

WRAWBY PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Meeting of Wrawby Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 4th July 2017.

At the start of the meeting, the Chairman congratulated Rob Waltham on the awarding of the MBE.

PRESENT: Messrs W T Richardson, R G Green, J Dibdin, M Reddish, Mrs K Rothery, and Mrs P Bosanquet.

Also present were N Lincs Cllrs R Waltham and C Sherwood and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Apologies for absence were received from Mrs L Tandon (holiday), Mr I R Smith (illness) and Mr M Hebblewhite (work commitments). The Clerk gave details of Ian Smith's accident which resulted in him being unable to attend tonight's meeting. All Councillors wished Ian a speedy recovery and signed a "get well" card which will be delivered to him.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST - None

MINUTES: - The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd May 2017 and those of the Extraordinary Meeting on 24th May 2017, having been circulated, were approved for adoption.

MATTERS ARISING: -

The commemorative tree referred to in the 2nd May minutes has now been obtained and planted. Concerns were raised expressed that the tree may in future grow to be obtrusive and it was agreed that judicious pruning will be needed.

PLANNING MATTERS/APPLICATIONS

Details re applications etc. had been circulated to members and there were no matters to be discussed at the meeting.

The outstanding application for the development of the land off Applefields was briefly mentioned and the N Lincs Cllrs confirmed that it was likely to be September at the earliest before the application was considered by the Planning Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE: -

The only matter discussed was the recent 'clean up' arrangements being organised by N Lincs Council. Before this initiative was announced, Cllr Rothery had organised a Separate Wrawby 'clean up' for the following weekend. The Clerk will therefore advise N Lincs Council of this and ask if the 'rubbish' can be collected as part of their scheme.

DONATION REQUESTS - Council had been advised of Diane Coult's intention to organise a children's outing to Scarborough in September. Diane has listed the costs of this and asks for any assistance. After general discussion, Council resolved to donate £50. The Clerk will attend.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

The following payments were authorised:

Clerks salary	469.16 (two months)
Clerks expenses	41.66 (“ “)
Groundsman	120.00 (“ “)
PWLB Payment	554.70
Auditor	375.00

The following items had been paid since the last meeting – a retrospective authorisation was given:-

ERNLLCA Subscription	572.76
CPRE (best kept village fee	25.00
Plants	296.28

The Clerk advised that the amount outstanding to PWLB is just over £2000.

VILLAGE HALL – Nothing significant to report

CLERK’S BUDGET/ EXPENDITURE

This was only the second meeting of the financial year and little had been paid out so far. The Clerk will provide a budget comparison at the next meeting.

AUDITOR’S REPORT

The Internal Auditors report had been sent to councillors in advance of this meeting. Before discussion commenced, the Chairman read out a letter the Clerk had sent to Ian Smith at the end of May indicating his intention to resign in view of the report. All Councillors, together with the Nth Lincs Councillors present, expressed their total support for the Clerk who expressed his appreciation for all the complimentary comments received. He expanded on the reasons for his decision, describing how the last two years’ audits have proved extremely stressful. However all councillors expressed their shock and joined with Ian Smith in asking the Clerk to reconsider. Council accepted the Internal Auditor’s report and everything will now be sent to the External Auditors. The Clerk will finally decide his future when the External Auditors report is received.

REGISTER OF INTERESTS

As requested by Nth Lincs Council, all councillors were reminded of the need to advise the Clerk of any change in their private circumstances (join new organisations etc.) All confirmed that circumstances remain unchanged.

ISABEL TEAM REQUEST

All councillors had received the letter from this team regarding their work and their wish to address Council. After general discussion, council felt that no address was necessary – the Clerk will advise.

PAUL BOSANQUET'EMAIL RE FOOTPATH 285

All councillors had seen Mr Bosanquet's e-mail and there had been much support for his view. Cllr Mrs Bosanquet advised council that Mr Bosanquet had received a call from Nth Lincs Council to the effect that the Council will take steps to prevent the footpath being used by horse riders – probably by the erection of gates. Nth Lincs Cllr R Waltham confirmed this and stated that the work would probably be carried out in September.

TRIBUTE TO WW1 DEAD AND INJURED

Ernlca had forwarded a request that Council consider organising a “Beacon” event on 11th November 2018 to commemorate the above. Whilst expressing their support for the cause, the council resolved not to hold such an event.

NORTH LINCS COUNCILLORS

Council was advised that the Tour of Britain cycle race would pass through Wrawby on 5th September. The Clerk confirmed that a cycle had been obtained from a household recycling depot and Cllr Tandon was attending to painting the cycle green for the event. Nth Lincs Council was aware of the poor state of repair that many roads were in and action will be taken soon.

Nth Lincs Cllr R Waltham advised that a new Trans-Pennine Express timetable has now been received and that earlier trains to Manchester had now been introduced, following representations. In addition T.P.E. were considering developing a new car park at Barnetby Station – further information in due course.

Cllr Waltham has been spearheading a ‘Use British Steel’ campaign with other councils and had received encouraging support.

Cllr Waltham advised that a new “Lincs Lotto” competition was being set up by Nth Lincs Council following successful schemes by other councils. Players had to nominate a “good cause” and 50p of the £1 ticket cost would go to that cause. There is a weekly draw and a “jackpot” of £25,000. Tickets are to be bought on line at lincslotto.co.uk

MATTERS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday 12th September 2017 (**Not 5th – cycle race**) @ 8pm in the Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.