

Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 29th November 2010

Present:

Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)	Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD),
Cllr John Pickard (JP)	Cllr Frances Cartwright (FC)	
Cllr Martin Hill (MH)		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
Press James Leach	None	

Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologises –District Cllr Andrea Webster (AW), Cllr John Smith (JS), Cllr Andrew Dodds (AD)	
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 FC and seconded by BH.	
6	Matters Arising There were no matters arising from the last meeting.	
7	Planning One planning application had been received from SKDC to fell 2 diseased trees on the village green. The top of one of these trees had already snapped off. No objections were raised.	
8	Cemetery JL said he had not been contacted re a date for the erection of a Headstone for Adam Connolly's plot. Due to the adverse weather it is unlikely that this will be done this year. One person had complained to BW about a car parking on the grass at the entrance to the cemetery. JP said he would have a word with his staff to prevent it happening again. JL said that to date we had had no income from the cemetery this year so far. This will obviously have an impact on the parish funds for next year.	JP
9	Neighbourhood Watch Nothing had been reported since the last meeting.	

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10	<p>Highways</p> <p>BW has been made aware that Highways have been in contact with a number of residents on Kirkby Underwood Road with regards getting the hedges and verges cut back as they were encroaching on to the main Highway.</p> <p>BH asked that a letter be sent to Mr Glassford of Kirkby Underwood Road, thanking him for his sterling work in gritting the road after the first down fall of snow. JL said he would do this.</p> <p>JL gave an update on the grass cutting contracts. He had contacted all the newspapers asking for a price on placing an advert but had received no replies as yet. He will chaise this up.</p> <p>Since the last meeting he had been contacted by Lincolnshire Highways Dept. to say that they were looking at cutting back the budget for grass cutting. A decision will be made towards the end of the year as to how much would be cut back but it looked like being a third. This will obviously have an impact on what money would be available should we take on our own grass cutting contract. As a result JL had not yet placed any adverts as he wanted a decision from the PC as to whether we will still be going ahead to cut our own grass. The PC voted that we should still take on the contract. As a result JL will put a draft advert and contract together.</p> <p>It was also decided that the advert should be placed in the Parish Magazine and on the village website.</p>	<p>JL</p> <p>JL</p> <p>JL</p>
10	<p>Finance</p> <p>JL had received the precept forms for next year. It was decided that this will be put as an agenda item for January's meeting.</p>	<p>JL</p>
11	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>JL passed round a list of correspondence. JL had received a flooding questionnaire which he had passed on to BW to complete.</p>	
12	<p>SKDC Update</p> <p>No update</p>	
13	<p>Lincs CC Update</p> <p>MH gave an update on Lincs CC. As expected most of the time had been taken up with looking at cut backs in order to save money. A third of the senior manager will be leaving</p>	

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	<p>next Thursday. Further staff savings of £1500 will be made over the next 4 years. All areas of the Councils work are being looked at and some very hard decisions will have to be made. Some areas will be protected but all areas of Council Work will have to look at saving money.</p>	
14	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>JL gave details about a meeting that would be taking place in the Church on Thursday about home insulation. However due to the adverse weather forecast, this may be cancelled until the New Year.</p> <p>MD said he had used some grit from the grit bin at the top of Temple Road only to find that someone has been using it for depositing dog waste. Residents are reminded that this should not be done as there are numerous bins around the village where dog waste can be deposited.</p>	
14	<p>Date of next meeting Monday 10th January 2011 – 8.00 pm Village Hall Meeting closed at 09.05pm.</p>	