

MINUTES OF THE FINNINGLEY ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL, FINNINGLEY, ON TUESDAY 16TH MAY 2017 AT 7PM

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Stephen Racjan (DMBC)
Mr Roy Hattersley
Mr Alex Elder
Ward Councillor Alan Jones
Mr Alf Mell

Mr Mell spoke about the aesthetics of a number of areas throughout the village and how these could be improved. He offered to "walk the village" with members of the Council.

1. TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR

Cllr Mrs C Sheriff proposed Cllr R Johnson, this was seconded by Cllr W Bedford and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that Cllr R Johnson be Chairman for the year.

Cllr Mrs C Sheriff on behalf of the Parish Council thanked the Chairman for all his efforts over the past year.

2. SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE FORM

Cllr R Johnson signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR

Cllr W Bedford proposed Cllr Mrs C Sheriff, this was seconded by Cllr B Worsfold and unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that Cllr Mrs C Sheriff be Vice Chairman for the year.

4. TO AGREE ITEMS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETING) ACT 1960 - None

5. TO RECEIVE/ACCEPT APOLOGIES – Ward Councillor Steve Cox

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

Cllr R Johnson declared an interest in Item 15
Cllr B Worsfold declared an interest in Item 15
Cllr Mrs C Styring declared an interest in Item 18
Cllr Mrs C Sheriff declared an interest in Item 18
Cllr W Bedford declared an interest in Item 16

7. POLICING ISSUES

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

Theft – On or near Abbeyfields
Criminal Damage & Arson – On or near Lindley Road
Anti-Social Behaviour – On or near Blenheim Drive and Wroot Road
Violence – On or near Lindley Court

The Parish Council raised concern regarding the increase in criminal activity within the village.

It was also noted that the police have been carrying out speed checks in the village within the last week and were also in attendance during February and April.

8. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLORS

The Parish Council congratulated Ward Councillor Alan Jones on his re-election.

Councillor Jones spoke about the ongoing parking problems at the school and it was noted that Ward Councillor Steve Cox would be meeting with the headmistress to discuss the ongoing problems and a recent incident involving staff cars double parked which meant the refuse collection vehicle could not get down the street.

Stephen Racjan (DMBC) reported that he had also asked the PCSO`s and DMBC`s traffic enforcement for an update on the parking problems and the Parish Councils request for scheduled patrols and he also encouraged individual residents to request speeding patrols in the village.

Stephen Racjan also spoke about "Your Life,Your Way" DMBC`s new approach to Adult Social Care which aims to help people stay independent for longer.

The Chairman raised concern regarding Kingdom not being utilised to good advantage by DMBC. There appears to be too much concentration on Town Centre, no patrols in surrounding areas, particularly villages.

9. TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES RAISED UNDER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was agreed that the Parish Council would arrange a walk round with Mr Mell to see what areas can be improved. **CLLR'S MRS C SHERIFF, MRS C STYRING AND B WORSFOLD**

10. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD 18.04.17
RESOLVED the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

11. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18.04.17
RESOLVED the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

12. MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MEETING FOR INFORMATION/NOTING

Wellington Drive (Formally Trinity Gate) Footpath – Update

It was noted that the clerk had chased Richard Purcell (DMBC) and been advised that he was out of the office and not available until week commencing Monday 22nd May.

The Chairman spoke about the history of the footpath and it was noted that the developer has fulfilled their obligation and that DMBC is responsible for ensuring that the remainder of the footpath is reinstated.

RESOLVED to continue to chase.

CLERK

Elm Drive Update

It was noted that a request has been submitted to DMBC Highways for zigzag lines outside school and it was agreed that Ward Councillor Steve Cox would follow up.

Mayflower Medical Centre

Councillor W Bedford reported that he had raised a formal complaint with the NHS regarding the medical centres refusal to allow the defibrillator to be installed outside their premises. Councillor Bedford read out the negative response received from the NHS and it was noted that the Finningley Village Community Group would now approach the postmaster with regards to putting the defibrillator outside the Post Office.

13. CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS – No further update
RESOLVED to chase electrician.

CLLR B WORSFOLD

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

Contact with Higgins re Ash Tree

The clerk advised that she had spoken to the office manager who had requested further details regarding the exact location and number of trees involved.

RESOLVED to provide the information requested. **CLLR MRS C SHERIFF & CLERK**

Watering Rota – New Oak Tree

RESOLVED that Cllr Mrs C Styring would start the watering week commencing Monday 15th May and this will then be rotated between members.

15. ISSUES RELATING TO JOINT PLAYING FIELD

Pavilion Project Update

Cllr B Worsfold advised that the contractor has been served with a Notification of Termination and that the Parish Council had employed a locksmith in order to gain access and to change the locks.

It was noted that the door had been damaged which has been reported to the police and this has now been made safe and a new panel fitted.

Councillor Worsfold gave an update on the outstanding jobs including security fencing, plumbing and remedial joinery work required.

The Chairman spoke about the termination of the JCT Contract, the recommendations received from Setfords Solicitors and gave an update on the use of the pavilion by Doncaster Cricket Club.

RESOLVED to continue with the work to complete the pavilion, to challenge the contractors final demand and to support any costs associated with the legal process.

Pavilion Project – Financial Update

No further update

16. ISSUES RELATING TO VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall Committee Meeting Minutes if available – No minutes available

Interior Damp – Review of further actions necessary

It was noted that Bonsers had re-applied the limewash on Monday 10th April and had noted that the brickwork still appears damp on the left hand side.

17. POND ISSUES

Cllr B Worsfold advised that Biomatrix will be installing the floating islands during the first week of July, Parish Council to arrange delivery of the floating islands a few days prior to installation.

18. ALLOTMENTS PROVISION

No further update

19. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Pre-Approved BIB transactions – For Information Only

£ 385.28 J Leighton-Eshelby (May Salary and Mileage) BIB.342

£ 93.40 HMRC (PAYE) BIB.343

To approve BIB transactions

£ 41.91 J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Expenses) BIB.344

£ 131.47 DMBC (Dog Bin Emptying) BIB.345

£ 15.52 DMBC (Litter Bin Emptying) BIB.346

Income

£ 12,630.00 DMBC Precept (1st Payment)

a) Receive Annual Accounts 2016/17

The annual accounts 2016/17 were distributed, reviewed and accepted

b) Annual Governance Statement 2016/17

The Annual Governance Statement 2016/17 was reviewed, accepted and signed off by the Chairman.

c) Accounting Statement 2016/17

The Accounting Statement 2016/17 was reviewed, accepted and signed off by the Chairman.

20. PLANNING ISSUES

a) Planning Update: Site on Bank End Road 13/00531/TIP – No further update

b) Planning Applications Received

1. 17/01058/TCON – Conservation Area Notification to fell Ash x 1, Sycamore x 1 and Spruce x 1; the trees being within the Finningley Conservation Area at The Holte, Old Bawtry Road, Finningley No Objections

2. 17/00975/FUL – Proposed erection of part single storey/part 2 storey extension to side and rear of existing semi-detached house, following demolition of existing detached garage at 31 Harvey Close, Finningley No Objections

3. 17/01155/FUL – Temporary use of land for a period of 12 months for the use as a site compound for the construction of the FARRRS 2 Highway Infrastructure Scheme No Objection

c) Planning Applications Granted - NIL

21. APPOINTMENTS TO:

Joint Playing Field Committee (2)

Councillors R Johnson and B Worsfold

Village Hall Committee (2)
Councillors C Sheriff and W Bedford

22. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES:

PCJCC (1) plus a deputy
Councillor R Johnson Deputy – Councillor Mrs C Sheriff

Airport Noise Monitoring Committee (1)
Councillor Mrs C Sheriff

DMBC Public Rights of Way Forum (1)
Councillor W Bedford

23. PARISH COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS:

To agree/confirm 2 Council Auditors
Councillors R Johnson and Mrs C Styring

To agree/confirm Cheque/BIB Signatories
Councillors Mrs C Sheriff, W Bedford and B Worsfold

To agree/confirm members who will undertake Highways/Footpaths patrols
Councillors Mrs C Sheriff, Mrs C Styring, R Johnson, W Bedford and B Worsfold – members agreed to organise patrols on the basis of those available when the inspection is due (normally 4).

To agree/confirm Newsletter Editorial Team
Councillors Mrs C Styring, R Johnson and B Worsfold

To agree/confirm CLG Representatives
Councillors R Johnson and W Bedford

24. HIGHWAY ISSUES

It was noted that the telegraph pole erected by BT at the junction of Old Bawtry Road and Doncaster Road which is obscuring the "Give Way" sign has still not been relocated as promised.

RESOLVED to chase this up with David Haigh (DMBC)

CHAIRMAN

25. WEBSITE ISSUES

Parish Council Website
No issues raised

26. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE CORRESPONDENCE

Resolved to circulate to members in the usual manner.

DMBC Local Plan

A letter received from Nicola Ward – DMBC Principal Planner was noted and it was agreed that Nicola would attend the June Parish Council meeting to give update on the Doncaster Local Plan.

Scarecrow Festival

A letter received requesting permission to put bunting up on The Green for the run up to this years Scarecrow Festival was noted.

RESOLVED to grant permission.

Auckley Show

A request for financial support received from the Auckley Show Committee was discussed and it was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council would not be able to offer financial assistance but are happy to promote the show on the Parish Council website.

Finningley Village Community Group

A letter received requesting that DMBC arrange a date to carry out an appraisal of the Finningley Conservation Area was noted.

RESOLVED to forward the letter to Ward Councillors Alan Jones, Steve Cox and Jane Cox and ask them to respond directly to the group. **CLERK**

Maintenance of The Green

A letter received from Lisa Carter – DMBC Street Scene Technical Operations Manager regarding responsibility for maintenance of The Green was noted.

RESOLVED to respond and advise that DMBC are responsible for the maintenance and not the Parish Council. **CLERK**

27. FOLLOW UP ON DISCUSSIONS WITH RHA

It was noted that the representative of Peel Holdings was out of the office until 17th May.

RESOLVED to chase for a response to our letter of request. **CLERK**

28. FOLLOW UP ON PRESENTATION BY BARRIE CORSCADDEN

Site Meeting Request

A response received from Barrie Corscadden was read out and noted.

29. TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 20th June 2017 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Chairman: