

WINTERTON TOWN COUNCIL
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**Minutes of the meeting held in the Old School Hall Community
Centre on the 21 April 2009 at 7.00 pm**



Present: Cllr Cawsey (Chair), Cllr Bridge, Cllr F Fletcher, Cllr Hawley, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Hopkins, Cllr L Langton, Cllr F Marritt, Cllr V Mumby, Cllr M Foster, Cllr Rowson, Cllr P Smith, Cllr A Smith.

Prayers were said by Pam Dudson, Town Clerk.

56/09 Apologies for absence were received from:

Cllr D Johnson, Cllr K Powell, Cllr S Hotchin, Cllr H Price, Cllr A W Smith and Ward Cllr B Regan.

57/09 Declarations of interest from councillors were received for agenda items.

Cllr Bridge and Cllr Langton, for Winterton Playing Field Association and Newport Drive PF. Cllr Cawsey for the Ark. Cllr Hopkins, ref the Old School Hall.

58/09 Minutes of the meeting held on the 17 March 2009 for approval.

Resolved: Minutes approved.

59/09 Matters arising from the minutes were considered which were not under any other agenda item.

- a) Minute 44/09 Item Winterton Rangers. Cllr Allan Smith (NL) asked if the letter and cheque had been sent to The Rangers Football Club. It was confirmed that it had only recently been sent.
- b) The Ward Councillors, Smith and Cawsey, are in touch with Cllr O'Sullivan of North Lincolnshire Council, with a view to improving leisure facilities in Winterton.
- c) Cllr Langton reported that the Newport Drive Changing rooms have been broken into again.
- d) Churchfields – a resident is investigating whether "Churchfields" should be or is adopted by North Lincs Council. Action: Cllr Hopkins to email the clerk with the information.

Standing Orders were suspended 7.15pm

*A member of the public asked if the council would look at the feasibility of opening up a footpath near From Newport Drive to West Street that has been closed off for some time. **Action:** Ward Councillors and Clerk to take this up with North Lincolnshire Council. The amount of Pot holes on Lea's Lane and the spelling of the sign was also mentioned.*

Standing Order resumed at 7:32 pm

60/09 Correspondence was received and considered as follows:

- 1. VANL Communication Course.** Cllr Cawsey presented Cllr Fran Fletcher with a Certificate for Communication Skills.
- 2. Hedon Town Council's letter** informs WTC they are considering their new Mayor. Councillors were asked to consider who may be put forward for Mayor or Deputy Mayor at the Annual General Meeting of the Council.
- 3. Winterton Brownies.** The Winterton Brownies ask for a Donation towards camping equipment. Cllr F Marritt declared an interest.
Resolved: The Council agreed to give £100.00
- 4. Funding for a laptop for the Council.** Action: The clerk to find out how much the laptop will cost and how can the council obtain the funding. Cllr Cawsey suggested the Clerk speak with Burton Parish Clerk.
- 5. Old School Hall Refurbishment Project.** The OSH is reported to have a £20,000 shortfall, and they are looking for funding for that.
- 6. Chapel Lane.** Thank you letter received for informing residents about the outcome of the Chapel Lane proposals.
- 7. ICO (Information Commissioners Office)** who promote access to official information and to protect personal information have sent an update around the freedom of information act to make sure councils fulfill their obligations.
- 8. Rural Housing Survey.** North Lincs Council are carrying out a survey of rural areas to see if suitable housing meets the communities needs. 18,000 households will receive the survey. Cllrs Hotchin and Langton attended the meeting to discuss this.
- 9. North Lincolnshire Council Liaison Meeting.** 17 April. The Clerk emailed and phoned councillors to let them know that the meeting is being held.
- 10. Planning Applications were received for:**
 - a) 3 High Street for a Conservatory and demolish lean to shed.** No. 2009/0223. North Lincs Council did hold a site meeting. Cllr Hopkins declared an interest but stated that it was a shame that people were not aware of the full situation as it was of historical and conservational interest.

