

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 12th April 2016 at 7.00 pm
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

N° Present

Cllr. Croft (Chairman), Cllrs. Bramma, Goodridge, Keegan, Kirby & Lund, County Cllr. Patmore, District Cllr. Rooke, Lucy Pope (Clerk). Two members of the public also in attendance.

16-001 Apologies for Absence

M Lumsden, Patrick Lewis-Brown.

16-002 Councillors' Declaration of Interest

Cllr Kirby declared an interest in correspondence

16-003 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2016, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

16-004 Actions from Previous Meeting

- The Clerk wrote to Archbishop of York to invite him to the VE Day service: unfortunately the Archbishop is already committed on 8th May so is unable to attend.
- The Clerk has sent the letter and map prepared by Cllr Bramma to the Environment Agency and copied to NYCC, Kevin Hollinrake MP, Newton on Ouse & Alne Parish Councils. The Environment Agency acknowledged receipt of the letter and advised that they will respond fully in due course: no response has been received as yet.
- The Clerk advised that the Village Hall Committee has approved installation of a plaque next to the defibrillator.
- The Clerk has recirculated the draft s.106 funding action plan application to Cllrs: see 16-017 below.

16-005 Public Forum

Jan Jauncey queried if the Mitcheners have been advised of this year's recipient. Mrs Jauncey advised that she will email a list of the usual invitees of the VE Day service: Helen Kirby advised that she has contact details for the ATC OC and that she will invite them to the service. Mrs Jauncey also requested that details of the VE Day service be put up onto the village website: the Clerk confirmed that this would be done asap. Cllr Bramma also confirmed that he would clean the Cairn.

Mrs Jauncey highlighted that the Acorn bike ride will be coming through the village on 7th May and asked for Council permission to put flags up: approved. Also that Christian Aid week starts on 15th May: there will not be a house to house collection in the village this year but there will be a function in the village hall instead.

Mrs Jauncey queried how the contents of the new recycling bins get sorted now that paper, plastic and cans are all mixed together. Cllr Rooke advised that the recycling is sent to a firm in Middlesbrough that has state-of-the-art sorting machinery: HDC councillors are due to visit the site in the near future to see the operation in process. Cllr Rooke commented that on the whole the new procedures are working well although Cllr Bramma highlighted that the recycling collectors have on an occasion removed items of cardboard from his bin and not taken them for recycling.

Mrs Kirby advised that the school will be celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday on 10th June by having something similar to a street party in the grounds: invitations will be sent to various people in the village. The school intends to present each of the children who attend the school with a commemorative coin; it is possible that the Council may be approached for assistance with funding.

Mrs Kirby has also taken photographs of the latest instance of flooding at the top of Linton Woods Lane: there have been numerous complaints from parents that their children have been getting soaked going to/from school. Cllr Rooke highlighted that in the past he has offered that the drain be connected to the

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culvert into his fields but NYCC have not taken this offer up. Cllr Patmore will take up with Highways.

16-006 County Councillor's Report

County Cllr Patmore reported that Newton on Ouse Parish Council are very anxious to meet with Highways about the flooding but especially about what can be done in the future. Cllr Patmore has set a meeting up between Newton on Ouse Parish Council and Highways at Thirsk Highways office on Monday 23 May between 1600-1700hrs. Also attending will be Robin Derry NYCC's Community Resilience and Emergency Planning officer, Cllr Rooke and hopefully also the Drainage Board and Environment Agency. Linton Parish Council is invited to attend to: Cllr Patmore suggests that the Parish Council prepares what issues they would like their representatives to highlight at the meeting.

The Hambleton Area Committee met recently which included the police and fire services however there is nothing of significance to report.

Devolution negotiations are still ongoing: agreement between all areas has still not been reached.

16-007 District Councillors Report

District Cllr Rooke reported that Council met last week at which a minute's silence was held for Vice Chairman Tony Hall who died suddenly a couple of weeks ago.

The planning application for the 5 new houses discussed at last month's meeting will be heard at the Planning Committee on 28 April. This is an outline application with all matters reserved so this really is just considering the principle of the application: if it is ultimately approved the applicants will then have 3 years to submit a detailed application.

Hambleton Parish Forum met recently at which the recent flooding was discussed. Cllr Patmore commented that we need to start being proactive about getting some effective action as this is a recurring problem every year. There also is funding of up to £5000 available for people whose properties have been flooded.

16-008 RAF Liaison Officers Report

The Clerk advised that Flt Lt Lumsden had forwarded a written report as follows:

There are 4 Basic Fast Jet Training courses currently running. Course 256 graduated on 01st April 2016. Course 257 is due for Graduation on 27th May 2016, Course 258 on 19th August 2016, Course 259 on 4th November 2016 and Course 260 on 3rd February 2017.

