Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 20th October 2008

Present:

Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)	Cllr John Pickard (JP)
Cllr Andrew Dodds (AD)	Cllr Malcolm Dodds	Cllr Frances Cartwright
	(MD)	(FC)
District Cllr Andrea Webster (AW)		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
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No members of the		
public present.		

Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologises – Cllr Andrew Dodds (AD), Cllr Rick Miller (RM)	
2	BW welcomed all present.	
3	Declarations of Interest – None	
4	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by JP and seconded by MD.	
5	Matters Arising	
	BW had spoken to someone about the Land Registry Forms and should have an answer by the next meeting.	BW
	JL has composed the Crimes list and this was passed round for comment. MD added one further incident that had not been recorded. This list will now be updated after every meeting.	
	AW ha not spoken to PC Smith about attending one of our meetings but will contact him before the next meeting.	AW
	BW had contacted Highways about the potholes. This will be dealt with under Highways.	
	The action point for Free trees for Parishes was not cleared and the closing date has now passed so this will not be carried forward.	
	JL had cleared all his action points.	
	All other action points were to be carried forward as these had not been cleared or the person responsible for them was not present. These are:	

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	RM to source price for new village notice board.	RM
	Provide JL with details of free IT equipment for Parish Councils	MH
	Look in to info on Zero Waste Places Initiatives	BW
6	Cemetery	
	There had been no internments since the last meeting.	
	JL has contacted Linnell's Stonemasons and confirmed that they have removed Mr Abbadore's headstone from the cemetery. He has asked them to inform him when they will be returning it.	
7	Neighbourhood Watch	
	BW said that their had still been no volunteer to become the NW Co-ordinator. He is still trying to persuade someone to take on the role but has had no success at present.	
	JL informed the meeting that 3 drain covers had been taken from just outside the village on the road to the airfield. The day it happened there was a transit type pick up in the village asking for any scrap metal and the assumption was they had taken them. It was agreed to ask householders to keep an eye out and if possible take down registration numbers of anyone collecting scrap metal in case it happened again. Police and Highways have been informed.	
	FC said there was currently a parcel scam in the area where a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service) put a card through your door stating they could not deliver a parcel and asking you to call a premium rate number for details. This is a scam and the call will cost you £15. It was agreed to let people know about this.	
8	Planning	
	No planning applications had been received.	
	It is believed that the planning application for the Dovecote has gone to appeal but this has not been confirmed.	
	A discussion was had on any further developments on the Tyre Re-cycling Application at Lenton. No further information was available. Lincolnshire County Council will decide the application and SKCD should be asked for comments. AW	

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	said she had seen the application and it was very vague.	
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9	Highways	
	BW has spoken to Highways about the pothole outside Jasmine Cottage. This was filled in as an emergency but when we had the rain last week it was washed out again. BW said they are going to investigate further but due to the new contract that is now in place, this may take 3 weeks to sort out. BW had a meeting with Highways and pointed out some other problems i.e. outside Monks Cottage and a drain near Temple Farm, which was overflowing when it rained, and another at the top of Aveland Way. Highways have promised to investigate.	
10	Finance	
	JL said we had received a bill of £210.00 from L Fisher for work at the Cemetery. It was agreed that this should be paid. JL will send a cheque off to pay this.	JL
11	Correspondence	
	JL passed around the list of correspondence that had been received since the last meeting.	
	Only 2 items required action. One was a questionnaire from a consultancy working for SKDC asking questions on "Open Space & Recreation" facilities in the Parish and the other was from East Midlands Regional Assembly asking for comments on their strategic plan. JL agreed to deal with both of these.	JL
12	SKDC Update	
	AW gave an update on the bus pass take up. The first quarter's figures showed that in SKDC there had been a 33% higher take up than estimated. In Lincolnshire as a whole there had been 42% above estimates. Even though the actual figures were higher than estimated the Council had budgeted sufficiently for this.	
	JL asked a question about Call Connect as a few people had asked how to get information on this. BH said people needed to register by calling Lincs County Council. The service offered a bus service where a regular service is not available and has proved to be very successful. A few people in the village are already using the service.	
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13	A.O.B. BW apologised for not ordering the annual 2 nd skip and said he would sort this out. The date decided for the skip is 08/11/2008. JL will produce some slips to be delivered to residents informing them of this.	JL
	JL said that he was going to do a list of regular Agenda items so that we did not miss them in future. A discussion was had on what these were and JL will now provide a list.	JL
	BW stated we needed to agree and pay clerks salary at the next meeting, as this was now overdue. JL to include as Agenda item for next meeting.	JL
14	Date of next meeting Monday 12 th January 2009 – 8 pm Village Hall	
	Meeting closed at 8.45pm	

Following the closure of the meeting a lengthy discussion was had around the conduct of committee members at Parish council meetings. It was agreed that further advice and information needed to be obtained and then a decision would be made as to what course of action should be taken if incidents of misconduct occurred.