

WINTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Old School Hall Community Centre on the 17 March 2009 at 7.00 pm



Present: Cllr D Johnson (Chair), Cllr Cawsey (deputy), Cllr Bridge, Cllr Hawley, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Hopkins, Cllr Hotchin, Cllr F Marritt, Cllr K Powell, Cllr M Foster, Cllr H Price, Cllr P Smith, Cllr A Smith.

Prayers were said by the Rev A Nunn

38/09	<p>Apologies for absence were received:</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Langton (personal), Cllr Rowson, (meeting) Cllr Mumby (Ill), Cllr F Fletcher – possibly late (personal) Cllr A W Smith and Ward Cllr B Regan.</p>
39/09	<p>Declarations of interest from councillors were received for agenda items.</p> <p>Cllr Johnson and Cllr Bridge, for Winterton Playing Field Association and Newport Drive PF. Cllr Cawsey and Cllr Price for the Ark. Cllr Hopkins, ref the Old School Hall, Cllr Powell – Allotments.</p>
40/09	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on the 17 March 2009 for approval.</p> <p>Resolved: Minutes approved.</p>
41/09	<p>Matters arising from the minutes were considered which were not under any other agenda item.</p> <p>a) Minute 37/09 Item 2 Winterton Projects: Cllr Harrison said she would like to make it clear that there was no intention to make decisions on behalf of the council, and that when she attended the funding forum she had to put a project forward , otherwise, Winterton would have missed out. Cllr Harrison said she kept the Mayor informed, and had told the Clerk that she would be attending the initial meeting at Forest Pines, she stressed no decisions had been made, she then reported back to the February meeting on the issue.</p> <p>b) Minute 22/09 Councillor Training. Cllr P Smith said in relation to training, Cllr Smith and Cllr Powell wanted to go to the Conference and would the council pay for it. The Clerk explained that this issue could not be decided under the matters arising item, and should be considered under correspondence.</p>
42/09	<p>Correspondence was received and considered as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">ERNLLCA - Conference for councillors and ERNLLCA are going independent. Consideration was given by the Councillors for Cllr P Smith and Cllr K Powell to attend the councillor’s conference which was to cost £38 each and held 4 April. The Councillors did not have transport, but stated that they would be able to go on the bus. Resolved: Councillors agreed to pay for the Conference from this coming year’s precept.Winterton Show – Council Stand. The Show committee invites the Town Council to have a stand this year. The Clerk needs to know who on the council will help man the stand. The Clerk has suggested the council purchase their own display board, as the Clerk has had to borrow one from North Lincolnshire Council. Resolved: The Town Council to have a stand on Sunday. 4/5 councillors put their names forward to help. The Clerk to obtain prices for display boards.

Correspondence was received and considered as follows:

3. **Winterton Show Sponsorship.** The Council asked if a decision could be made on this at the same time. No correspondence has been received on this, but it has been precepted for. This item to go on the April agenda for a decision. Action: To consider sponsorship of Fun Run on Agenda.
4. **NAT Team Meetings Questionnaire.** Questionnaire's had been sent to those people who had attended the NAT Meetings. Cllr Johnson said he felt they were well supported, had good representation on from various groups and he felt, were very successful. Next meeting is on 2 April at Flixborough Village Hall at 7.00 pm.
5. **Planning Update.** A planning meeting had been held to inform Town councils of procedures etc., and councillors were informed of the date venue etc.. Action: The Town Council stated they would like to know why planning applications have been refused, they felt that if they received this type of feedback then it would improve councillors knowledge. Cllr Cawsey said she would speak to Planning about this.
6. **Trip to Windfarm.** Councillors have been informed of the free trip to a Windfarm near Harrogate.
7. **Biffa Meeting.** Cllr Powell and the Town Clerk to attend the Biffa Meeting held at the Roxby Site tomorrow, to discuss progress of the work on site, and discuss the monitoring of smells emitting from the site. **Action:** Issues from the meeting will be reported to the Town Council.
8. **Standards Board Newsletter. Code of Conduct for Councillors.** Cllr Price asked if there were any new amendments to the code of conduct document of 2007. A consultation has taken place regarding the current member's code which also explored the possibility of introducing a code for officers. Action: Clerk to make enquiries.
9. Street Numbering. There have been new street numbers recommended for West Street.
10. Neighbourhood Panel Meeting held on the 6 April. Cllr Smith reported that no police turned up to the last meeting.
11. **Planning Issues.** *(Member of the public asked to speak so the council suspended standing orders). Rev. A Nunn said she had been waiting to speak with the council, but Rev Nunn – did not make it clear to either the Clerk or the Mayor at the beginning of the meeting that she wished to speak. The Mayor apologised to Rev Alice Nunn and said neither he nor the Clerk realized she wanted to speak on an issue). (Rev A Nunn spoke to the council about the planning application for 43 West Street, and stated that she was opposing it. It was felt the development would block view of the church, people would complain about the bell ringing, too close to boundary of the church affect trees and tree preservation orders, proposed development density was too much, and overcrowded. It was not in keeping with the area. Problems from safety and access to the site, adding to the congestion and parking problems on West Street. The Rev. A Nunn urged councillors to reject the application.) Standing orders resumed 7:50pm.*
12. **Dog fouling.** Two letters of complaint were received about dogs fouling on pavements and on local playing fields. The Clerk has contacted North Lincolnshire Council about these issues. One of the letters also reported some of the really bad smells that have been emitting from the Landfill Site at Roxby. The Town Council are aware of these problems and the site manager and environmental agency are trying to address the issues. **Dog Notices up on Playing Field.** It was agreed the Town Council contact North Lincolnshire Council about this. It was also suggested one of the Winterton doctors be asked to write a health article on dog fouling. One resident wrote to the council though stating that children can catch the same thing from cats.

	<p>13. Awards for all. Lottery Funding. Information in connection with lottery funding which the council can apply for to pay for IT equipment including laptops.</p> <p>14. Best Kept Village Competition and CPRE AGM 25 April 2009. The Council agreed to enter the best kept village/small town competition. Resolved: to Pay £10 to enter the best kept small town competition. Action: Hanging baskets for Winterton on April Agenda.</p> <p>15. Winterton Senior Citizen’s Forum. This group is asking for funding to help support the running of the Group. (This to be placed on the next agenda).</p> <p>16. Planning issues for consideration: Cllr Cawsey produced a list of issues that councils could complain about.</p> <p>a) Planning Applications: Ref: 2009/0328 Listed building consent to demolish existing lean to shed with associated alterations to boundary wall in connection with the conversion and extension of outbuilding into a residential annex. Action: Council felt it was difficult to make a decision and requested more information for the planning application, the council did suggest that North Lincs Council should have a site visit to look at the application. Cllr L Hopkins declared an interest.</p> <p>b) Planning application 2009/0151 12 De Lacy Way, extension. No objections.</p> <p>c) Planning Permission given to 2008/1630 and 1633 and 1631 for CCTV Masts and associated cameras to be installed at various locations on the Grangefield Estate.</p> <p>d) Planning Application: Ref: 2007/1633 The Council objected to this application for the reasons laid down in Appendix I. Cllr Hawley had made a list of objections to the development in readiness for the council to consider its views. (The Rev A Nunn’s Views, presented to the council, and indeed the views of adjacent residents, were also taken into consideration). Cllr M Foster abstained from voting.</p>
43/09	<p>To consider any action required from the Clerk’s Progress Report.</p> <p>1. The Bus to Brigg. It has been arranged that the £1 Bus will start its runs to Brigg on Thursdays as from the 2 April. A license has been obtained and Flyers have been put out to advertise this.</p> <p>2. CCTV – Councillors were asked to confirm that they wish to go ahead with the CCTV, accepting the original quote given by Brent, now that the planning permission has been received. Resolved: Proposed by Cllr KP, seconded by Cllr FM, all councillors were in favour. It was also agreed that a meeting of the CCTV committee would be held before the next meeting.</p> <p>3. COOP Bank. The Clerk has carried out research into banking, and the Cooperative bank offers a good competitive banking service. The Coop Bank is also merging with Britannia Building Society. Resolved: Councillors agreed to open an account at the Coop to deposit £50,000 of the council precept. Councillors AW Smith, L Hopkins, L Cawsey, M Harrison, F Fletcher, H Price, have agreed to be on the mandate for the signing of cheques.</p> <p>4. Show Stand Display Board. The Council asked the Clerk to try and obtain prices for display boards so that the Town Council have their own boards.</p> <p>5. CiLCA. The Clerk reported that she found the course interesting, and that she was having further training and mentoring.</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Gilby House Residents. Reports have been received of concerns of the community about a resident of Gilby House who is frightening people, by jumping out on them whilst riding their bikes and shouting at them in Shops. The person has also tried to get into the Infants School and the Toddler Group at the Old School Hall. Resolved. The Clerk was asked to go and speak with the Manager of Gilby House. 7. West Street Park. Teen Shelter Roof is broken. Action: The Clerk is to obtain a price for new one or get local engineer to mend the existing. 8. MDPF Ball Court is underway, and should be completed by end of April, which is great news. 9. Winterton Newsletter well received. Action: Clerk to write to WIN and ask them to thank the people who take it out and compliment them on a good job. Next issue needs to be done by beginning of May. 10. Allotments. Action: Clerk to send the rules and regulations to the Mayor to review and make recommendations for the council. 11. Standing orders and Financial Standing Orders are being reviewed by the Policy Committee.
44/09	<p>To receive Ward Councillor reports pertaining to Winterton.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Winterton Rangers Football Club received a Community Award, and Cllr Allan Smith asked if the council would write to Rangers and congratulate them for putting Winterton firmly on the map. Action: Clerk to write to Winterton Rangers congratulating them on their achievements. 2. Cllr L Cawsey reported that the pathways on Earlsgate would be done shortly, and that a litter clearance had taken place on the A1077. Some people had complained about the waiting times while the litter was removed. Holes on West Street will be leveled off with tarmac. Sowers Lane footpaths have been resurfaced with slurry. 3. Lighting on Stovin Crescent and Market Hill was reported by the Ward Councillors and the Clerk and the Electricity Board are looking into the problems. 4. Ward Councillors Cllr Cawsey and Cllr A Smith are meeting with various authorities regarding leisure facilities and other services that are provided in Winterton, with a view to improving them.
45/09	<p>To consider the accuracy of the Policy and Finance Committee Minutes. Cllr Marritt abstained as she felt the policy minutes did not quite read correct. Resolved: The policy minutes were approved.</p>
46/09	<p>To consider recommendations from the Policy Committee. The Recommendations were that the Financial and the General Standing orders are reviewed and adopted by the Council. These will be sent out to councillors once they have been finalized. The allotments regulations are to be reviewed and that as allotments are given up, the existing half allotment will be known as a whole one, and that they are divided into a quarter, which will be known as a half.</p> <p>It was also recommended that the Park Keeper be given an allowance towards to the cost of his mobile phone expenditure. See Appendix II – under Accounts for Payment.</p>

