

**Minutes of the Appleby Parish Council Meeting held on
12th December, 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Appleby Village Hall.**

Present:

Councillor D Hall Chair, Councillor I Keyes Deputy Chair, Councillor L Wilson, Councillor R Wilson, Councillor T Beisty, Councillor A Coulton, Ward Councillor Holly Mumby-Croft and Ward Councillor Ivan Glover. The Parish Clerk Mrs L Watson and 1 member of the public were also present.

16/127 Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Councillor N. Hogg, Councillor P Johnson,

16/128 Declaration of Interest and consideration for dispensations.

There were no declarations of interests

16/129 To receive minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in November, for approval.

The Chair asked if Councillors would approve the minutes.

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held in November, 2016 were approved as a true record. Proposed by Councillor Keyes, seconded by Councillor L Wilson.

16/130 Matters arising from those minutes.

- a) An update had been given by the Clerk on the problem with the dog breeding in the village. The Clerk was asked to email the information to the two residents who had brought the matter to the attention of the Parish Council.
- b) Neighbourhood Grant monies of £1,837.70 not spent had been returned to Groundworks UK via cheque. A grant for £4,800 to be applied for to cover the cost of 2 more consultations, printing, hire of hall, visioning day and refreshments. Approval from residents was required to get the Neighbourhood Plan put in place.

16/131 Financial Reports.

- (a) Chair had received the bank statements and passed these to the Clerk. Clerk to write to bank requesting statements sent to her directly. Clerk to also sort out internet access to monitor accounts and to set up standing order for pay.
Proposed by Councillor Coulton, Seconded by Councillor Keyes

Agreed: by all Councillors

- (b) The precept had been agreed as £8,750, the Clerk was to confirm this in writing to Hazel Collingwood, NLC as per email received. An interactive spreadsheet was available. Clerk to email to all Councillors. Any precept less than £20,000 would be paid in one lump sum.

(c) Accounts presented for approval and payment:

Cheque	Item	Amount
500666	Village Hall meetings	£300
500667	Village Hall grass cutting	£806
500668	Village Hall grant support	£500
500669	HMRC tax from Clerk pay	£28.40
500670	Salary for Clerk	£114.39

Actions

Clerk to email information to residents

Parish Clerk to forward email. Confirm precept and contact bank.

The above accounts were approved for payment. Cheque number 500664 allocated to KVA was used to pay Groundworks UK. KVA was paid via BACS.

Proposed by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Beisty

Agreed: by all Councillors

16/132 To receive and consider any updates regarding establishing Allotments in Appleby.

Councillor Hall has spoken to Ben Jackson on numerous occasions regarding land for allotments with little success. Therefore, on 20 December he is going to a meeting with Winterton to discuss the allotments at Homes Lane. These are ½ mile from the edge of Appleby Parish. The Winterton Mayor, Don Johnson, welcomes Appleby residents taking unused allotments for a nominal sum each year. This looks like the only workable solution. There are approximately 28 plots available and no waiting list at present. It is incumbent upon the Parish Council to provide allotments where possible but if not able to do so there is no penalty.

Action: Chairman to attend meeting and provide update.

16/133 Appleby Station

The Chair had received a letter from a resident at Broughton regarding a car damaged whilst driving over the railway lines at Appleby. The vehicle was travelling at 35mph on a 40mph road. A meeting between the resident, Network Rail and North Lincolnshire Council was held to discuss the condition of the road and the crossing. NLC say it would cost £1.2m to level the road either side which is too expensive. However, they are prepared to put in high intensity lighting; to move the 'Risk of Grounding' signs further away from the crossing and to light them up and to move the speed sign further from the crossing. Network Rail will build up the middle of the crossing where it has dropped. As a goodwill gesture to the complainant they will also look at reimbursing him for the cost of the damaged tyres. The resident accepted the proposed solutions.

If a vehicle is stuck on the crossing then the barriers will not lower and the train is stopped Elsham.

16/134 To consider any issues arising from the NAT meetings.

Councillor Keyes met with Amanda Barnett the new community police officer. The crime figures are still very low although slightly higher than the previous meeting. Hare coursing is a major problem and extra resources had been put in place to monitor this for the next 2 months. Visibility of police by adding extra patrols. PC Amanda Barnett will be attending a drop in day. Incidents need to be logged so they can be followed up.

