

MINUTES OF THE FINNINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,
FINNINGLEY, ON TUESDAY 17TH JANUARY 2017 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Cllrs R Johnson (Chairman), Mrs I Batunas, W Bedford, Mrs J Tuff, Mrs C Sheriff, Mrs C Styring and B Worsfold

IN ATTENDANCE:
Mr Roy Hattersley

Mr Hattersley spoke about moles on the playing fields. Any action will be decided at the Playing Fields Association meeting.

1. TO AGREE ITEMS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETING) ACT 1960

RESOLVED to exclude the public and press for Item 21- Follow up on presentation by Barrie Corscadden.

2. TO RECEIVE/ACCEPT APOLOGIES – Ward Councillors Steve Cox and Jane Cox, Stephen Racjan (DMBC)

3. DECLARATIONS OF OTHER INTERESTS AND ANY UPDATES TO EXISTING MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Cllr R Johnson declared an interest in Item 12
Cllr Mrs J Tuff declared an interest in Items 8, 13 & 15
Cllr Mrs I Batunas declared an interest in Items 13 & 15
Cllr B Worsfold declared an interest in Item 12
Cllr Mrs C Styring declared an interest in Items 13 & 15
Cllr Mrs C Sheriff declared an interest in Item 10
Cllr W Bedford declared an interest in Item 8

4. POLICING ISSUES

The clerk advised of the following incidents reported during November via police.uk:-

Anti-Social Behaviour – Pinfold Close

Vehicle Crime x 1 – Harvey Close

5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLORS - No Ward Councillors present

6. TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES RAISED UNDER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – No Issues Raised

7. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 20.12.16

RESOLVED the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

8. MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MEETING FOR INFORMATION/NOTING

Wellington Drive (Formally Trinity Gate) Footpath – Update

It was noted that no further response had been received from Barratt Developments.

RESOLVED to chase Karl Lerums-Development Manager.

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Boulders – Old Bawtry Road – No Further Update

North East Bassetlaw Community Liaison Group – Update

Cllr W Bedford advised that the next group meeting had been postponed until Thursday 9th February as some details of the Section 106 agreement would not be made available until the end of January.

Elm Drive Update

It was noted that the Chairman and Cllr Mrs C Sheriff were meeting with Mrs Patton – Head Teacher of St Oswalds School on Tuesday 24th January to discuss the ongoing parking problems.

RESOLVED to chase DMBC for site meeting.

CLERK

Harvey Close Update

Cllr B Worsfold advised that he had spoken to the resident of Harvey Close who raised concerns regarding cars parking on the pavement and it was noted that another resident had also raised similar concerns with Cllr Mrs C Sheriff.

It was noted that a resident had raised concern on social media and a number of anti-social comments had been made in response to this.

RESOLVED to contact the Ward Councillors regarding irresponsible parking both around the school and throughout the village and to ask for their assistance in tackling this with DMBC.

9. PEAFOWL IN THE VILLAGE

The Chairman advised that DMBC had contacted himself for further information in response to a complaint received from a resident regarding roaming peafowl in the village.

The Chairman read out the response sent by DMBC to the complainant. It was noted that, as there is no obvious or apparent owner or responsible body for the birds DMBC Enforcement would not take any action.

RESOLVED to note the response from DMBC.

10. CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS

Cllr Mrs C Sheriff reported problems with the switch tripping, the breaker in the electric box and vandalism of the lights and proposed that the Parish Council employ an electrician to test the underground cable, check the transformer and provide suggestions for new lighting.

RESOLVED to speak to an electrical contractor to seek advice in the first instance and discuss further at the February meeting.

CLLR B WORSFOLD

11. TO DISCUSS FURTHER ACTION ON THE MANAGEMENT OF TREES IN THE VILLAGE

Update from Cllr Johnson

The Chairman advised that the work as agreed was now scheduled for 23rd/24th January and it was noted that the logs (Cherry Tree) would be made available.

RESOLVED to chase Jonathan Tesh - DMBC for a site meeting to discuss the trees for which DMBC are responsible, many of which require attention.

CLERK

12. ISSUES RELATING TO JOINT PLAYING FIELD

Pavilion Project Update

Cllr B Worsfold advised that the interior is now close to being finished with just the changing rooms, toilet partitions, door furniture and kitchen equipment to complete. We were awaiting feedback on the surface for the external walkway around the pavilion. He had a site meeting arranged for 24th January to discuss plans for finishing the car parking area.

It was also noted that a revised schedule of work had been received with a revised completion date of 24th February and that the Chairman was in daily contact with the developer.

Pavilion Project – Financial Update

No further update

13. ISSUES RELATING TO VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall Committee meeting report

Cllrs Mrs C Styring and Mrs J Tuff gave an overview of the meeting held on Monday 16th January and advised that the hall charges had been discussed at length and a phased increase for the Seesaw Play Group agreed.

It was also noted that Anglian Water had carried out the annual safety check which has been passed.

RESOLVED to accept the report given by Cllrs Mrs C Styring and Mrs J Tuff and to note the increase in hire charges for the Seesaw Play Group.

Seesaw Play Group Request Update

No further update

Interior Damp Update

Cllr B Worsfold advised that based on the work specification provided he had received a verbal quote from a local joiner totaling £1050.00 and was awaiting confirmation of this in writing.

Cllr Mrs C Styring reported that unfortunately another local joiner had declined to quote due to personal circumstances.

RESOLVED to contact Bonsors Restoration Ltd to chase quote with a view to getting this work carried out during the February half term holiday.

14. POND ISSUES

Cllr B Worsfold advised of the quote received from Biomatrix Water for floating islands around the side of the pond.

The quotes received were discussed and it was noted that as this was a half day job for two people there was no difference in the installation cost for either one or two islands.

RESOLVED to accept the quote for two floating islands at a cost of £3,834.00 + VAT and that Cllr B Worsfold would liaise with Biomatrix Water.

15. ALLOTMENTS PROVISION – No further update

16. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Pre-Approved BIB transactions – For Information Only

£ 385.28	J Leighton-Eshelby (January Salary and Mileage)	BIB. 323
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£ 93.40	HMRC (PAYE)	BIB. 324
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To approve BIB transactions

£ 131.47	DMBC (Dog Bin Emptying)	BIB. 325
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£ 15.52	DMBC (Litter Bin Emptying)	BIB. 326
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£ 33.72	Npower (Village Pond)	BIB. 327
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Risk Assessment

The draft risk assessment previously circulated to members was discussed and two minor amendments were agreed.

RESOLVED to formally accept the Risk Management Assessment 2016/2017.

17. PLANNING ISSUES

a) Planning Update: Site on Bank End Road 13/00531/TIP
No Further Update

b) Planning Applications Received - NIL

c) Enforcement Update – St Oswalds Close

It was noted that Darren Sides (Highways) was currently investigating an alleged encroachment to the rear of the property but could not give any timescale given the current resources at his disposal.

RESOLVED to contact Darren Sides and ask for an indication of when this may be resolved.

CLERK

18. HIGHWAY ISSUES TO BE REPORTED TO DMBC

The Chairman advised that BT had erected a telegraph pole at the junction of Old Bawtry Road and Doncaster Road that was obscuring the "Give Way" sign. It was noted that both the Chairman and Cllr Mrs S Sheriff had contacted DMBC who have since confirmed that the telegraph pole will be removed and relocated in the near future.

19. WEBSITE ISSUES

Parish Council Website

Cllr Mrs C Sheriff advised that the website hosting and domain was up for renewal on the 6th March and it was agreed that the webmaster would action the renewal and invoice the Parish Council.

It was agreed that out of date information regarding bus routes would be removed from the website and links to the DMBC Big Switch and Superfast Broadband would be added.

20. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED to circulate to members in the usual manner.

Mayor Ros Jones

The Chairman reported that Mayor Ros Jones had been awarded a CBE in the New Year's Honours List 2017.

RESOLVED to write and congratulate Mayor Jones on being awarded the CBE.

Auditor Appointments for Smaller Authorities

Correspondence received from YLCA advising that following a successful procurement PKF Littlejohn have been appointed as the external auditor for all Parish and Town Councils in North, South and West Yorkshire for 2017/18 to 2021/22 was noted.

Finningley Village Community Group

It was noted that the group have raised funds to provide a Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) and following an assessment the Yorkshire Ambulance Service had expressed a preference for the defibrillator to be located at the Mayflower Medical Centre.

Unfortunately the practice was not prepared to support this citing costs as the reason for refusing permission to install the defibrillator on the outside of their building.

It was noted that the group has sufficient funds to meet the installation cost and the first years running costs of the PAD and cabinet and it was agreed that the Parish Council would include the ongoing running costs in next year's budget.

RESOLVED to approach the practice manager and ask for a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss this further.

CLERK

21. FOLLOW UP ON PRESENTATION BY BARRIE CORSCADDEN - PUBLIC AND PRESS EXCLUDED

Correspondence received from the Property Manager (Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield) was noted and it was resolved to write back and request a meeting as soon as possible to discuss further.

CLERK

22. TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 21st February 2017 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Chairman: