

Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 05th October 2015

Present:

Parish Councillors		
Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)	Cllr Francis Cartwright (FC)
Cllr John Pickard (JP)	Cllr Rachel Stevenson (RS)	County Cllr – Martin Hill (MH)
		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
District Councillors		
Peter Moseley (PM2)		
Press		
James Leach		

Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologises – District Cllr Peter Moseley (PM2), Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD), , Cllr Peter Morris (PM1) Not received but accepted	
2	The Chairman welcomed all present.	
3	No members of the public were present.	
4	Declarations of Interest – None	
5	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by RS and seconded by JP.	
6	Matters Arising It was agreed that any matters arising will be covered in the relevant parts of the Agenda.	
7	Planning A planning application had been received from Mr & Mrs G Atkinson. No objections were raised. The planning application from Mr C Green from the last meeting has been accepted by SKDC Planning.	
8	Cemetery There have been no internments since the last meeting. All hedges and trees had been done and an invoice received. See Finance.	
9	Neighbourhood Watch A property on Aveland Way had had some oil stolen approx. 3 weeks ago. Members of the public are reminded to be vigilant, especially coming into the winter and darker evenings and report anything suspicious.	

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10	<p>Highways</p> <p>JL had spoken to Highways at LCC and SKDC and jobs had been raised to repair the bank near the bridge on Footpath No 4.</p> <p>BW said he had spoken to Highways when they came to inspect the footbridge and had been told that a member of the public had also contacted them and been very abusive to the person on the other end of the phone. BW expressed his regret and apologised.</p> <p>The village sign on Kirkby Underwood Road had been damaged and a job has been raised to replace this.</p> <p>BW said he had been approached by a mother in the village asking why there wasn't a lower Speed Limit on the main A15 going past the end of the village. MH explained that as the A15 did not go through the village i.e. only the pub and Village Hall were actually on the A15, it would be impossible to get a lower limit implemented. If a majority of the dwelling were on the A156 this would be different. He also went on to say that a resident in Folkingham had asked if there could be a 50mph limit imposed on the A15 from Sleaford to Bourne, this would not be supported for the same reasons. As there had been no serious accidents at the Village/A15 junction the current limit was not deemed to be excessive.</p>	
11	<p>Finance</p> <p>Two payments had been made since the last meeting:-</p> <p>BDG Mowing contractors - £170.00 SKDC Electoral Services - £77.00</p> <p>A cheque needed to be raised :-</p> <p>Lionel Fisher – Cemetery Maintenance - £432.00. This is higher than normal as the hedges and tree branches had been cut back.</p> <p>A number of cheques were signed in preparation for the above & any other bills that arrived before the next meeting. JL to issue.</p> <p>It was also agreed to transfer £500 from the savings account to the cheque account to cover the above. JL to arrange.</p> <p>JL said that he had paid the last two Water Rates Bills on his personal bank card as it was easier to do it this way, and that he would claim the money back when his next wages were due.</p>	<p>JL</p> <p>JL</p>
12	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>The only correspondence had been invoices which had either already been paid or would be paid shortly. The only other correspondence was the planning application that had already</p>	

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	<p>been discussed. JL had emailed this for comment prior to the meeting.</p>	
13	<p>SKDC Update/Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>JL stated that he had received no emails from PM2 with proposed dates for the initial meeting discussed at the previous meeting, but more importantly had received no volunteers to attend the meeting. BH said he would attend if no one else wanted to so JL said he would pass on details as soon as they were received from PM2.</p> <p>FC stated that the Georgian Festival recently held in Grantham had been a huge success and a number of events such as the Ball, Carriages had been sold out.</p> <p>FC commented on the topic of Devolution which MH had mentioned and stated that 38 other Authorities had also bid for Devolution and not all would be accepted.</p> <p>FC stated that by 2020 the whole way Districts would be funded from Central Government would change and possibly cease. Authorities would need to be run more like a business to survive.</p>	
14	<p>Lincs County Council Update</p> <p>MH said that LCC had to make another 30% cuts in expenditure which equated to approx. 150 million. They have already managed to find 60 million and where confident they would find another 60 million. The unfortunate knock on effect of these savings would have an impact on things such as street lighting, the number of times grass verges were cut would be reduced, PCSO's etc. This would also have an impact on the amount of money Aslackby & Laughton PC received for grass and footpath maintenance. BW said we would need to address this once new figures were known.</p> <p>MH said that LCC had submitted a bid for Devolution. This would mean that many decisions currently made by Central Government would be devolved to Local Government. The process was ongoing and no decision was expected until possibly 2018-2019. If accepted it would not mean any additional money but hopefully some grants would be available. Manchester had already gone through the process and been accepted. If people wanted any additional information on the impacts of Devolution they can visit the Government Website.</p> <p>A trial had been run to link the Ambulance Service and Fire Service together to share resources and initial trials had been successful.</p> <p>BH asked what the state of Adult Social Care was like at present and MH gave a brief resume and stated that overall it was working very well.</p>	

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15	<p data-bbox="336 264 1243 295">A.O.B</p> <p data-bbox="336 331 1243 430">BH said that he would organise the second skip for the village for the 31st October. JL will print off the slips to be delivered to each household.</p> <p data-bbox="336 465 1243 564">BH asked what was happening with Fibre Broadband. JL and RS stated that it was already here. RS said she had registered with BT and received her new box but had not yet used it.</p>	JL
16	<p data-bbox="336 600 1243 663">Date of next meeting Monday 23rd November 2015 – 8.00 pm at the Village Hall.</p> <p data-bbox="336 663 1243 701">Meeting closed at 08.50pm.</p>	