A letter had been written to Mr Keith Hunter, the Police Crime Commissioner, requesting a visit following the complaint regarding dog breeding in the village but this had been declined. Inspector Tim Harvey had met with Councillor Keyes and asked to attend a Neighbourhood Watch meeting.

16/135 Non-Land Based items from Neighbourhood Plan

Items arising from the Neighbourhood Plan that were deemed the responsibility of the Parish Council had been discussed at a separate meeting.

- (a) Overgrown Gardens and cars parked in front gardens
- (b) Keeping front of premises tidy.

Actions

Chair to attend meeting



It was agreed that cars in front gardens looked abandoned and untidy gardens did not look good in the village, however the Parish Council have no powers to deal with this other than to request residents to help the village to look good and to actively provide advice. The houses on Ermine Street in particularly important as they are the ones seen by people travelling through the village. Savills were also asked to look at the estate houses as these were looking untidy and required repairing.

Action: Article in newsletter showing residents requests via Neighbourhood Plan and the Parish council's response.

16/136 To receive and consider planning matters.

The only planning applications that had been received related to trees and the log store.

16/137 To receive and consider Correspondence.

a) Email regarding Air Pollution

Councillor Keyes had asked if the Parish Council could be made aware of an email received regarding air pollution within North Lincolnshire. No air monitoring reports were being received by the council.

Action: Item to be added to next agenda. Email to be circulated to all Councillors. Ward Councillors to request air reports.

b) Letter received from North Lincolnshire Council regarding the tax base and precept

Action: Letter to be circulated to all Councillors with minutes.

16/138 To discuss issues with roads, footpaths and verges

a) Risby Road potholes and hedges

Councillor Mumby-Croft confirmed that further works were on the programme for 2017/18.

b) Beck Lane/Paul Lane hedges owned by Ongo

Ongo had been approached regarding the hedge as it was causing a problem, particularly in wet weather.

Action: Parish Clerk to follow up with Ongo.

c) Footpaths

These should have been done in Autumn, however, NLC are behind in the programme, now down for micro-slurry seal early 2017.

d) Rutholes on grass verge

These were caused by the recycling wagon due to parked vehicles. Ask residents not to park on verge. Tree in churchyard also causing problem as large agricultural vehicles have to drive on verge to avoid it.

Action: Parish Clerk to write to Keb Farm asking the if vehicles going tjere could use Keb Lane.

Councillor R Wilson asked Ward Councillors to pass on compliments to NLC staff Jo Richards and Mark Thornborough for a prompt response to requests.

16/139 To consider North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor reports.

Ward Members confirmed that Devolution for the Greater Lincolnshire Area would not be occurring.

Standing Orders were suspended at 8.30pm to allow public participation.

Mention was made of the height of the hedge near The Thatched Cottage along Paul Lane. Parish Clerk to discuss with Ongo.

Actions

Newsletter article.

Parish Clerk to circulate email and add to next agenda. Ward Councillors to request air monitoring reports

Parish Clerk to circulate letter

Parish Clerk to discuss concerns with Ongo

Parish Clerk to write to Keb Farm

Ward Councillors to pass on

Parish Clerk to discuss with Ongo



Standing Orders were reconvened at 8.55pm.

16/140 Complaints, suggestions and matters for the press.

- a) Confirmation of dates of meetings in 2017. Tuesday seems to be a good day for everyone, however, this can be amended where necessary. Once date is advertised the meeting must take place
- b) Dog licence planning application to be decided on once received by NLC. Applicants are appealing decision on change of use, NLC to consider in next few weeks.
- c) Standing Orders to be reviewed and updated where necessary. Councillor Keyes and Councillor R Wilson to progress.
Action: Councillors Keyes and Wilson to review.

- d) Confirmation of Clerk



The Clerk was asked to leave the room whilst a discussion took place. The Parish Council confirmed Mrs Lynne Watson as Parish Clerk .

16/141 Confirmation of date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on the **17 January, 2016 at 7.00pm.**

Agreed: by all Councillors present.

There being no further items the Chair thanked everyone for attending. The Chair also wished everyone a good Christmas and New year and the meeting closed at 9.10pm


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Actions

Councillor Keyes
and Councillor
Wilson to review
standing orders