

HUNDLEBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 12th July 2017

Councillors present: Mrs P Badley, Mr M Badley, Mr M Booth, Dr D Cartwright, Mr M Dales, and Ms J Slaymaker.

County Councillor Bill Aron and District Councillor Will Grover also attended the meeting.

1. Apologies.

There were apologies from Mr A Foster and Mrs D Jacklin who had other commitments. This was accepted.

2. Declaration of Interest.

There were no interests to declare.

3. Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting had already been circulated to the Councillors. Cllr M Dales said that there needed to be the following correction to Item 15 of the June minutes:

Cllr M Dales abstained from voting for this application.

After the above correction, it was proposed by Cllr M Badley and seconded by Cllr M Booth that the minutes be approved, all were in favour. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising. Items will be discussed under relevant items.

5. Parish Rooms.

A. General.

It had been reported to a Parish Councillor that some chairs which were being stored in the ladies' toilets were partially blocking the access for disabled users. Cllrs agreed that the chairs must be removed so it was suggested that the shed was cleared out to make room for the chairs.

Cllr has reported the warped window sill to Mr Ford who will attend to it in due course.

6. Village Green and Village.

The Chairman had noticed that the notice board on the village green had some old notices on it. The clerk was asked to check it and renew any relevant documents.

A Cllr reported that the footpath on Saul's boundary was very overgrown, Cllrs think that this footpath is the responsibility of the landowner but Cllr Grover will check whether ELDC or LCC may be responsible. The Chairman reported that some footpaths had been cut during the week so this will be checked before any action is taken.

7. Highway Problems.

The main road through Hundleby was currently being resurfaced, Cllr B Aron was asked if he knew which surface would be used, the surface now was a quiet one but it was expected that tar and chippings would be used this time.

The Council had stopped the grass cutting in the Village. The Chairman said that Parishioners were to be congratulated for cutting their own grass which meant that the Village now looked tidier than ever.

Cllr Aron was thanked for helping to solve the flooding issues within the Village and he was told that the pot holes on Church Lane had still not been repaired although the problem had been reported several times. Cllr Aron said he would investigate.

LED lights had not been fitted in the Village although the Parish Council had been informed that lights should have been replaced by the end of April.

8.Speed watch.

Cllr Aron was informed that the Parish Council had been making enquiries into the purchase of a vehicle activated sign and sharing the sign with another village to reduce costs. Cllr Aron said that the cheaper option which shows speed only and does not store any other data is the best option. He also told Cllrs that the police have a sign which can be loaned to villages. A Cllr said that he would be happy to put a sign out and bring it in at night. Cllr Aron will try and find the details of the PCSO who is responsible for Hundleby and Cllr Grover will check whether any other Parishes might be interested in sharing a sign.

9.Finance

A. E-on had taken £27.32 by direct debit for the estimated bill to 13.06.17.

Anglian Water had been paid £33.62 by direct debit for water up to 30.06.17.

There were no other payments to be made. The clerk reported that £160 had been banked for rental of the Parish Rooms for the general election.

B. The balances in the bank were; £5016.79 in the Treasures Account (Current Account) and £2737.44 in the Business Bank Instant (Deposit Account).

10.Planning.

The Parish Council had received details of the retrospective planning application for The Reservoir, Raithby Hill. Ref N/137/00956/17.

Cllr Grover was asked about the rules governing dropped kerbs and whether all drives should have them. Cllr Grover will look into this.

Cllr Grover explained to the Parish Council about the 'Village Local Plan' which enabled Parish Councillors and Parishioners to have some input into the position and building of properties within the Parish boundaries. He said this could be a costly and time-consuming enterprise and would not prevent large building applications. Cllr Grover said he would get further details for the Parish council but he advised them to wait until the new plan becomes available in 2018.

11. Allotments.

The annual allotment inspection will be held before the September meeting.

12. Correspondence.

The following items had been received:

LCC Highways Division sent details of their phone number and email address for the reporting of faults. The Chairman said that she had found the email option was unsatisfactory and she felt that it was still better to telephone. Cllr Aron said that the Planning department had been re-organised and this was causing problems.

LCC also said that a forum would be held with local Parish Councils. Details of this will be notified when dates are finalised.

LCC had sent a leaflet listing the website addresses to contact re road closures, litter, dog fouling etc.

E-on had sent details of the new contract, there were no changes to existing charges.

Cllr B Aron had to leave the meeting at 7.50 for another appointment. The chairman thanked him for his input and advice.

13. Any other business.

A tidy up in the Church Yard is going to be held on Saturday 12th September. The Parish Councillors said that the Parish Rooms would be available for the making of refreshments. Cllr will inform the booking secretary.

Hundleby Social Group are holding a chine supper on Saturday 23rd September.

Cllr W Grover gave the following information to the Councillors:

Louth Cattle Market was in danger of closure or relocation. He asked that any Councillors who were interested should see the consultation on line and give their comments. This is the last cattle market in the ELDC district.

An area forum was to be held at the Franklin Hall for Chairmen and Clerks on 12th September.

Planning. At the moment planning applications can be 'called in'. There has now been a change in procedure and a committee will assess if a call in is necessary. Communities can object as well as Parish Councils.

The Viking Link Project will go to planning in September/October, please contact Cllr Grover with any concerns.

The PAT test is due on the electrical equipment, Cllr will contact the electrician

The Chairman thanked Cllr Grover for attending the meeting and for his comments.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Councillors will carry out an allotment inspection at 7.00 on 6th September, the Parish Council meeting will follow this at 7.30 in the Parish Rooms.

