

## **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 16th September 2020.**

Those councillors present were Cllrs J Bunster, P Everton, A Grainger and G Edwards, Via Zoom were R McMullen and C Cllr Mrs P Bradwell. Also present clerk Mrs K Elliott.

Public Forum: 7.30pm: During the public forum parish council members discussed with Mrs Bradwell the upturned road cone which has been in situ next to the damaged drain outside West View, the flooding/drainage at the Church layby and the widen my path request for the footpath to Horncastle. Topics also discussed included the suggestion of an average speed camera and the Zoo access of A153. Communication with Horncastle Town Council may be required on this matter. [Cllr Bradwell left the meeting at 7.43pm]

2020/096 The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting both in person and via Zoom.

2020/097 Mrs Turner has resigned and Mrs Summerlin Benton sent apologies.

2020/098 There were no declarations of interest.

2020/099 Notes of the meeting held on 12th August 2020 were approved as the minutes, proposed, seconded, voted and RESOLVED.

2020/100 Reports from District & County Councillors and Police – Mrs Bradwell’s report had been received during the public forum. The District Councillor and Police were not available.

2020/101 Clerk’s report on matters outstanding and correspondence:

CSW – August figures were circulated with 2 vehicles travelling at over 80mph. JB will forward the details to the clerk and this will be cascaded to all other interested parties; C Cllr Bradwell, LRSP, D Cllr Andrews and local Police. Members also discussed the use of the layby by PC Coaches between school drop offs and the clerk was requested to contact the Highways and Police with regards to this matter.

New bin for layby – following discussion it was resolved to purchase a new bin

Replacement benches – the clerk provided an update on the delivery status of these items

Cemetery – the working group confirmed that the path has been started, costs to date are £220.88 and the clerk needs to organise consecration this. Further plans include new hedges between the current open area and the as yet unconsecrated area. The clerk will provide copies of the cemetery plan to the working group. It was confirmed that the drainage issues are at the entrance only. Stock fencing is to be installed, the weeds will be cleared, trees trimmed and the new hedge maintained.

Litter picking – this is to take place in a socially distanced manner on Saturday 19th September from 10am. It is noted that there has been some fly tipping (Conifers) in the first layby on Watery Lane and this needs to be reported to ELDC.

Himalayan Balsam – this has been reported to the landowner.

2020/102 Wi-Fi proposal – as per the circulated document the clerk confirmed that the costs were £72 for the purchase of the Router and £23.50 per month for the 12 month contract for the TP linked 4G sim card.

2020/103 Highways & Drainage matters – this has been dealt with during the public forum.

2020/104 Planning Matters – there are none currently.

2020/105 Finance Matters, to approve payments for and to note income since the last meeting:

Grass Cutting- there is to be an invoice sent at the end of the season.

Marshalls, 2 new benches - £750 plus VAT has been paid on cheque number 417

Glasdon, new bin for layby – cost has yet to be confirmed, clerk will resolve

External audit and Internal audit have both now been completed.

SCIS UK Ltd for Wi-Fi Router; £72 one off cost and £23.50 per month – this will be set up as a Direct Debit.

Cemetery maintenance expenses for £220.88 will also be paid at this meeting.

2020/106 Next Meeting

The next parish council meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th November 2020.

Items for the next newsletter will be sent using the local social media sites available to us and will include the work at the cemetery.

Items for the next agenda will include access to the Charity account and donation to the village hall committee. The clerk was also requested to get a form from the bank to add more people as signatories. Further cemetery expenses will also be incurred in time for payment at the November meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.43 pm.

Chairman:

Date: