

Aslackby Parish Council Meetings

Minutes from meeting held on 1st December 2008

Present:

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| Cllr Rick Miller (RM) | Cllr Brynley Heaven (BH) | Cllr Frances Cartwright (FC) |
| Cllr Andrew Dodds (AD) | Cllr Malcolm Dodds (MD) | |
| | | James Leach – Clerk (JL) |
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| Press James Leach | | |
| No members of the public present. | | |

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| 1 | Apologises – Cllr Brian Wilkinson (BW), Cllr John Pickard (JP), District Cllr Andrea Webster (AW) | |
| 2 | RM welcomed all present. | |
| 3 | Declarations of Interest – None | |
| 4 | Minutes of the Last Meeting – agreed and signed. Proposed by BH and seconded by MD. | |
| 5 | <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>No updates were available on the action points for BW, MH and AW as both were not present. These will therefore be carried forward to the next meeting.</p> <p>RM said he had looked into getting a replacement notice board but had felt the costs were extortionate. He proposed to re-evaluate this and look again early in the new year.</p> <p>JL had cleared all his action points.</p> | |
| 6 | <p>Cemetery</p> <p>There had been no internments since the last meeting.</p> <p>JL said that Mr Abbadore’s headstone had now been replaced and payment had been received for the work carried out.</p> <p>JL said that he had turfed Mike Wicken's grave at the request of his widow. This work was now complete.</p> | |

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| 7 | <p>Neighbourhood Watch</p> <p>There had still been no volunteer to become the NW Co-ordinator.</p> <p>AD said that a drain cover had been taken from Graby. JL said that he would inform Highways and update the Crime list.</p> <p>FC said Harry had been taken in by a couple of gentlemen who had phoned him to say he had won a free carpet clean. She believed that this may be a scam as they had informed the men it was only a rug but 2 men still turned up. FC believed that one would have cleaned the rug whilst the other rifled the house. Luckily Harry had not let them in and they left.</p> | JL |
| 8 | <p>Planning</p> <p>Talisman Investments had asked for agreement to fell 3 trees in Temple Farm. It was agreed that they could go ahead with this work. JL said he would call them and give them the go ahead.</p> <p>Mr O'Shea at Low Park Farm had lodged a panning application, but nothing official had been forwarded to the PC yet. JL said he would keep an eye on developments and report back to the next meeting.</p> | JL JL |
| 9 | <p>Highways</p> <p>MD asked if the drain had been sorted outside Monks Cottage. JL said he would find out in time for the next meeting.</p> <p>RM said there had been a problem with water coming down Temple Road. FC said she had spoken to Chris Maws at SKDC about this. He had been out and found that the culvert was blocked. He also said that at a previous meeting the PC had agreed to keep an eye on possible blockages and clear them to prevent this happening. The PC were reminded that we should fulfil our part of the agreement where flood defences were concerned if we wanted to receive further help from Chris.</p> <p>AD said that work had been done on Graby ford, whereby 2 men had spent 2 days putting a lot of hardcore on the banks to try and strengthen them. Unfortunately this had all been washed out again once heavy rain had come.</p> | JL |

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| 10 | <p data-bbox="352 271 464 300">Finance</p> <p data-bbox="352 344 1222 450">JL said we had received a bill of £230.00 from L Fisher for work at the Cemetery. It was agreed that this should be paid. JL will send a cheque off to pay this.</p> <p data-bbox="352 495 1222 674">JL said that it was agreed at the last meeting that the Clerks wages were overdue. It was therefore agreed to pay these. £375.00 wages and £77.97 expenses for stationary etc. Total to be paid £452.77. These were up to 30/09/2008 for wages and 31/11/2008 for expenses. JL would arrange to pay these.</p> <p data-bbox="352 719 1222 853">JL said that there were insufficient funds in the account to pay the above 2 items so it was agreed to transfer £1000.00 from the savings account to the cheque account. JL would arrange this.</p> <p data-bbox="352 898 1222 1003">An invoice had been received form LALC but was not due for payment until March 2009. This will be carried forward until then.</p> <p data-bbox="352 1048 1222 1182">JL said he had received the Precept form for next year. He said he would pass this on to BW and send it off. It was agreed to increase the precept for next year by £200 as we had done ourselves out of £100.00 last year.</p> | <p data-bbox="1294 383 1334 412">JL</p> <p data-bbox="1294 640 1334 669">JL</p> <p data-bbox="1294 786 1334 815">JL</p> <p data-bbox="1294 1077 1334 1106">JL</p> |
| 11 | <p data-bbox="352 1193 587 1223">Correspondence</p> <p data-bbox="352 1267 1190 1335">JL passed around the list of correspondence that had been received since the last meeting.</p> <p data-bbox="352 1379 1206 1559">Only 2 items required action. One was a questionnaire from LALC on difficulties on getting councillors in post. The form was completed and JL will post it off. The second was a questionnaire form Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue. JL said he would complete this and send it off.</p> | <p data-bbox="1294 1447 1334 1476">JL</p> |
| 12 | <p data-bbox="352 1597 555 1626">SKDC Update</p> <p data-bbox="352 1671 1198 1805">FC said there was little to report. The only real thing of note was that the BNP had got in at Boston. The candidate was the same person who tried to be elected in Bourne but was unsuccessful.</p> <p data-bbox="352 1850 1126 1917">The only other thing of note was that the council had a budget deficit, which they are trying to sort out.</p> | |

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| 13 | <p>A.O.B.</p> <p>RM said he had received a complaint about the number of rats in the river Ave and the fact that they were going in to people's gardens. Some discussion was had as to whose responsibility it was to deal with this. The council no longer deal with this so it was suggested that Environmental Health should be contacted. JL said he would do this.</p> <p>FC said that LALC were reviewing the PC Standing Orders. Members of the PC said they could not recollect seeing these so JL said he would obtain a copy form LALC.</p> <p>MD asked what was happening with the bus shelter and asked if we should look into buying a new one. The consensus of opinion was that we should still look at repairing the current one. It was decided that if BW was unable to do this work we should look in to paying a contractor to do the work.</p> | <p>JL</p> <p>JL</p> |
| 14 | <p>Date of next meeting Monday 12th January 2009 – 8 pm Village Hall</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.45pm</p> | |