Armed Forces Day (AFD) 2016 is due to take place over the weekend of 25th/26th June. RAF Linton-on-Ouse is not intending to run any major events on-Station for AFD 2016 however they may be supporting events with other RAF Stations in the Region as well as Army-run events in York. A meeting is to be held next week at Imphal Barracks, York to discuss participation: Flt Lt Lumsden will update the Parish Council in due course.

16-009 Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

16-009.1 The Clerk gave her verbal general and financial report and advised that the HDC Dog Warden has supplied a bag dispenser together with a small supply of biodegradable Poop Scoop bags for installation wherever Cllrs see fit in the village: it was then agreed that it would be situated on Linton Woods Lane near the current dog bin.

The Clerk highlighted that this quarter's financial report would be superseded by the annual accounts when presented next month but at this time there is nothing of concern in the figures. VAT for the previous financial year is also being recovered to a value of £866.41.

16-009.2 Payment of the following accounts was approved:

- Linton on Ouse Village Hall for 11 x hall hire 2015/16: £198.00
- PAYE for period 01/01/16 – 31/03/16: £107.40
- Clerk's expenses 01/01/16 – 31/03/16: £77.82
- Gross Salaries March 2016: £479.17

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- Invoice presented by Cllr Goodridge for reimbursement of hedge cutting invoice that he has already paid on behalf of the Parish Council. All Cllrs approved this payment and a further cheque was written out for this payment: Neil Goodridge: playing field hedge cutting £160

16-010 Planning

16-010.1 Rendering of existing walls, part single & part 2 storey side extension & removal of existing garage, 130 Linton Woods, Linton on Ouse, Mr & Mrs P Lavelle **16/00599/FUL**. Council approved this application with no comments.

16-011 Highways

Cllr Bramma advised that the speed restriction sign at the west end of the village has still not been repaired: Cllr Patmore will chase with Highways.

Cllr Kirby commented that the road outside Mr Moorcroft's has now been repaired and so hopefully he will not suffer any recurrence of the flooding problems that he had this winter.

16-012 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received:

- Acknowledgment from the Environment Agency: 6821 Pope
- Revd. Liz Hassall re Archbishop Sentamu's deanery visit
- HDC re Police & Crime Commissioner Election & European Referendum
- HDC re HDC Business Awards 2016
- Came & Company: Council Matters newsletter
- HDC re Local Plan Development Sites consultation with Parish Councils 31/05/16
 - The Clerk advised that the sites shown are only those that have been nominated by landowners but no decisions have been made by HDC about which, if any, may be developed in future: such decisions are subject to further consultation with stakeholders including the Parish Council. Cllrs agreed that this should be discussed further at the next meeting.

16-013 New Items

None.

Playing Field & Village Hall

16-014 16-014.1 Team Linton defibrillator plaque: as at 16-004.

16-014.2 To receive any reports or updates:

Cllr Bramma advised that the hedge has now been cut along the playing field. Regular inspections have been continuing however no major issues of maintenance have been identified.

Cllr Rooke advised that he has treated the mole problem about a month ago since when there appears to have been no further activity.

16-015 Allotments

16-015.1 The Chair reports that there now are about 10-12 people interested in having an allotment. There are still issues to resolve with the landowner but hopefully there will be a meeting with him soon. Cllr Rooke advised that just as soon as the weather dries up he will deliver a load of topsoil and sort the drain out at the allotments.

16-016 Neighbourhood Watch

16-016.1 The Chair reported that the NHW Chair Phil Moss is arranging to send a letter to all households and to produce some information booklets. They will then apply to the police to register the scheme. Cllr Rooke highlighted the importance of such groups as the NHW: recently his staff disturbed some men in a 54 plate white transit van as they were seemingly preparing to steal various items from his farm. Cllr Rooke

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circulated the details on Farm Watch and also reported the incident to the police who confirmed that the van was registered to a site in Middlesbrough and that the van was subsequently sighted up near Chop Gate.

- 16-017 S.106 Funding:** Cllrs agreed the projects and the associated estimated costs for inclusion on the S.106 application.

ACTION: Clerk to finalise application and submit to HDC

- 16-018 Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda.**

Minor Matters

- Cllr Bamma highlighted that this would be Cllr Croft's last meeting as Chair and offered his thanks to Cllr Croft for all his years of service to the Parish Council: seconded by all Cllrs.
- Cllr Bamma advised that Half Moon Street would be closed for resurfacing between 0800-1700 hrs on 20 and 21 April.

Next Agenda

- HDC re Local Plan Development Sites consultation with Parish Councils 31/05/16

- 16-019 Chairman's Closing Remarks**

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.25pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 10th May 2016 at 7.00pm.

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