

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 11th November 2014 at 7.00 pm
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

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Present

Cllr. Croft (Chairman), Cllrs, Goodrich, Jauncey, M Lumsden (RAF), P. Lewis Brown (RAF), F Coleman, (Broadacres), W. Frost (Clerk) and four members of the public.

Apologies for Absence

14-095 Cllrs. Bamma & Keegan. County Cllr. Patmore.

Declaration of Interest

14-096 None declared.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

14-097 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 21st October 2014 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Public Forum

14-098 Mrs Helen Kirby commented that the Armistice Day service this morning had been very good and that she had been delighted to be asked to read the dedication on the cairn at the service. She also stated that the cleaning of the cairn had been a big improvement and thanked Cllrs. Croft and Goodrich in this respect and requested that the Clerk write to the School to thank them for their support at the service. Council agreed to the request. **(Action Clerk)**. The party for Mrs Francis Kirby's hundredth birthday had been a great success and Mrs Kirby thanked The Chairman & Clerk for attending and presenting a bouquet of flowers. It was also reported by Mrs Kirby that there was again a problem with dog fouling in the village; a comment endorsed by other members of the public and Cllrs. It was noted that the street light on Mill Lane was out again. **(Action Clerk)**.

Affordable Housing

14-099 Fiona Coleman advised Cllrs. that work was progressing on schedule and that a satisfactory site meeting had been held recently. It was anticipated that all the timber frames would be completed in the next 4-5 weeks and that completion was still scheduled for March or April next year. All the roads had been levelled out and it was hoped to start the landscaping soon. There had been a couple of complaints regarding noise but these had been resolved. Allocations were scheduled for January and there were a considerable number of people on the list of applicants for a property.

County Councillor's Report

14-0100 In the absence of Cllr. Patmore no report received.

District Councillors Report

14-0101 In the absence of Cllr. Rooke no report received.

RAF Liaison Officers Report

14-0102 M. Lumsdon informed Cllrs. that there were currently 4 fast jet courses running and the next graduation would take place this coming Friday the 14th November. Night flying which had been running since the 3rd November would finish on the 13th. M. Lumsden responded to the recent press coverage regarding the possible cessation of fast jet training at Linton and informed Cllrs. that Ascent, who were responsible for the training, had not been authorised to make any statement and the MOD had not yet made a formal decision. He assured Cllrs. that the base was secure until at least the end of the decade and other units, including the University Air Squadron, may well influence and affect any decision regarding the future of Linton. The Chairman requested that Mr Lumsden take back to all concerned, the Council's thanks for the bases' contribution to the Armistice Day Service. Patrick Lewis Brown reported that a five week course for parents with families was currently running supported by WEA and Easingwold Children's Centre. Cllrs. urged Mr Lewis-Brown to try and run a course in the village rather than on base as there was a possibility that participants were deterred from joining as access to the base was perceived to be restricted.

M Lumsden, P Lewis-Brown and Ms F Coleman left the meeting.

Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

14-0103 14-0103.1 The Clerk gave his verbal general report and distributed and explained a proposed budget for 2015-2016 to be considered at the next meeting. He also advised Cllrs. that an article had

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appeared recently in the Clerk magazine concerning war memorials and he would include it in the circulation file. Notice had been received concerning the additional Flying activity on Friday 14th November for the RAF graduation. He had received two enquiries for the vacant Cllrs. post but had been unable to take any action yet as the period for electors to request a poll had not yet expired. Subject to there being insufficient requests for a poll the Council could co-opt at the next meeting. A new address list for Cllrs. was made available.

14-103.2 Payment of the following accounts was approved and cheques issued.

Green Gardens £55.00 .

Cllr. Jauncey Expenses £47.50

Gross Salaries October 2014 £437.16.

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

Planning and Highways

14-0104 Planning

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

14-0104. 1 Work on tree subject to TPO. 3 The Spinney Half Moon Street Linton Mrs Preston. Council recommended the application for approval.

14-0104. 2 Council noted the enquiry regarding private pumping stations from Yorkshire Water and requested the Clerk contact the current owners of any pumping station in the parish that might be affected. **(Action Clerk)**.

Highways

14-104.3 Council noted receipt of information from N.Y.C.C. concerning the significant reduction in provision of amenity Grass-cutting from March 2015. It was agreed that a request be made that the corner at the exit onto Linton Woods Lane be cut regularly and that the owner of the hedge be requested to trim the hedge back as far as possible. **(Action Clerk)**.

Correspondence

14-0105 The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received. Cllrs. agreed that all items be circulated. **(Action Clerk)**.

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New Items

14-0106 *14-106.1* The Clerk informed Cllrs. that he had been advised that there would be no changes to local bus services until the new year when new contracts would be negotiated.

14-106.2 Arrangements for the Senior Citizens Christmas Party were in hand and requests for inclusion had been received from 18 people The Clerk was trying to obtain a list of those attending last year so that he could contact them.

14-106.3 Council noted receipt of information regarding the N.Y.C.C. Consultation on Libraries and agreed to include it in the circulation file. **(Action Clerk)**.

14-106.4 A draft flyer for community consultation to substantiate completion of the Public Open Space, Sport and Recreation Plan was circulated to Cllrs. and subject to some minor amendments was agreed for distribution. Cllr Croft agreed to print and arrange distribution. **(Action Cllr. Croft)**.

14-106.5 Cllr. Jauncey reported on the Armistice Day Service at Linton Cairn held this morning which had been successful, with a good attendance. Thanks were to be sent to Gage Andrews for acting as bugler and to Easingwold School for permitting his attendance. Thanks were also given to Cllr. Goodrich and Mrs Helen Kirby for their assistance. It was agreed that a formal invitation be sent to the school in good time in future years and that a letter of thanks be sent this year to the Primary School. Thanks were also to be sent to Stn. W/O Simon Rollands who had organised the RAF element of the service. **(Action Clerk)**.The Chairman thanked Cllr. Jauncey for officiating in his absence and Mrs Helen Kirby and Cllr. Goodrich for their assistance.

14-106.6 Cllr. Jauncey reported that 6 people including herself had visited Montcony in October and that, as previously notified, no translations of the French speeches and service were provided. Restrictions had also been placed on the laying of wreaths. A letter of concern and protest had been drafted and would be sent to the sub-prefecture. A framed map had been presented to the village.

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There were now 48 names of people proposing to visit from Montcony in 2015 and it was possible that a local rugby team might also want to come.

Playing Field & Village Hall

- 14-0107** The Clerk reported that he had contacted Mr Patterson regarding the possibility of carrying out regular playground inspections but had not yet received a response. He had been unable to contact anyone concerning quarterly inspections.

Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda.

- 14-108** **Minor Matters.**

Cllr. Jauncey reported that she had passed a couple of litter pickers onto the street cleaner. It was noted that dog fouling was again a problem particularly on the approaches to the school and on Main Street.

Next Agenda

To consider and agree proposed budget for 2015-2016 and agree precept request.

To consider changes to street cleaner's contract.

To agree arrangements for playground inspections.

To consider any action to prevent dog fouling

To consider any arrangements for the archiving of planning documentation and the preservation of minutes.

To agree the installation of a path on the perimeter of the playing field subject to the obtaining of a grant from Grants for All.

Chairman's Closing Remarks

- 14-0109** The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Items for Circulation

Clerk magazine , N.Y.C.C. Consultation on Libraries & Councils & Clerk Direct Nov 2014

Date of Next Meeting:- Tuesday 9th December 2014 at 7.00pm.