Action: The Clerk to let Planning know that the Council would object to this application and feels that Planning should be working to preserve our heritage and the council would like the old building to be incorporated into the new plans. It is also thought that the descriptive reason for the building being demolished is not actually correct. Cllr Cawsey to follow this up with M Welton.
 - b) Winterton Landfill, for 50m guyed anemometer mast for temporary period of 12 months.** No. 2009/0436. Councillors asked what do we know about these masts? Cllr Cawsey to look into this although it is thought to measure air quality.
 - c) C of E School for porch and improved security.** No 2009/0427. No objection.

61/09 To consider progress reports from the Clerk.

Cllr Cawsey asked if anyone would like to discussing anything from the following progress report.

- 1 **Landfill Site Meeting.** The Roxby Site are trying their best to deal with the issues—they are tipping into a smaller area—and covering up with soil at night. They are not sure how to deal with the smell when it is emptied out of the container—but are looking at covering it up straight away. The Liaison meetings will continue on a quarterly basis and they are looking at having an open day so that other councillors can see what is happening down there.
- 2 **Clerical Help.** The Clerk thanked the council personnel committee for agreeing to on this occasion; allow help so that she could take holiday leave.
- 3 **Show Stand.** Display Units vary from £75 (quite Basic and small to £500 which are large panelled event stands. The ones that are like the one I borrowed which goes on a table can be purchased from staples for £100. **Action still required on this.** Show letter for sponsorship on the agenda.
- 4 **CCTV Meeting**— held Wed 8 April—to look at siting the new cameras. CCTV to be checked weekly. The CCTV stopped working on the 25 March, and stopped monitoring. It was agreed there needs to be a proper structure and procedure to make sure that the system is working. SH has stated she would check them once a week. We also have 2 people from the Neighbourhood Watch Group who are willing to get involved with the CCTV.
- 5 **Bus To Brigg.** This started on the 2 April and has been well advertised. The telegraph has been informed, and posters placed at various positions—shops etc. in the Town. I believe free swimming has started too for children and over 60's.
- 6 **OS Hall** The Work on the project will be starting shortly. The drains are in need of repair and could cost the council something if they have collapsed.
- 7 **Cooperative Bank.** The information has now been filled in and the mandate will need signing by those who agreed to be on the mandate. Action: This to be pursued.
- 8 **Cilca** have extended the deadline—from the end of March. The Clerk is fairly well up to date, just has about 4 modules to complete now. Pam and Shirley from Barton Town did not get the support from the Mentor they should have, so one of the other mentors is helping them at the moment—should be almost there by end of April hoping to send Portfolio off for its first check. There may be some alterations and then it goes to the verifier.
- 9 **Annual Town Meeting.** This is to be held on the 5 May—This is not a council meeting, it is the Town Meeting for the Public. If there is anything anyone would like to go onto the agenda, please let the Clerk know by 21 April, as Agendas need to be displayed 7 clear days before the meeting. Thank you.

- 10 **Library For Winterton** —The Chair of the Old School Hall said he was going to write to the council to ask if they had considered meeting with BT to see if their old building could be used for a Library. He said Mr Jackson said there wasn't much in there now and it was mainly used for storage. Mr Summerfield said in his opinion it would be ideal. Winterton Rangers have given the OSH permission to use the drive and access while building works go on. Cllr Cawsey said it was not available at the moment.
- 11 **Conference—4 April was very good.** Cllr Smith said she found it very informative. Cllr Smith may have some comments to make on this. The Power of well being was discussed but there is a criteria that councils must go through before they have the option to use the power of well being. The Clerk attended the afternoon session as Cllr Powell was unable to go, and no other councillors came forward.
- 12 **Highways Issues. “De Crim”**—apparently that is what they are calling the devolving of authority for parking offences which is being transferred from the police to North Lincolnshire Council.
- 13 **Gilby House.** The Clerk has spoken with Gilby House Management, about incidents which have occurred with a particular resident being challenging. It has also been alleged that the man the council had received complaints about has been buying alcohol for the youths in the Park.
- 14 **Marmion Drive Project** - surfacing has now been laid, the project should be completed shortly, and an opening event organised. **Action.**
- 15 **Newsletter the next deadline is the 15 May.** A Committee meeting will be held shortly to discuss the next newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions as to the content—please do let the Mayor and Clerk know. Thank you.
- 16 **Winterton Rangers Football Club.** Meeting to be arranged with a few councillors before the next meeting.

