## Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

## Minutes from meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011

## Present:

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

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1	Apologises – District Cllr Andrea Webster (AW)	
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 AD	
	and seconded by JP.	
6	Matters Arising	
	All Action Points from the last meeting have been cleared. Any matters arising from these, will be discussed in the appropriate section below.	
7	Planning	
	One planning application had been received for an extension at Averley, Kirkby Underwood Rd. There were no objections and notification had already been sent to SKDC following an email that had been sent to all Councillors.	
8	Cemetery	
	The new village notice board had been made and was currently in The Clerks garage awaiting erection. BW thanked JP for the new board. The clerk and BW will try and find time to erect the board over the Easter weekend and then put the old notice board in the Cemetery together with the notices agreed at the last meeting.	JL, BW
	Income of £104.00 had been received for the erection of one headstone on the grave of Mr A Connolly.	
	JL said he had tried to reply to the lady who had complained about the state of the Cemetery bins but the e-mail kept bouncing back. He will check the state of the bins before the next meeting and get them emptied if required.	JL
9	Neighbourhood Watch	
	BH stated that a suspicious vehicle had been reported by a member of the public but nothing further had been reported.	
10	Highways	
	Brittens have started the new grass cutting contract and had done an excellent job. Various comments had been received to say what	

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	a good job they had done. JL had received a copy of their insurance and will send a copy of this to Highways.	JL
	The broken street lights had been repaired but unfortunately the one near the bus stop seemed to have stopped working again so BW will re-report this to Highways.	BW
	AD said the pot hole in Graby had not been fixed so he had filled it in himself. The missing man hole cover was still missing. BW had spoken to Highways who said that it was the responsibility of Anglian Water. JL will call them to report it.	JL
	The hedge by the Ford had been cut by the farmer after the last meeting.	
	An invoice had been sent to Highways for the maintenance of Public footpath No4 and payment had been received and banked.	
	A complaint had been received about the hedge outside a house at the top of Temple Road as people now had to walk on the road as they could not get on to the footpath. JL said he will put a note through the owner's door and ask them to cut the hedge back. The owner was M Paul Searson.	JL
	A large pot hole had appeared on the road towards the airfield. BW will report this to Highways.	BW
	The verge outside Council House No 6 had been reported to SKDC as had the exposed water meter to the Water Board. Someone had cut away the verge and dumped the soil along the verge. No feedback had been received from either SKDC or Anglian Water.	
10	Finance	
	JL had received notification that the precept had been paid.	
	A bill had been received for the use of the Village Hall - $\pounds120.00$	
	A bill for the rates for the Cemetery had been received - $\pm 0.19$	
	A bill had been received for the Insurance renewal - £170.10	
	An invoice for £90.00 had been received from LPS for the maintenance of footpath No 4 as agreed at a previous meeting last year.	
	All the above were agreed and JL will send payments.	JL
	A letter had been received from HMRC to say that as from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2011 Clerks wages were subject to PAYE. This means that the PC is required to register with HMRC and fill in Tax returns. Some discussion was had around the implications of this. JL said he had received an email from a company called Ladywell who are offering to do all the necessary paperwork for the sum of £25.00.	

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	All agreed that we should approach this company and let them do the work. JL will call them to get further information and ask them to carry out this for us.	JL
	The Clerk asked if it was possible to have a pay rise as the Clerks wages had not risen for the last 7 years. He said he had worked out the hours he had worked for the PC over the last couple of years and this equated to £4.08 an hour which was less than minimum wage. All agreed that the Clerk should at least receive minimum wage however JS proposed before any new agreement was made that an evaluation of the Clerks role should be done as it may appear that he should get more than minimum wage. JS and JP agreed to carry out this evaluation. JL will send them a list of his current roles etc. so that they could make a start on this work.	JS, JP JL
11	Correspondence	
	JL passed round a list of correspondence. Most items had been covered already. JL had received a notification from a company who specialised in CCTV. JL is to contact these for further information. JS had contacted SKDC and depending on the type of CCTV we decided to go for there may be a requirement to apply for planning permission. JL will get further information and feed back at the next meeting so a decision could be made.	JL
	All other correspondence had been dealt with.	
12	SKDC Update Not a lot to report as everyone was busy getting ready for the forthcoming elections. Grantham Festival had been a great success and there had been a lot of positive feedback.	
13	Lincs County Council Update	
	MH gave a brief update on the position at LCC.	
	Lincs CC have now taken over the Tourism Website. Apart from that there was still a lot of work to do to look at the savings required over the next few years.	
	BH asked if MH had any further information on the proposal that the 999 service be privatised. MH said he did not and referred BH to his local MP or the Police Authority.	
14	A.O.B.	
	JS had finished the next PC Newsletter and will be posting this to everyone within the next week or so.	
	The Skip has been ordered for 30/04/2011. JL will print off slips and give them to BW for delivering. It was agreed in principal to pay for the Hire Charge and a blank cheque was signed in readiness for the bill.	JL
	The PC elections will take place on 05 <sup>th</sup> May 2011 at the same	

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	time as District elections. As only 8 people had put their names forward there would be no actual need for a PC election as all 8 will automatically be accepted for office. A list of the successful applicants had been received and these will be notified by SKDC in due course. JL had contacted Electoral Services to make sure we were able to hold a PC meeting so close to an election and had been informed that this was OK.	
	BW took this opportunity to thank AD for all his work and assistance in his time as a PC. This was echoed by all present.	
	The AGM will take place on 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2011and not 09 <sup>th</sup> as previously documented.	
15	Date of next meeting AGM and APM, Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2011 – 7.00 pm Village Hall Meeting closed at 09.15pm.	