's Walk due to restrictions on working on the highway and lack of funds.

14-089.7 Following enquiries from a member of the public the Clerk was able to confirm that the site of the demolished bus shelter in Main Street was part of the highway verge owned by N.Y.C.C. Clerk to contact enquirer and owner. **(Action Clerk).**

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**Correspondence**

**14-090** The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received. Cllrs. agreed that all items be circulated. **(Action Clerk).**

Notice of Parish Liaison Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Note re changes to maternity and children's services Friarage Hospital.

Email re supply of defibrillator.

Rural Housing Newsletter.

Email re Primetime – Health and wellbeing for older people.

Newsletter Hambleton over 50's forum.

Invitation to workshops Northern Gas Networks.

YLCA Notice of Meeting.

Email from S. Powers re Village Hall Fundraising and further correspondence. Council discussed this item and agreed that no further action be taken as the posters advertising the event clearly stated that proceeds would be divided between Macmillan Cancer and the Village Hall and as both were registered charities there was nothing illegal in the arrangement, which was for mutual benefit.

Email NYWAG.

Yorkshire Water re Moor Monkton Pumping Station.

N.Y.C.C. Care & Support Where I Live Consultation.

White rose update (2)

**New Items**

**14-091** *14091.1* Cllr. Croft reported on his discussions concerning mobile phone coverage in the village with Malcolm Rowe a local retired Communications Engineer who had suggested contacting Ofcom and had drafted a letter to Ofcom setting out the problems in Linton. It was agreed that Mr Rowe be requested to write to Ofcom on behalf of the Council. Cllr. Croft to liaise **(Action Cllr. Croft).**

*14091.2* Cllr. Croft reported on a proposed list of items to be included in Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Plan ( for S106 monies) and the items proposed were noted. It was agreed that all electors would be consulted before a definitive list could be drawn up and the Clerk and Cllr. Croft agreed to make the necessary arrangements to consult electors. **(Action Cllr. Croft & Clerk).** Notice would also be placed on the Community Website. **(Action Clerk).**

*14091.3* The Clerk advised Cllrs. that following enquiries there would be no changes in the local bus services before January 2015 when the contracts would be renegotiated.

*14091.3* Following discussion it was agreed that Cllrs. Croft & Goodrich would clean the Cairn before the service on the 11<sup>th</sup> November. **(Action Cllrs. Croft & Goodrich).** It was noted that arrangements for the service on the 11<sup>th</sup> November were in hand and that Cllr. Croft had already spoken to Warrant Officer Simon Rollands about the event. Cllr. Jauncey had already obtained a wreath. Mesdames Kirby and Stringer would provide tea & biscuits after the event.

*14091.4* The Clerk informed Cllrs. that he had been liaising with Newton's Clerk and arrangements were in hand to publicise the OAP's Christmas Party on the 10<sup>th</sup> December at RAF Linton and that the Clerk would be Linton's contact point to collect names for the event. It was also noted that the Lions were organising an afternoon tea for pensioners.

**Playing Field & Village Hall**

**14-092** *14-092.1* The Chairman informed Cllrs. that he would try to get a path to the wooded area on the playing field included in the Awards to All application and he would speak to TCV concerning this. It was noted that any path should be at the surrounding level of grass to prevent problems with grass cutting. **(Action Cllr. Croft).**

It was suggested and agreed that a set of guidelines and conditions for the use of the playing field be drafted that would apply to all future events. It was also agreed that Cllr. Keegan would be the contact point for any problems on the playing field and notices to that effect would be posted. **(Action Clerk).** It was also agreed that at the present time a further level of management for the playing field was unnecessary but that additional arrangements for the regular inspection of equipment be put in place.

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Council noted the concerns of members of the Village Hall Committee regarding future fund raising but commended all the work carried out on the hall and acknowledged that fund raising should be a significant factor in the future work of the committee.

**Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda.**

**14-093**

**Minor Matters.**

Cllr. Jauncey advised Cllrs. that she would be travelling to Montcony shortly but restrictions had been placed on the laying of wreaths and crosses by foreign nationals by the sub-prefecture in France. No translations of the service into English from French were to be permitted. There was to be another visit by the people of Montcony in July next year and already 35 people had booked.

It was reported that the litter picker used by the street cleaner had collapsed. Cllr. Jauncey informed Cllrs. that she had several spare and would pass one on to Mr Pattison. **(Action Cllr. Jauncey).**

**Next Agenda**

To receive report and update on visit to and by Montcony 2014 & 2015,

To receive report on arrangements for playground inspections.

**Chairman's Closing Remarks**

**14-094**

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

**Items for Circulation**

Items at 14-090.

**Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7.00pm.**