Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 15th February 2016

Present: Parish Councillors Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH) Cllr Peter Morris (PM1) Cllr John Pickard (JP) Cllr Rachel Stevenson (RS) Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD) District Councillors County Councillors James Leach – Clerk (JL)

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1	Apologises – Cllr Francis Cartwright (FC), Peter Moseley (PM2)	
	Absent - Martin Hill (MH)- no apologies received.	
2	The Chairman welcomed all present	
3	One members of the public was present. BW asked if they would like to speak. They asked what was being done in respect of the Laurel hedge on the public footpath on Kirkby Underwood Road and also the one at West Cottage on Aveland Way as both were intruding on to the pathway meaning anyone using the foorpath had to walk on the grass. BW said that both these properties had been reported to Highways and were being investigated. The member of the public then asked about the excessive amount of dog waste being left on various areas of the village. BW said he knew of one person doing this but had to be caught in the act before action could be taken. JL said he would report this to LCC. The member of the public then asked what was being done about the pot holes on the road up to Low Park Farm and outside the Chapel. BW and JL both said theses had been reported to Highways. BW also said that the member of the public could also	JL
	report issues by the LCC Website and advised them to do this.	
4	Declarations of Interest – BW, RS & JP declared an interest in a planning application to remove some trees – see Planning.	
5	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by BH and seconded by RS.	
6	Matters Arising	
	None	
7	Planning A Planning Application had been received from Mrs Gillian Stevenson for the removal of a number of Conifers and Silver Birch Trees at Verandah Cottages which were overgrown. BW, RS and JP declared an interest and left the meeting at this point. MD took Chair of the meeting and the remaining PC members discussed the application. No objections were raised	
8	Cemetery	
	Nothing to report	
9	Neighbourhood Watch	
	No incidents had been reported. However, there had been some	

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	instances of further Hare Coursers in the village vicinity recently and the Police were aware.	
10	Highways	
	JL reported that the damaged road sign on the A15 had been reported to Highways but no replacement had been erected yet. BW reported that he had a meeting with Highways today to discuss the outstanding pot holes and the overhanging hedges discussed earlier.	
	JL said he had received communication from LCC with regards reduced Street Lighting to help save the Council money and improve their Carbon Footprint. These were currently just proposals and further communication would be forthcoming at a later date once a decision had been made.	
	BW said the light outside the Chapel was not working and he will report this to Highways.	BW
	JL stated he had informed BDG that the PC were happy for them to continue to cut the village grass for the next financial year. JL will call and ask when the first cut is likely to be made. PM1 asked JL if he knew the amount we would be paid this year for Grass Cutting but JL said this information had not been forthcoming yet.	JL
11	Finance	
	No payments had been made since the last meeting but a number of Invoices had been received.	
	Water Rates, totalling £32.04. These had already been paid by JL and were to be refunded with his wages.	
	Clerks Wages - £600.00	
	Inland Revenue - £120.00	
	LALC subscription - £119.00	
	Village Hall Hire - £120.00	
	Leach Property Services, Footpath No 4 - £90.00	
	All above were agreed and will be paid on 31/03/2016.	
	The accounts forms had been received and were passed to JP. JL will forward the bank balances and accounts spreadsheet to JP in time for the AGM and APM next month. Jp to do summary of accounts.	JL JP
	A VAT refund had been received of £203.89	

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	The rates Bill had been received this was for £0.00	
	JL had sent off the invoices for payment for the Amenity Grass cutting and maintenance of Footpath No 4 for last year. He had received an email to say they had been received but nothing to say they had been paid yet.	
	It was agreed to Transfer £1500 from the Savings Account to the Cheque account in order to cover the Invoices received. JL will do this.	JL
	MD said he had had a couple of residents complain about the increase in the Precept so he had explained the reasoning for this to them.	
12	Correspondence	
	All correspondence received had been dealt with in previous sections except for a letter from the Royal Mint asking if the PC wanted t buy any commemorative coins to celebrate the Queens 90 th Birthday. An example of the coin was passed round but as the minimum order was 50 the PC decided that they would not purchase any.	
13	SKDC Update/Neighbourhood Plan	
	No one from SKDC had attended the meeting so no update was available	
	PM1 gave a brief update on the Neighbourhood Plan. A meeting had been held to try and determine the geographical areas to be covered. After some delay Pointon had now agreed to join the Parishes of Aslackby & Laughton, Rippingale, Dunsby, Pointon and Sempringham. He handed out a leaflet with a brief outline as to progress so far. Copies of this were given to BW who will hand them out to local households.	BW
	PM1 said there was still a long way to go and will continue to feedback at future meetings, He did express that any one from the local area could get involved and it did not have to be someone on the PC. It was re-iterated that more information can be obtained from www,locality.org.uk.	
	He emphasised that it will bew a good thing to get involved with as it will help shape the future of our Parish for the next 10 years.	
	BM thanked PM1 for his update.	
14	Lincolnshire County Council Update	
	No one from LCC had attended the meeting so no update was available.	
15	A.O.B	
	BW said he will order the skip for the 23 rd April. JL will print off the	

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	relevant slips and pass them to BW to hand out.	JL
16	Date of next meeting Monday 16 th May 2016 –7.00 pm at the Village Hall. This is the APM followed by the APM Meeting closed at 09.05pm.	