

WINTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

c/o 21 Ermine Street, Appleby, Scunthorpe, North Lincs.

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

PRESENT: Cllr L Cawsey (Chair/Mayor) Cllr F Fletcher, Deputy Mayor
Cllr R Bridge, Cllr Hotchin Cllr V Mumby
Cllr M Foster Cllr D Johnson Cllr K Powell
Cllr M Harrison Cllr L Langton, Cllr A W Smith
Cllr L Hopkins Cllr F Marritt, Cllr Allan Smith (NL)

Prayers were said by the Town Clerk , Pam Dudson .

Standing orders were suspended 7:10 pm

This allowed councillors to look through planning applications.

Standing orders were resumed 7:25 pm.

160/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED FROM:

Cllr D Hawley, Cllr H Cllr H Price, Cllr P Smith and Cllr B Regan

161/09 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE. Cllr L Hopkins ref the Old School Hall. Cllr Fletcher and Cllr K Powell reference the accounts. Cllr Cawsey ref the Ark. Cllr Bridge, Cllr Langton and Cllr Johnson ref the Newport Drive P.F. DJ and LC re Planning Application.

162/09 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 October 2009 AS A TRUE RECORD.

Resolved: The minutes were approved as a true record.

163/09 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

None.

164/09 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

- 1 HIGHWAYS – Road Safety Consultation. The Council were given a consultation paper each which they returned to the Clerk to pass on to Highways. The results for the first five priorities were to deal with: 1. Speeding, 2. Parking Issues, 3. Careless and Dangerous driving. 4 Repairing the Highway, and 5. Pedestrian Safety.
- 2 HUMBER AND WOLDS RURAL HOUSING ENABLER. Ask if they could attend a council meeting shortly. Resolved: To ask them to attend meeting in January or February 2010.
- 3 YEDL. Have completed installing power to the CCTV. The Clerk has to now apply for NPower to install meters and accept the Council's application for them to supply Electric.
- 4 FOOTPATH – NEWPORT DRIVE TO BONBY FANCY. Colin Wilkinson from the Environment Team confirmed that this application is now with the Secretary of State and that the Town Council do not have to do anything more.
- 5 NORTH LINCS COUNCIL - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT SCOPING OPINION FOR WINTERTON WINDFARM PROPOSAL.

Initially Cllr Johnson said he felt the could should object. The Council had some queries as to whether the wind farms would affect TV reception and what was the noise level when generating? The Council then agreed that if there were to be wind farms that they should be at the base of the hill or if they were at the top that their size should be reduced from 120 meters.

- 6 WTC has received notification that the Norton AntiVirus needs renewing.
Resolved: This was agreed.
- 7 Foxit PDF Maker. The Clerk has had this free for a year, but needs the programme to send the newsletter to WIN. The Council agreed to reimburse the Clerk for the cost of the PDF Maker.
- 8 NLC letter re the illegal parking of cars on Queen Street, West Street corner. This has now been put into a programme of consultation.
- 9 N L Environment Team & CCTV. AB letter states they would not permit the removal of the tree in the Market Place, but North Lincs council have removed some of the branches from the tree.
- 10 NLC Environment Team. Are consulting on sustainable homes and renewable energy for all new industrial and commercial property. Councillors were urged to go on line to fill out the consultation on the North Lincs Web site.
- 11 Planning Applications. Application Numbers 2009/ 1247, 1108, and 1174. There were no objections to any of these applications.

165/09 TO CONSIDER PROGRESS REPORTS

- 1 **Chapels Project.** The roof of both Chapels has been sealed. The Committee agreed to go with the contractor who could complete the whole project. The Archway stones are being made and the Contractor should be starting the Arch around Christmas time. The Clerk was asked to thank all contractors who quoted for the project.
- 2 **Precept Meeting.** The precept meeting has been agreed for the 24 November 2009 at the OS Hall at 7.00 pm. The recommendations from this meeting will go back to the full council for approval.
- 3 **CCTV.** Brent have confirmed that they can monitor the CCTV on behalf of the council by internet access if necessary. Brent employ Security Guards for hire if the council wished to hire any to stop anti social behaviour in the West Street Park.
- 4 **ARK.** The rooms have now been completed upstairs and could be used for a meeting room. The windows will be fitted shortly.
- 5 **NATS AND POLICING ISSUES.** The Park Keeper found hypodermic needles and insulin in the West Street Park. The Council are carrying out a risk assessment to protect Park Keeper from these sharps. The Clerk is also looking at whether an industrial garden vacuum could be purchased to pick up small sharp objects.
- 6 **Newsletter.** This has been completed and has gone to print.
- 7 **Newport Drive PF.** The Winterton PFA are happy to establish a BMX area on the Playing Field. Cllr Langton is in the process of obtaining drawings from an architect for some proposals on the field. Once Cllr Langton has the information she will bring it to a council meeting.
- 8 **Council Insurance.** The Clerk is in the process of reviewing the council insurance to make sure it gets a good deal.
- 9 **Tree in the Market Place obstructing CCTV.** The branches have now been trimmed back.
- 10 **Christmas Illuminations.** The Lighting has now been erected and tested. PC A Barnett contacted the Town Clerk to say that she did not think it was a good idea to put lights in the park; however, they have been met with lots of positive comments. The Clerk thanked PC Barnett for her views and said we will see how it goes.
- 11 **Web Author.** Roger has hurt his hand and is unable to take photos at present. He is still asking for councillors to send him information so that he knows what is going on in the town and any photos they may have of events.
- 12 **BIFFA.** Residents are complaining about the smells again at the moment.

166/09 WARD COUNCILLOR REPORTS.

Ward Councillors met with David Hey – Manager of the Community Engagement Team at North Lincolnshire Council – who has promised that Winterton will get some funding to pay for an outreach worker in the Town. They are now waiting for him to come back to them with the details. Cllr A W Smith reiterated that Barton, Brigg and Crowle are getting a lot of money spent on them and what was Winterton being left out? A letter did go to Cllr Foster about this, but the council is awaiting a reply. The Ward councillors said they would look into why he hadn't replied.

Cllr Cawsey said the Bus Committee are providing a Bus to Brigg Farmers Market which will go on to the Brigg Garden Centre on the 19 December, at 10 am and it will return at 2 pm and the Brigg Mayor has agreed to meet everyone who goes on the Bus to the Brigg Market – and make them very welcome.

Cllr Cawsey reported that she visited the open evening of the Fire Brigade who made her very welcome, and said they wanted to have more dialogue with the community. They were still fitting free fire alarms for people.

Cllr Powell said she had attended the presentation the Best Kept Town and had received a cheque for the Town Council for £25.00 for coming third. It was agreed that the money should be spent on bulbs for verges.

167/09 TO CONSIDER ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR OCTOBER 2009.

Accounts for November were considered for payment by the council.

Resolved: Accounts were approved for payment see (Appendix I).

168/09 TO CONSIDER NAT MEETINGS AND POLICING ISSUES.

Next meeting is on the 3rd December at 7 pm at Winteringham Village Hall.

169/09 TO CONSIDER ISSUES ARISING FROM THE OLD SCHOOL HALL.

The Chair of the Old School Hall reported on the Old School Hall Project. A new path will be laid alongside the Ark to provide access to the new annex and new drains have been laid. Once the project is complete Panda Play will increase its operations to 10 sessions a week, and it is anticipated they will have more bookings for the main hall. The Chair has had enormous problems with British Gas but the gas meter will be moved to the front of the ark by the 19 October 2009. This has incurred extra costs for the OS Hall and they may need some financial help. It is anticipated that the Chair will let the council know any extra costs expected by the 24 November. It was reported that the users had been very accommodating and helpful during this difficult time.

170/09 TO CONSIDER ISSUES ARISING FROM THE COUNCIL'S PARKS AND SPORT AREAS.

- a) Newport Drive. Cllr Langton said an Architect was producing plans for a Sport Pavilion for the Winterton PFA and that they would be brought to the council for information. If agreeable the plans will then go in for Planning Permission. The WPPFA were happy to establish a BMX track. Cllr Johnson said there were a lot of stones on the new land and that he felt the Town Council should maintain that for another year.
- b) Street Sport will be coming back to Winterton once they have new coordinators.
- c) A application has been put in by the Town Clerk for the PLAYBUILDER SCHEME through North Lincs Council for Marmion Drive Playing Field. This scheme does need match funding.

171/09 TO CONSIDER A CCTV SYSTEM FOR THE WEST STREET PARK.

It was felt that this was going to be costly and difficult. It was suggested that a CCTV unit could be put on buildings near the park but that the owners would have to be approached about this. Some council members thought there was not as many problems at present. The Clerk said she

would log complaints for monitoring purposes from January to April.

Resolved: CCTV to be placed on the January AGENDA.

172/09 TO CONSIDER ISSUES FOR THE PRECEPT MEETING IN NOVEMBER 2009.

Resolved: The Council agreed that Policy and Finance could look at the Precept and make recommendations back to the full council. Cllr M Harrison was nominated onto the Policy Committee in place of Cllr H Rowson. After checking attendance it was noted Cllr Rowson had missed 6 months of meetings. Cllr Rowson was, disqualified off the council. North Lincolnshire Council will be notified of this and the vacant position on the council will be advertised.

173/09 TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS CONSULTATION ON ROAD SAFETY.

Councillors filled out the consultation paper and handed this in to the Clerk to process.

174/09 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AND PRESS FORUM.

- a) Bus Service at Christmas. The bus committee was considering putting on a coach to the Ice Skating in Scunthorpe and informed the council that if they did so it would still be within their budget. Council agreed they had given executive powers to the Clerk and Bus Committee to make that decision.
- b) Brass Band Concert has been arranged at Rangers on the 5 December at Winterton Rangers Social and Football Club. This is a joint venture by the Town Council with Rangers and it is £10 per ticket. It is felt that the Town Council and Winterton Rangers do need to work together in the community.
- c) Mud on Roads. Complaints had been received about mud on the roads and farmers were urged to clean up after they had been on the roads. Action: Clerk to ask Highways to keep an eye on this.
- d) Parking during School times. It is reported that this is still a problem and that cars park all over the place to enable parents to park near to the school.
- e) Gas Pipe. Mr. F Jervis asked if it was the council's responsibility to protect this pipe. Dr Walshaw has previously contacted the council about this and after the clerk investigated whose responsibility it was – it was ascertained that it wasn't the Town Councils. It was agreed to write to the Church to suggest that they make it safe if it is a problem as they are suggesting.
- f) Memorial Service. It was agreed that it had been a good turn out and a good service. The Clerk was asked to write to Rev A Nunn and the British Legion to thank them for all they had done to recognise this.

Council went into committee.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.