Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 08th January 2018

Present:		
Parish Councillors		
Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW)	Cllr Rachel Stevenson (RS)	Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH)
Cllr Peter Morris (PM1)		
		James Leach – Clerk (JL)
District Councillors	County Councillors	
Dist Cllr Peter Moseley	County Cllr Martin Hill	
(PM2)	(MH)	
Press		
James Leach		

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1	Apologises – Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD), Cllr John Pickard (JP),	
	Cllr Frances Cartwright (FC)	
2	The Chairman welcomed all present.	
3	One member of the public was present – (Mr M Hill). BW asked Mr	
	Hill if he had anything he wished to say, to which he replied "no	
	comment". He said he enjoyed it so much last time he thought he	
	would come again	
4	Declarations of Interest – Rs & BW, re Planning Application	
5	Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by BH	
	and seconded by RS.	
6	Matters Arising	
	None.	
7	Planning	
	JL said he had received 3 Planning Applications, all of which had	
	been actioned and comments sent to SKDC. One from Miss R	
	Stevenson, no objections, one from Mr C Green, no objections and	
	Mr M hill, a Permitted Development Order. Comments had been	
	sent back to SKDC to confirm that the area min question had been	
	used as a garden for in excess of the last 10 years.	
	Mr Hill explained he had originally spoken to SKDC re this but had	
	been advised to go for full planning as the timescales for permitted	
	development were not met. This has since been proved incorrect	
	which is why he has now put in the application. Mr Hill said he	
	expected a decision within the next 3-4 weeks.	
8	Cemetery	
	One internment will be held this week for Mr Ayliffe. A cheque had	
	been received iro of this and a further one will be forthcoming re	
	headstone inscription. BW asked JL if a note had been sent to staff	
	at the factory to keep the Cemetery entrance clear to which JL said	
	it had. He said he will check first thing Wednesday morning and	
	get any cars moved that are in the way.	
	JL also stated he had requested that factory staff did not park on	
	the grass at the Cemetery entrance and will keep an eye on the	

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	situation.	
9	Neighbourhood Watch	
	Nothing to report.	
10	Highways	
	JL had spoken to the Highways at LCC and had been assured that the potholes on Temple Road near the factory would be fixed by 21/01/2018. He said if they weren't he would get back on to Highways.	
	He said he was not aware if Highways would fix all the potholes in Aslackby at the same time or just the ones on Temple Road.	
	He would ask Highways once they were on site and if not he would find out when they remaining potholes would be fixed. Comments were made about the number of pot holes on the road from the village up to Low Park and Temple Woods, some of which were extremely large. BW asked MH why each individual pot hole had to be reported individually and not all in one go. MH responded and the main reason was that potholes appeared all the time and new ones may have appeared between the report being raised an them being fixed and as such the workmen would not know which to fix. He did however accept that it would be a good idea if all pot holes were fixed in the village at the same time.	
	JL informed MH that there had been a number of cars damaged due to the pot holes and one person had broken their leg as a result of falling down one and as such he had advised them to claim compensation from LCC Highways. MH said they should put their claim in writing to LCC highways, Newlands house, Lincoln.	
	PM1 asked how successful the new cold tar had been on fixing pot holes. MH said it had not been as successful as they had hoped and as such would now be returning to a lorry with a burner so they could heat the tar and make it last longer.	
	A broken street light (SKFC No 4} outside the factory has been reported, ref:- 1166032. BW said that Street Lamp No 7 was also not working JL said he will report this.	JL
	BH asked PM2 if he could gain access to the data base which gave details of which Street Lights were being turned off etc. PM2 said he would email this to the Clerk and he can then forward it on to BH.	PM2, JL
	JL said he had also requested that the 30MPH sign just outside the factory gates should be moved to nearer the junction with the A15, as there had been a few incidents recently where cars wer speed past the factory entrance. Ref:- 101000248117	

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	JL said he had received a revised schedule for grass cutting (verges) from LCC. MH expanded and said that the first cut should be completed by the end of May and the second cut wil commence after the harvest in June.	
11	Finance	
	JL said a decision was needed on the amount the Precept should be increased by. After some discussion, it was agreed that it should be raised by £100. JL will send the forms in to SKDC. PM1 asked if it should be increased more to help pay for the skips and the grass cutting. It was agreed it should not as the PC had over £10,000 in the Savings account.	JL
	BW said that BDG Mowing will do the grass maintenance again this year and JL had already informed them as they will do it for the same amount as last year.	
	PM2 said that due to the cost the PC could ask LCC to take back responsibility for the grass cutting; however BH said residents would prefer to pay an increase in their Council Tax rather then let the Council do it as BDG made such a good job.	
	JL has received a Water Rates bill for £13.32. He has already paid this.	
12	Correspondence	
	JL went through correspondence received. All had been dealt with in previous sections.	
13	SKDC Update/Neighbourhood Plan	
	PM2 gave a brief update:	
	The Big Clean will continue and if people had things they wished to be done they can report these on the SKDC website. Aslackby should get another Team in later this year.	
	SKDC are planning to fund a "Best Kept Village" competition and will pay the entrance fee for any villages wishing to enter.	
	The new cinema in Grantham was well under way.	
	Council Tax and Social housing Strategy were currently out for consultation.	
	Some talks have been held around support for Rural Businesses but these were in ther early stages so no details available at present.	
	BH asked if M7S were still coming to Bourne, PM2 said "yes" and also possibly W H Smith. JL said M& S had advertised for staff which would suggest things were going ahead.	

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	Planning had been put forward for land on Wherry's Lane.	
	Possibility of planning application to come for land off Hazelwood Drive.	
14	Lincolnshire County Council Update	
	The second stage of the Grantham Bypass had been given the go ahead and will start shortly, subject to any objections.	
	The Fair Funding Campaign was still on going. If it goes ahead it could be worth up to £100 million to LCC. The reason for the campaign is that householders pay more Council Tax than some London Boroughs but only receive half the funding. It will go out to Consultation but not until 2020.	
	Social Care is still a major concern and also now support etc. for Disabled Children which both have a huge drain on funding. Both will need to be monitored closely.	
	South Fen Road in Bourne has been voted the worst road in Britain. LCC are looking at what can be done but due to the nature of the road and the land on which it is laid it will never be flat. One consideration is to lower the speed limit.	
	LCC have received extra money from the Government in order to aid the repair of pot holes.	
	Salt stock remained sufficient and had plenty in reserve. One week recently they use 1000 tonnes.	
	The NHS issues in Grantham had still not been resolved but were working closely with the NHS to remedy the issues.	
15	A.O.B	
	None	
	BW said the next meeting will be on 19 th February 2018, 09 th April 2018 and 24 th May 2017 which will be the AGM. There is no meeting in March. JL said he will issue the minutes etc. for the April meeting early as he will be away for most of March.	
16	Date of next meeting Monday 08 th January 2018 – 8.00 pm at the Village Hall. Meeting closed at 08.50	