62/09 To receive Ward Councillor reports on issues pertaining to Winterton.

Cllr A W Smith reported that it was possible that the A1077 may have a speed limit implemented on it of 50 mph. He also reported that the Winterton Comprehensive School had had some outstanding results from students, some of which may attend Oxford and Cambridge Colleges, and that he wanted the council to write to them to congratulate the school.

63/09 Notes of the meeting held regarding the Town Council’s CCTV

CCTV issues to be discussed in Committee or at a special meeting so that councillors can consider the quote and implications in a more detailed way. This was agreed. Cllr Cawsey said that she felt all councillors had part to play in making the CCTV work well, and that it needed to be checked to make sure it was running on a weekly basis. **Action:** Meeting to be held to discuss CCTV and the Clerk to make out a Rota for those who are willing to check it each week. Cllr Cawsey to hold training sessions on an evening to bring councillors up to date with how it works.

64/09 To approve the Accounts for Payment and receive notification of accounts paid by the Town Clerk.

The Accounts for payment and bank reconciliation were copied and given to each councillor for their consideration. Resolved: The Council approved the accounts going to Audit, and for P Burton to do the internal audit. The end of Year Returns to be approved by the Financial Committee and a Special Meeting called to arrange for that when appropriate. The Accounts were approved for payment after discussion – please see **Appendix I.**

- 65/09 To consider a donation to the Winterton Senior Citizen Forum.**
Resolved: The Council agreed to donate £100.00.
- 66/09 To consider sponsorship for the Winterton Show in July 2009.**
Resolved: The Town Council agreed to sponsor the Winterton Show Fun Run for £200.00.
- 67/09 NAT Meetings – the next meeting is to be held at Burton Parish village Hall on 28 May at 7. pm.**
 It was agreed that if anyone saw anyone or any vehicles that looked suspicious then, they should report it to the police.
- 68/09 To consider issues arising from the Parks and Playing Fields.**
 The Rocking Rocket has been mended for a substantially less cost by Fletchers, than it would have cost if the council had gone to the original suppliers. It was reported that people were using the Marmion Drive Park as a Dog Run, and that 22 dogs had been counted in there at one time.
 Newport Drive - It was alleged that young people were going into Newport Drive from the Comprehensive School to smoke at lunch time. The Council felt the School should be made aware.
- 69/09 To consider issues for the Annual Town Meeting to be held on the 5 May 2009.**
 Councillors were asked to contact the Clerk as soon as possible if they had anything they wished to go on the Annual Town Meeting Agenda.
- 70/09 To receive progress on the Ark Youth Project.** The Youth Worker, is pleased with the work done in the kitchen area, and 10 young people are playing Bingo now on a regular basis.
- 71/09 To consider issues for the next Winterton Newsletter.**
 Any councillor who has a suggestion to let the Clerk know before the 15 May 2009. It was stated that people should be thanked for cleaning up after their dogs, but that North Lincolnshire Council were covering Dog Fouling in their Direct Magazine.
- 72/09 Councillors issues and press forum.**
1. **Civic Award.** It was suggested that if anyone wanted to propose a member of the Winterton Community for a Civic Award that it could be presented at the Town Meeting. No one has put anyone forward, and it is thought to be a little late in the day to be doing it now. (This could be put in the newsletter to ask members of the community if they wish to put someone forward.)
 2. **HSBC Cash Machine.** It is believed that the reinstatement of this machine is underway.
 3. **Complaint received that the sweeper does not appear to go down Henderson Way and Boynton Crescent car park has not been cleaned.**
 4. **There was mention of the encampment of Travellers who had made Holmes Lane as a temporary base for themselves, but had since moved on. It was noted that they left the area immaculate after they had left.**
 5. **Reports have been received that condoms had been found down Chapel Lane. It was noted that the Rainbow Children's Group sometimes walked down this road, and the area should be cleaned up.**
 6. **It was reported that the seat on the Trods has been damaged. Cllr Harrison said she would investigate and report back to the Clerk.**
 7. **It was reported that Watery Lane right of way sign had been damaged and that the kissing gate on footpath 158 where it joins Appleby Lane was also broken.**

Meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

Signed: