

AUBOURN AND HADDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 2nd December 2009 in Aubourn Enterprise Hall

116/25/09 POLICE AND PUBLIC TIME

PCSO Chris Boyle had sent apologies from the police and reported that there had been no crimes since the last meeting. Cllr. Mrs Howe provided the NKDC report to the meeting on matters including the start of the Connect 2 cycle/footpath project at Sleaford, the housing needs survey consultation, the funding NKDC has been awarded towards the cost of building 19 Council homes across the district. and the Christmas activities at the Hub. Cllr. Mrs Howe was thanked for her attendance and she left the meeting.

117/25/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies from County Councillor Mr R. Phillips.

118/25/09 PRESENT AT THE MEETING

Cllrs. Mrs. P. Woodman MBE (Chairman) Mr. M. Coulson, Mr. D. Knott, Mr G. Phillips, Cllr. Mrs N. Wetherill and the clerk.

119/25/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Mrs Wetherill declared a prejudicial interest at. Item 11 – Planning.-Sky Barn item only.

120/25/09 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

121/25/09 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute 114/24/09 item 2 – Noticeboard – Cllr. Knott reported that he had cleared the vegetation in front of the noticeboard at Haddington so that access was now improved.

122/25/09 CLOCK TOWER

Toilet Facilities – Cllr. Mrs Woodman reported that the plans for the proposed toilet facilities at Aubourn Clock Tower had been submitted for application and were at the stage of public consultation. The council acknowledged this but no discussion took place as the council is the applicant. The Council confirmed its decision to reserve £5,000 of its funding for this project.

123/25/09 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

1. Chapel Lane – the new playground signs have been installed and Lincs County Council have forwarded an invoice for 50% of the cost, to which the council had previously agreed.
2. Haddington Lane – the Council had concerns about the signage at the Old Haddington Lane junction near the flyover. One of the reflective bollards had been removed, it was felt that the signage to indicate the right turn to the A46 was not adequate and that the white lines needed refreshing. Visibility at the junction is poor. It was resolved that the clerk would contact Steve Welsh at LCC Highways to seek at site meeting to discuss these issues.
3. South Hykeham Road – the council agreed to contact the Highways Officer regarding the recent damage to the highways verge and send a copy letter to the farmer.
4. The Copse, Bridge Road – the Council resolved to contact Phillip Wynn at H& J Nevile to request some minor tidying up be done (always mindful of biodiversity) drawing attention to the broken fence lying within the copse.

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124/26/09 TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer's report had been circulated. The balance in hand was as follows:-

Community Account £2,030.78
Business Premium Account £12,013.42
Clock Maintenance Account £2,166.96
The Treasurers report was accepted.

125/26/09 PRECEPT

The Parish Council resolved to set the precept at £7,500 for 2010-11. This was a £1,500 decrease (17%) on last year's precept of £9,000. (The detailed budget is appended to these minutes)

126/26/09 CORRESPONDENCE

1. LCC – Gritting Routes – 2009-10
2. What's On in North Kesteven
3. NKDC – Text reporting of full litter bins
4. H & J Nevile – response relating to signage at public footpaths and estate land.
5. Community Lincs – Rural Links magazine

All items of correspondence would be circulated to councillors.

127/26/09 PLANNING

1. 09/0374 Aqua House, Lincoln Enterprise Park – change of use from offices to MOT testing centre.
Notification had been received from NKDC planning that this application had been granted.

2. 09/0693 Haddington Grange, Haddington – detached dormer bungalow
Notification had been received from NKDC planning that this application had been refused.

3. 09/0817 – Pond Cottage Butts Lane, Haddington - single storey front and rear extensions and 2-storey side extension.

The council reviewed the application and commented as follows:-

The Council have concerns that the size of the extension overwhelms the original house. The size of the proposed extension is a 43% increase on the original building. The Council have concerns regarding the amount of glass in some of the elevations which they feel is not in keeping with the original building, a Victorian cottage.

4. 09/0892 Sky Barn Farm, Haddington – Change of use of implement shed to light industrial use.

Cllr. Mrs Wetherill, as the wife of the applicant, declared a prejudicial interest and left the room during the discussion of this application.

The Council agreed on the following comments: - the application is retrospective as the business has been carried on for approx 6 months.

They want the nature of the business clarified i.e. – was it to assemble products (mobile toilets) to sell or for the products to be hired and return to site – and lastly to confirm whether the shed met the health and safety requirements needed i.e. provided the necessary facilities for the employees.

They also commented on the necessity for 7 car parking spaces.

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128/27/09 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The following accounts were approved at the meeting and cheques signed: -

1. D. Parker – Clerks Salary November £159.08 Expenses £14.56 Employees Costs (£84.82)
LAP's Salary November £402.65 Expenses £3.99 Total – £495.46
2. Lincs. County Council Pension Fund Account – November - £168.49
3. Lincs. County Council – Playground signage contribution - £75.99
- 4 The Council agreed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman could sign cheques for wages, pension and any other urgent invoices in January 2010 as there was no meeting scheduled until February 2010.

129/27/09 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Baileys Lane – Cllr. Mrs Woodman reported that she had received concerns from a parishioner about the definitive highway boundary in the lane and also the extent of a passing place. These concerns had arisen during the construction of a new dwelling in the lane. The clerk had asked LCC Highways for the boundary maps.
2. Cllr. Knott commented about the house numbering problems in Royal Oak Lane where items were being delivered to the wrong addresses. The Clerk would contact NKDC to ask for this matter to be looked into.

130/27/09 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was agreed to hold the next Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 3rd February 2010 at 8pm in Aubourn Enterprise Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm.