

MINUTES OF THE FINNINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,  
FINNINGLEY, ON TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Cllrs R Johnson (Chairman), W Bedford, R Castle, J Clarke, Mrs C Styring  
and B Worsfold  
Cllr Mrs C Sheriff arrived late (7.55pm) due to a prior engagement

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ward Councillor Alan Jones  
Stephen Racjan (DMBC)  
Mr Roy Hattersley

Four members of the public

A member of the public expressed concern regarding recent activity on the parcel of land that was recently considered for affordable housing development.

The Chairman reiterated that following the public consultation the Parish Council had withdrawn its piece of land but that other organisations had also been involved with this including Peel and DMBC.

It was noted that the Parish Council had contacted Peel regarding the recent activity but that no response had been received to date.

Councillor B Worsfold advised that the Parish Council have been looking at their land to access the options available for allotments and that they have requested a further meeting with Tony Lonsdale (Peel) to discuss the proposed agreement drawn up by the Allotment Society.

A member of the public also spoke about any planning permission that may be required for the allotments and the impact that birds may have on the airfield.

Bridget Clark gave an update on the village maypole and advised that fundraising was going well. Stephen Racjan (DMBC) agreed to look into any potential Heritage Lottery funding that may be available for the maypole.

**1. TO AGREE ITEMS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETING) ACT 1960** – Item 20  
(Correspondence from which Public and Press are excluded)

**2. TO RECEIVE/ACCEPT APOLOGIES** – Ward Councillors Steve and Jane Cox.

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

Cllr R Johnson declared an interest in Item 12

Cllr B Worsfold declared an interest in Item 12

Cllr Mrs C Styring declared an interest in Item 15

Cllr W Bedford declared an interest in Item 8 & 13

Cllr R Castle declared an interest in Item 15

**4. POLICING ISSUES**

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

Anti-Social Behaviour x 2 – Lower Pasture and Croft Court

Violence x 3 – Lower Pasture, Lindley Road and The Green

The Chairman spoke about the South Yorkshire Police Alerts messaging system and Councillor R Castle raised a report from Finningley Folk of white vans being broken into.

The Chairman stressed that the village is being seriously let down by the law enforcement agencies in our area.

#### **5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLORS/DMBC REPRESENTATIVES**

Ward Councillor Alan Jones reported that he receives weekly police updates from Inspector Mark Palin and he was asked to request that these reports are also circulated to the Parish Council via the clerk.

The Parish Council expressed their disappointment that they have repeatedly asked for a regular police presence at their meetings but had no success with this. It was also noted that Inspector Palin had stated that PCSO's would be attending every Neighbourhood Watch meeting but that there had been no evidence of this.

Councillor Jones also advised that David Ridge had now left DMBC and that his role as Communities Area Manager has been taken over by Steve Thomas. Councillor Jones spoke about the use of Section 106 money around the community and the Chairman requested that Councillor Jones convey his thoughts on this to the Parish Council via the clerk. It was also noted that the Parish Council have previously been asked for and provided a list of potential projects to DMBC.

Stephen Racjan (DMBC) spoke about a new incentive which can provide extra manpower in the form of young adults as support for community projects and it was agreed that this would be put on the March agenda for further discussion.

It was noted that the Tour de Yorkshire would be going through Blaxton on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and that he was liaising with St Oswald's Academy with regards to involving the school children. DMBC Community Officers are also arranging drop in sessions at the school.

The Chairman asked Stephen to follow up on the request for additional signage for Lindley Road indicating the location of the Playing Fields.

The Parish Council had a lengthy discussion regarding the increase of dog fouling under the new DMBC dog control order, lack of enforcement and the problems with dogs being off leads. Stephen agreed to feedback the concerns raised and to arrange a site visit with a colleague to discuss these issues further.

**6. TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES RAISED UNDER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -** No items raised that required further discussion.

#### **7. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 16.01.18**

It was resolved that the minutes be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

A member of the public raised concern that draft minutes and meeting papers are not made available to members of the public. The Chairman advised that at the January meeting the Parish Council had resolved that draft minutes would be produced within 10 days of a meeting and circulated to members and after a few months the Parish Council would then consider publishing draft minutes and making them available to the public. The Chairman reiterated minute no.9 (16.01.18) and the Parish Council were in full agreement of this.

#### **8. MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MEETING FOR INFORMATION/NOTING**

Wellington Drive (Formally Trinity Gate) Footpath – Update

No further update available.

#### North East Bassetlaw Community Liaison Group

Councillor W Bedford reported that IGas were in the process of arranging test drills at the two sites and that the last Community Liaison Group meeting had been held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

The Chairman reported that the sites are suffering badly with protesters at present.

### **9. PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

#### Future newsletter format and distribution (leaflet/magazine)

It was noted that following the discussion at the January Parish Council meeting the Chairman had circulated the costings for publishing in the Arrow.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council will produce their own newsletter in March which will be delivered to all households in Finningley.

Councillor R Castle expressed concern regarding the lack of communication with residents from the other village groups i.e. Village Hall, Playing Fields and the Pavilion etc. and the Parish Council discussed the ways in which these groups already communicate with residents.

The Chairman agreed to ensure that any available fixtures are put on the website and asked members for any items that they would like including in the next newsletter.

### **10. CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS**

#### Timer

No further update available.

Councillor Mrs C Sheriff reported that as agreed at the January meeting she had approached Auckley Parish Council to offer the old lights as 'spares and repairs' and these had been gratefully accepted.

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

#### Progress – Approved Work

The Chairman advised that Viking Trees would be starting the work approved at the November Parish Council meeting at the beginning of March.

### **12. ISSUES RELATING TO JOINT PLAYING FIELD**

#### Pavilion Project Update

Councillor B Worsfold reported that the roller shutter door had once again been damaged by the wind so both himself and the Chairman had effected a temporary repair. It was noted that the door arranged by DDL was not fit for purpose and it was resolved to purchase an industrial roller shutter from Metro Locksmiths who have agreed to make the current door safe and secure until the new door can be fitted.

Councillor Worsfold also advised that all the hard landscaping has been completed at the front of the pavilion and that the boot scrapers will be fitted within the next few weeks. It was noted that the containers were currently being emptied with a view to disposing of these in the near future.

#### Pavilion Project – Financial/Legal Update

It was noted that the Chairman and Councillor B Worsfold had met with DMBC to discuss the potential uses of the Section 106 money.

The Parish Council discussed the procedure for applying for the money and expressed a strong desire for the money to be used on outdoor recreation in the village and Blaxton only and not elsewhere in the area.

### Complaint regarding car parking at the junction of Lindley Road and Lindley Court

The Chairman read out a complaint received from a resident concerning the problem of car parking on Sunday mornings in the area around the junction of Lindley Road and Lindley Court which he had also circulated to all pavilion users.

The Parish Council discussed the responses received and the possible resolutions and it was noted that there was a lack of support from users with regards to managing the car parking.

The Chairman advised that the complaint would be discussed at the next Playing Fields Association meeting (21/02) and he would feedback the Parish Councils thoughts on this.

## **13. ISSUES RELATING TO VILLAGE HALL**

### Village Hall Committee Meeting Minutes/Report

Councillor Mrs S Sheriff reported that a committee meeting was held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February where items discussed included the purchasing of more chairs and the renewing of user contracts, although it was noted that unfortunately neither herself nor Councillor W Bedford had been present at the meeting.

### Damp Monitoring Report

Councillor J Clarke reported that further monitoring had been carried out and there were currently no concerns.

### Discuss advice received from Bonsers following site visit

The Parish Council discussed the report provided by Bonsers following their site visit.

### Damp in cupboards

The main issue is keeping the ventilation circulating by the opening of doors and windows and also maintaining air gaps between the stored items and the walls to allow the air to circulate. **RESOLVED** to ask the Village Hall Committee to look at this.

### Window Reveals

The main problem is that the paint has trapped moisture over a long period of time and the lime binder has failed. It was also pointed out that air bricks located under the cills have been painted over.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would look at the work required on the reveals and also look at clearing the air bricks on the outside of the building.

It was also noted that Bonsers have recommended keeping a log of all work carried out which can then be referred back to in the future. **RESOLVED** to look into this further before the March Parish Council meeting. **CLLR B WORSFOLD**

## **14. POND ISSUES**

Councillor B Worsfold advised that the pest control bin has now been installed at the pond.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council purchase rat bait to be put into the bait station. **CLLR B WORSFOLD**

**RESOLVED** to write to DMBC and ask them to remove the old waste bin situated at the pond. **CLERK**

## **15. ALLOTMENTS PROVISION**

### Site clearance quotations – progress and feedback

The Chairman advised that two contractors have been to look at the site and as only one quote has been received so far it was agreed to discuss this further at the March Parish Council meeting.

Feedback from Peel re further meeting

It was noted that no further response had been received.

## **16. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### Pre-Approved BIB transactions – For Information Only

£ 100.00	Finningley Community Group (Donation agreed at January meeting towards Defibrillator training)	BIB.389
£ 385.28	J Leighton-Eshelby (January Salary)	BIB.390
£ 93.32	HMRC (PAYE)	BIB.391
£ 23.49	Mrs C Sheriff (Reimbursement of expenses)	BIB.392

### To approve BIB transactions

£ 20.38	Mr S Sheriff (PC website domain renewal)	BIB.393
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## **17. PLANNING ISSUES**

### **a) Planning Update: Site on Bank End Road 13/00531/TIP**

The Chairman read out recent correspondence received from a resident expressing further concerns regarding the site.

**RESOLVED** to express the Parish Councils support for the concerns raised.  
**CLERK**

### **b) Planning Applications Received**

17/03031/FUL - Erection of 3 detached dwellings and garages at Heathfield House, Old Bawtry Road, Finningley. Object

- 1) The village has already met and exceeded its quota under the Local Plan
- 2) Infill of this size throughout the village is significant and the Parish Council question that the current infrastructure can support this.

### **c) Planning Concerns – No concerns raised**

## **18. HIGHWAY ISSUES**

### Village Walk Around

The Parish Council agreed to arrange a walk around once the weather improves.

### School Parking – emails from Cllr Castle and Cllr S Cox

The Parish Council discussed the ongoing problem with school parking and the Chairman read out correspondence received from Ward Councillor Steve Cox who is already engaged with the school.

**RESOLVED** to write to Ward Councillor Steve Cox to thank him for all his efforts to date and request that he continues to pursue this and keep the Parish Council updated.

## **19. WEBSITE ISSUES**

Parish Council Website – No issues raised

**20. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayflower Medical Practice unforeseen benefits application

It was noted that the practice want to open a pharmacy and have requested the Parish Councils support.

Concern was raised concerning parking facilities for people using the pharmacy and it was noted that the present staff car parking facilities would be made available and the practice do not foresee any issues with parking.

**RESOLVED** to write a letter of support to NHS England.

**CLERK**

North Lincolnshire Local Plan (2017 to 2036) – Issues and Options

Circulated to members previously and noted.

The Commonwealth Summit 2018

Circulated to members previously and noted.

Correspondence from which Public and Press are excluded

The Parish Council discussed the correspondence received.

**21. TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Chairman: .....