46/09	<p>To approve the Accounts for Payment and receive notification of accounts paid by the Town Clerk.</p> <p>The Accounts for payment and bank reconciliation were copied and given to each councillor for their consideration. Resolved: The Accounts were approved for payment – please see Appendix II.</p>
47/09	<p>To consider holding a Stand at the Winterton Show in July 2009.</p> <p>Councillors agreed to have a stand on the Sunday and man the stand. The Clerk will collect material and arrange for displays to go on the stand.</p>
48/09	<p>To consider purchase of the CCTV. Resolved: It has been agreed that this project will go ahead.</p>
49/09	<p>To consider supporting Winterton Rangers Football Club by giving them improved funding towards their facility or by fundraising methods or both.</p> <p>Cllr Cawsey suggested the council could help Rangers carry out some funding raising to help Rangers as support towards their project, as North Lincolnshire Council had stated that if they were to give funding to Rangers Scheme, it was expected that the Town Council would also give a percentage. A Summer Ball was suggested, and a car boot sale at Winterton Show Ground. It was felt by some councillors that it would be a good way to wards building bridges and improving relationships.</p> <p>Resolved: The Council agreed to given Rangers improved funding of £1,500.00 and that a meeting should be arranged to look at improving relations between the Town Council and The Winterton Rangers Football Club.</p>
50/09	<p>To consider any actions required from the NAT meeting.</p> <p>Some damage has been caused in Winterton lately, a car was damaged on High Street, and lock-ups broken into on Newport Drive Playing Field. DNA samples have been taken from the scene. Youths on the estate are also running across people’s cars around 9 – 10 pm causing some damage. This to be brought up at the next NAT meeting.</p>
51/09	<p>To consider a letter of progress from the Old School Hall Management Committee – who state that the drains between the Old School Hall and the Ark need renewing, and that the flat roof of the Ark will need to be replaced. Resolved: The Council accepted the recommendations of the letter.</p> <p>Cllr Cawsey reported that the mini kitchen had been fitted at the Ark and that it had made a marked improvement to its use. The amount of youths attending was also increasing with numbers between 18 – 30 attending every Friday night. The lighting to the rear of the building needs repairing. Leaflets have been put in the ark on various youth issues such as sexual health etc..</p>
52/09	<p>To consider Maintenance Contract for the Parks, Cemetery and Churchyard. Resolved: After obtaining various quotes the council agreed to accept the quote from Neighbourhood Services at North Lincolnshire Council again this year.</p>
53/09	<p>To consider progress from the Newport Drive, West Street and Marmion Drive Playing Fields. Cllr Johnson said the hedging had been planted but not the fruit trees as yet. Action: Letter to D Sanderson to thank him and his team for their help. Also Mr R Walker to be contacted to ask him to cut the Newport Drive Playing Field .</p>

54/09	Councillors issues and press forum.
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Simon's Wood - Information Board broken. Clerk to contact the Woodland Trust for a new one. 2. Roundabout – too large, on Top Road – large lorries cant maneuver them. 3. Churchfields – have had some repairs carried out. Cllr Hopkins asked who owned Churchfields? The Clerk said she thought that it belonged to the Stubbins Family, and that the road was un-adopted. 4. Cllr Hopkins asked about a plaque and a family???? Couldn't hear what this was about, will contact Lucinda next week. <p>Council went into committee to discuss the maintenance contract Appleby Lane and Top Road verge cutting, The Council also accepted a quote from one of the contractors who quoted for the Cemetery Arch, if the council could obtain funding.</p>

Meeting Closed 9:45 pm