

Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 9th January 2017

Present:

Parish Councillors		
Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr John Pickard (JP)	Cllr Frances Cartwright (FC)
Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD)	Cllr Rachel Stevenson (RS)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)
Cllr Peter Morris (PM1)		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
District Councillors	County Councillors	
	Martin Hill (MH) – arrived later	
Press		
James Leach		

Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologises – None. Absent - Peter Moseley (PM2),	
2	The Chairman welcomed all present and wished everyone a Happy New Year	
3	No members of the Public were present	
4	Declarations of Interest – None	
5	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by MD and seconded by JP.	
6	Matters Arising BW questioned re decision on Precept Increase which was explained. No objections. Any other issues will be dealt with in relevant sections below.	
7	Planning JL said 1 application had been received for from Mr Parrott, 1 The Dovecote. This was a retrospective application for a tool shed etc. at the back of the garage. No objections were raised. The application from Mr and Mrs Aspinall had been accepted.	
8	Cemetery Nothing to report. Cemetery Fees will be discussed at the next meeting to give BW time to prepare.	
9	Neighbourhood Watch Nothing to report.	
10	Highways Some of the pot holes reported at the last meeting had now been filled in. JL said he had reported the uneven road near Graby Ford and this work was now in the queue. The road sign at the bottom of Kirkby Underwood Road had been broken. BW will report this to Highways. JL asked if he should email Brittain's and confirm we would like them to cut the village grass again this year to which there was a unanimous agreement.	JL

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	<p>BW raised the issue of the uneven road leading up to the Elms and the Vicarage. This was a job that was still outstanding since last year. BW had tried to get hold of the relevant person at Highways but without success. This issue was raised with MH who will broach the subject with Highways before the current person in charge retires. If nothing is done soon it was agreed that the PC would send a letter to Highways.</p> <p>BW also raised the issue of the overhanging hedge for the empty rented property between the Manor and West Cottage as you can now not walk on the path due to its overhang. BW will contact Lindum Estates who own the property.</p> <p>JP raised the issue with the two benches that had been provided by the PC, stating that once the weather improved the PC should put some protective stain on them. This was agreed.</p> <p>BW said he will clear the drains going out towards the airfield as due to the large lorries going up the road recently they had been blocked and water was now running down the main road. MD said he would help.</p> <p>PM1 mentioned that the main drains will need clearing soon as they looked like they were starting to back up recently. BW said to keep an eye on it and if necessary would report it.</p>	BW
11	<p>Finance</p> <p>JL said a payment of £85 had been received from Carltons Funeral Directors in respect of the Internment of Julie Green.</p> <p>JL said he had returned the Precept Forms with the agreed increase of £500 from last year. The amount claimed was therefore £3900 which was to help cover the cost of the grass cutting and to enable the PC to continue to provide the twice-yearly skips.</p> <p>JL will return the forms to SKDC before the deadline of 17th January 2017.</p> <p>JL said he had received a Water Rates bill for £6.43 which he had paid.</p>	
12	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>JL went through and nothing needed actioning.</p>	
13	<p>SKDC Update/Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>FC said that Grantham had had its bid to become one of the Garden Villages on the outskirts of Grantham accepted. 14 had been awarded out of 52 applications.</p> <p>There was currently a consultation on the 2017/18 Council Tax budget which means there may be a £5 increase to cover the shortfall from Central Government.</p> <p>Grantham had been accepted for a Pilot for new Starter Homes. These would be instead of new Council Houses but in partnership with a developer and would hopefully mean SKDC would see a small return for their investment. This was to help first time buyers get on the property ladder. This was also to do with the fact that Planning Rule 106 may be removed so meaning that developers no longer had to provide Affordable Housing on new developments.</p>	

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	<p>PM1 gave a brief update on the current state of play re the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>The issues raised at the last meeting re another Village not being happy with progress and possibly pulling out had now been resolved and they were now back on track. PM2 was now Chairing the committee and he had a Co-ordinator working with him who will oversee Admin etc.</p> <p>PM1 will update at the next meeting.</p>	
14	<p>Lincolnshire County Council Update</p> <p>MH gave a brief update but said there was not a lot happening at present. He mentioned the new bridge at Graby Ford. He also said that the Street Light review and wok had now been completed.</p>	
15	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>Defibrillator – had done a lot of work since the last meeting and handed out a pack containing all the relevant information. After looking through the information it was proposed by PM the PC should go down the “Managed Solution” Route, as this in the long term would mean minimal outgoings and would cover all insurance etc. This was seconded by MD and the rest of the PC.</p> <p>JP will now approach the benefactor re the cost of covering the initial out lay and JP said SL Engineering will make a donation and cover the cost of installation. If there was a shortfall FC said she would contribute also. It was agreed that providing initial costs could be covered the JP could go ahead and order the Defibrillator. Proposed by MD and seconded by PM1</p> <p>JL suggested that the PC could possibly ask parishioners if they wanted to contribute to the running costs but it was decided to wait until the next meeting once we knew if there was any shortfall before a decision was made on this. Training will also be looked in to at the next meeting.</p> <p>Leaflets will be produced and then handed out to all households to give information and request volunteers to be trained. JP and PM agreed they could print these off. BW said that the Village Hall could be used for the training and said he was confident this would be provided free of charge.</p> <p>MD asked that it be minuted that the PC wished to thank JP for all the hard work he had put in with regards the Defibrillator.</p>	JP
16	<p>Date of next meeting Monday 27th February 2017 – 8.00 pm at the Village Hall.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 09.40pm.</p>	