

HECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Heckington Parish Council held in Heckington Village Hall, High Street, Heckington on Monday 28th March 2022 commencing at 1930hrs

Attendance:

Chairman - P/Cllr Mrs J Palmer

Parish Councillors – Mr T Atkinson, Mrs M Cooke, Mr A Garlick, Mr R Higgs, Mr R Kemmett, Mrs S Tucker, Mr M West, Mr R Woods

County Councillor – Mr A Key

District Councillors – Mrs S Tarry

Minute Taker – Clerk, Ms J Hudson

Police Representative – None present

Press Representative – None present

Members of the Public – 4

1. Chairman's welcome and opening remarks

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and went through Health & Safety, fire procedures etc

1.2 She reported that Godson Avenue had at last been resurfaced.

1.3 She gave an update on the burglary at the allotments.

2. To receive apologies for absence

2.1 Apologies had been received from P/Councillor Mr M Jones and D/Councillor Mr S Ogden.

3. To receive a declaration of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011

3.1 None Received

4. To consider any requests for dispensation received at or before the start of the meeting

4.1 None received

5. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 28th February 2022

5.i Minutes to be approved and signed

5.i.1 Proposed by P/Cllr Mr R Woods, seconded by P/Cllr Mr M West – voted by majority that the minutes be signed (MC abstained as did not attend Jan meeting.)

5.ii Matters arising

5.ii.1 None

6. Public Participation

6.1 A resident thanked the Parish Council for the pressure applied to getting Godson Avenue resurfaced.

6.2 A resident asked about possible weight restrictions for traffic on Church Street and the reasons that this could not be done were explained again.

6.3 The Allotment Chairman reported that the Association meeting had been fairly well attended, and that there was a further meeting scheduled for the 20th of April. He asked if new allotment tenants could be offered some contract time 'free of charge' in order to do initial housekeeping. The Clerk confirmed that this was already being done in some individual cases where necessary.

7. Financial Matters

i. to approve payments as listed separately

Account movement to 28 March since last Ratification (Feb 2022) at Agenda item 7.1

Date	Reference	Description	Debit	Credit
25-Feb-22	BACS	Donaldsons	71.09	
25-Feb-22	BACS	Crowders - stakes and ties for trees		60.18
01-Mar-22	PCash67	Other Income - library fines		70.00
02-Mar-22	Credit	Maintenance - Playing Fields gate repayment		20.00
07-Mar-22	BACS	Tree Works - emergency cemetery terra firma	295.00	
07-Mar-22	BACS	Tree Works - pavilion driveway/adj HCSP	900.00	
08-Mar-22	BACS	Hire of Rooms - village hall for feb meeting	20.00	
08-Mar-22	BACS	Legal Fees S&B charges Dec-to date	324.00	
10-Mar-22	DDebit	Pension Contributions	204.52	
10-Mar-22	DCardJP	Nilfisk Machine ABC drive belts	79.49	
11-Mar-22	DDebit	Bank Charges	7.00	
11-Mar-22	Credit	Cemetery Income		678.50
14-Mar-22	DDebit	Phone	95.23	
15-Mar-22	PCash70	Maintenance - Village - jubilee clips for SID	14.99	
15-Mar-22	BACS	Daitch Electrical - light	72.00	
15-Mar-22	BACS	Daitch Electrical fire system update	684.00	
17-Mar-22	BACS	Maintenance - Village Unipart - SID service	319.87	
17-Mar-22	Transfer	Transfer to Lloyds - Instant Account	2,362.54	
17-Mar-22	Transfer	Transfer from Lloyds - Deposit Account		2,362.54
17-Mar-22	BACS	Maintenance - Village elan City - New SID	2,362.54	
17-Mar-22	BACS	Office Supplies - computer maint eclipse	20.00	
17-Mar-22	BCardJH	Haregreaves foundary gutter	66.65	
18-Mar-22	SOrder	Chairmans Allowance	60.00	
20-Mar-22	DDebit	Electricity - Cemetery	90.80	
20-Mar-22	DDebit	Electricity - Chambers	218.52	
21-Mar-22	Credit	Grass Cutting Income		135.00
22-Mar-22	DCardJH	Banan Print - ERB printed books	55.90	
23-Mar-22	Credit	Miscellaneous Jubilee Mug Order	40.00	
28-Mar-22	BACS	Office Supplies - ESPO	222.36	
28-Mar-22	BACS	Maintenance - Village - LCC Post for SID	200.00	
30-Mar-22	SOrder	NIC and PAYE	1,569.24	
31-Mar-22	BACS	Maintenance - Village IPP Ltd - Black bags	230.40	

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Balances Mar-22

1 Lloyds - Instant Account	12,887.47
2 Lloyds - Deposit Account	169,331.49
3 Petty Cash Account	122.04
Total	182,341.00

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Initials :

- 7.ii. To approve renewal of vehicle insurance policy through Cam & Company Brokers (£1,222.50 for 2022/2023 up from £1,111.70)
- 7.ii.1 Proposed by P/Cllr Mrs Jan Palmer, seconded by P/Cllr Mr R Kemmett
- 7.ii.2 Vote results – unanimous
- 7.ii.3 Resolved – to accept renewal quote as above.**
- 7.iii. To discuss renewal details of website maintenance service
- 7.iii.1 The new contract offered via LALC for current maintenance was discussed and it was agreed that 10 hrs per year was likely sufficient with the option of purchasing additional bundles of 5 hours.
- 7.iii.2 P/Cllr Mr A Garlick offered to look into learning how to use the website, and it was suggested that Helpringham Parish Council might assist.
- 7.iii.3 Proposed by P/Cllr Mr R Higgs, seconded by P/Cllr Mr T Atkinson
- 7.iii.4 Vote results – 8 x for 1 x against (ST) – majority wins
- 7.iii.5 **Resolved – to continue for 1 year with website maintenance via LALC as above.**
- 8. To receive a report from the Police**
- 8.1 No specific report submitted.
- 9. To receive a report from the County and District Councillors**
- 9.1 C/Cllr Mr A Key thanked the Parish Council Chairman for being a guest at the County Council event held at Lincoln Cathedral, and P/Cllr Mrs Jan Palmer thanked him for the invitation to do so.
- 9.2 He confirmed Godson Avenue had been resurfaced and reported that other repairs are currently suffering delays due to lack of materials.
- 9.3 D/Cllr Mrs S Tarry reported that from 4th April 2022, the lounge on Willow Close would be accepting bookings from non-residents.
- 9.4 She reported that the Full Council meeting held on 3rd March 2022 had formally adopted the NK Plan 2022-2025, which outlines their priorities for the next 3 years.

The County and District Cllrs left the meeting at 2007hrs

10. To receive a report from the Clerk

- 10.1 The Clerk updated the meeting with regards to participation of ‘No Mow May’. Two areas of PC grass (Godson Avenue and Mulberry Walk) had been identified as suitable to leave a small patch of grass unmown for the benefit of wildlife.
- 10.2 She confirmed that the name ‘Bembridge’ was the next name from the War Memorial to be submitted as the name for the new development off Burton Road.
- 10.3 She outlined 2 planning permissions which had been received since the issue of the agenda.
- 10.4 She confirmed that the invitation to apply to LCC for the annual library grant had been completed and returned.

11. To receive reports from Councillor’s relating to their affiliation to local organisations.

11.1 P/Cllr Mr A Garlick was thanked by the Chairman for his work on the new Speed Indicator Device which was now up and working on the entrance from Sleaford Road.

11.2 P/Cllr Mr M West confirmed he had attended the Allotment Association meeting as mentioned in Public Participation.

12. Planning Matters

12.1 Applications to be ratified

- i. 22/0166/HOUS – Erection of a timber summerhouse – 101-103 High Street, Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 9QU
- ii. 22/0337/TCA – T1 Willow – Pollard to approximately of 50% height (*sic*); T2 Tree of Heaven – remove lowest 2 branches over neighbours & lowest 2 branches over lawn – White Horse, 61 Church Street, Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire
- iii. 22/0351/TPO – T1 Beech – reduce crown 2.5m to suitable growth points – 3 Latimer Gardens, Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 9TD
- iv. 22/0380/TCA – G1 Alder – Reduce on southern boundary to previous points (12 meters (*sic*) down to 9) – Cobham House, 14 Eastgate, Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire
- i. 22/0330/HOUS – Proposed single storey extension and alterations – 10 New Street, Heckington, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 9JL
- ii. Lincolnshire

12.2 Applications approved

- i. 21/1904/HOUS – Proposed rear extension and internal alterations – 15 St Andrews Street, Heckington, Sleaford
- ii. 21/1600/HOUS – Erection of timber fencing, replacement of sash windows and guttering, creation of patio/decking area, paint west facing wall and replace/paint outbuilding shed doors – 30 St Andrews Street, Heckington, Sleaford

12.3 Applications rejected

- i. None received

12.4 Applications withdrawn

- i. None received

12.5 Prior notifications received (information only – no action required from HPC)

- i. None received

12.6 Planning appeals

- i. None received

13. To discuss CIL money and proposals to expand sporting facilities

13.1 P/Cllr Mr R Higgs reported that the application had been submitted to NKDC for the CIL money available to Heckington, which has previously been agreed to be spent on a long-term plan to rejuvenate the playing fields for the future. The DMT committee meeting had been cancelled and therefore there was no update for this meeting.

14. Deferred item from February meeting 15. To consider verbal request from Community Swimming Pool to defer loan repayment for a further year. (Currently £1,000 has repaid from a total loan of £4,000).

- 14.1 It was confirmed that the money had been due to be paid in September 2021 and that to date there had been no offer of part payment, supporting evidence had had to be chased and that no representative had come to any of the Parish Council meetings in person to present explanations.
- 14.2 It was therefore proposed by P/Cllr Mrs S Tucker, seconded by P/Cllr Mr A Garlick that no formal decision to accept delayed payment can be made and that the Clerk is to write to the Swimming Pool to explain that the request could not be granted for this reason.
- 14.3 Vote results –unanimous
- 14.4 **Resolved – Clerk to write and explain to Swimming Pool that formal permission to defer date of repayment due September 2021 could not be given on this occasion.**
- 15. To receive update on preparations for Jubilee Celebrations**
- 15.1 The Clerk reported that in order to close the High Street, LCC Highways had stated that additional safety measures and signage would be required, and that a professional street management company was required at likely a considerable additional cost.
- 15.2 It was suggested by P/Cllr Mr A Garlick that to minimise both cost and physical practicalities, that the event be concentrated on the Village Green and Church Street (which to close, has less requirements).
- 15.3 P/Cllr Mrs S Tucker was keen to continue with High Street closure however and would find out costs of hiring a professional street management company to present for consideration.
- 15.4 P/Cllr Mrs Jan Palmer updated the meeting with progress on the Afternoon Tea event, which was being well received.
- 15.5 The Clerk confirmed that stall requests had been received and that the number of commemorative mugs was in the process of being confirmed so that an order could be made.
- 16. To receive an update on the old play park area**
- 16.1 Required information not available at the time of meeting, so item deferred to the next meeting.
- 17. To confirm the next full Parish Council monthly meeting as Monday 25th April 2022**
- 17.1 The next meeting date was confirmed as above.
- 18. To resolve to go into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.**
- i. To receive update on village security matters.
- 18.1 Proposed by P/Cllr Mr A Garlick, seconded by P/Cllr Mr R Woods
- 18.2 Vote results – unanimous
- 18.3 Resolved – to go into closed session as above**
- Members of the Public left the meeting at 2028hrs*

- 18.i An explanation of the security situation was summarised for the benefit of P/Cllr Mrs M Cooke who had not been at the previous meeting, and an update given by P/Cllr Mrs J Palmer.
19. P/Cllr Mr R Higgs took the opportunity of closed session to offer additional information regarding the playing fields, cemetery and future proposals. A decision was neither presented, nor required.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 2055hrs

Signed by the Chairman **Date**