Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 23rd November 2015

Present:		
Parish Councillors		
Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)	Cllr Francis Cartwright (FC)
Cllr John Pickard (JP)	Cllr Rachel Stevenson (RS)	Cllr Peter Morris (PM1)
		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
District Councillors		
Peter Moseley (PM2)		
Press		
James Leach		

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1	Apologises – Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD)	
2	The Chairman welcomed all present. It was agreed to do the Neighbourhood Plan Agenda item at beginning of meeting, details under the relevant heading.	
3	No members of the public were present.	
4	Declarations of Interest – None	
5	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by FC and seconded by RS.	
6	Matters Arising It was agreed that any matters arising will be coverd in the relevant parts of the Agenda.	
7	Planning No planning applications or decisions had been received since the llast meeting	
8	Cemetery BW had received a couple of complaints that a couple of grave plots had began to sink slightly. BW had rectified these and they were now level again.	
9	Neighbourhood Watch No incidents had been reported.	
10	 Highways A notification had been received re the Closure for 6 months of Footpath No12, in Keisby/Temple Wood, for essential reair work and maintenance. The footpath was still accessable to foot traffic but nothing bigger and local diversions had been installed. The closure had beagun on 13th November. JL had reported the damaged Village Sign on Kirkby Underwood Road to Highways and a job had been raised to replce/repair it. The unsafe bridge on Footpath No 4 had been repaired. 	

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	BH said he had recived a couple of complaints from local residents about the road leading off Aveland Way up to the entrance to the Vicarage and what we could do to get it repaired/re-surfaced. JL & BW explained that this road was unadopted and was on Common Land and as such it was not the responsibility of Highways to repair. The last time it was resurfaced the owner of the Vicarage paid for the work. A discusion was had about why it should be done and the possible fire hazard, under new development legislation, it may cause and so BH asked if we would approach Highways to adopt the road. JL suggested that the residents concerned made a formal request and BW said he would make initial enquries to Highways on how such a request could/would be dealt with. BH also asked that Councillor Martin Hioll was copied in.	
11	Finance	
	A payment had been made since the last meeting:-	
	BDG Mowing contractors - £170.00	
	JL said he had received the forms for the 2016/17 Precept which needed to be returned to SKDC by 22 nd January 2016. It was agreed that the amount to be asked for would be decided at the next meeting on 4 th Jan 2016. JL will add this to the Agenda for that meeting. Some discussion was had as to what should be done for next year, in light of the fact that some budgets would be cut, such as grass cutting. BW said the people he had spoken to had all said they would rather keep the grass cutting as it was and if that meant an increase in the Precept that was acceptable.	JL
	PM2 suggested we may wish to give grass cutting back to SKDC but all agreed this would not be the preferred option. He also said that as the budget was not set until after the Precept Forms had to be returned we may have an argument to keep the same allowance as last year in view of the fact that we would have set the Precept on the assumption any cut in allowance would not be substantial.	
	All agreed that next years Precept would have to be increased, as we had not increased it for the last 5 years. A figure will be discussed at the next meeting.	
	JP asked that JL forward the "Outgoings" Spreadsheet to him prior to the next meeting. JL will do this. JP will then prepare a short report to assist with the Precept.	JL,JP
	JL stated he had also received notification that the LALC membership would be increasing by £2.13 next year.	
12	Correspondence	
	All correspondence had been dealt with in other sections of the meeting.	

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13	SKDC Update/Neighbourhood Plan	
	JL said he had received notification of the Initial Meeting set up by PM2. He will forward a copy of this to all Parish Councillors.	JL
	PM2 gave a brief update on where progress had got to and again re-iterated why he felt it was important that all Parishes got involved. PM1 agreed that he would attend the initial meeting on Tueday 8 th December at Rippigale Village Hall 7.30pm and then feed back to the Parish Coucil at the next meeting. JL will add this as an Agenda Item.	PM1 JL
	FC asked PM2 to ask Martin Hill from LCC, in relation the Transport part of the Neighbourhood Plan that the Call Connect Buses would continue. PM2 said he would do this.	PM2
14	Lincs County Council Update	
	No one from Lincs CC was present so no update was available.	
15	A.O.B	
	BW proposed dates for the next meetings for 2016 as:-	
	4 th January, 15 th February, 28 th March and the AGM on 16 th May. All meetings will comemnce at 8pm apart from the AGM which will commence at 7pm	
16	Date of next meeting Monday 4 th January 2016 – 8.00 pm at the Village Hall. Meeting closed at 09.10pm.	