

# Washingborough Parish Council

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Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021** at 2 pm, in the Community Centre

- a. Public Forum - no members of the public attended the meeting
- b. Report from NKDC (appended)
- c. LCC Councillors - Cllr Cawrey had asked if the Parish Council would support her request to Highways for a review of the road surface on Park Lane, due to it being a concrete base and if there were any other similar roads in the village. The Parish Council fully support Cllr Cawrey and have suggested that the surfaces on Sandra Crescent and Julia Road also be looked into.

Present:

Cllr D Fothergill (Chairman)	Cllr Mrs J Aspinall
Cllr Mrs B Bland	Cllr R Clark
Cllr R Harrington	Cllr G Kent
Cllr G Peck	Cllr Mrs L Simons
Cllr Mrs R Whipp	Miss K Broddle (Clerk)

Also present: Cllr Tinsley (NKDC)

## 45. Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation

- a. Apologies were received from Cllrs Carrington, & Goodwin (NKDC).
- b. Declarations of Interest – none received.
- c. Applications for Dispensation – None.

46. Draft notes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 15 September 2021 were approved for signature as the minutes.

## 47. Clerks Report:

- a. Utilities supplier, ESPO had advised that they had purchased our energy requirements early to protect customers from the current price rises and to reassure that our supplies will continue to be delivered throughout winter.
- b. The Parish Councils insurance company is changing its name to Gallagher as they are part of the Gallagher group.
- c. The Governments call for evidence on remote meetings closed in June 2021, but as yet no further progress has been made.

## 48. Recommendations from Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting – 11 October 2021.

The notes were circulated prior to the meeting and the following recommendations were proposed, seconded and resolved:

- a. the tennis clubs request to move the flood light controls – they are to be advised:
- b. while Council is not able to pay for this request, they would not object if the club wish to fund it themselves, providing;
  - i. they run the full final details past the Council for permission, and
  - ii. take account of their agreement, point 4 which states - they must continue to allow other sporting clubs access to the tennis club pavilion for the use of the MUGA and playing field flood lights.
- c. the 2022/23 tariffs for the sporting facilities,
- d. the working party to look into additional useage of the Pavilion be Cllrs Fothergill, Bland and Harrington,
- e. Christmas public opening hours,
- f. Community Centre charges and change of set up and clear away times for 2022/23,
- g. the working party for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations and the opening of the new play park to be the members of the play park working party.

## 49. The following items were discussed with the resolutions as stated:

- a. Report and recommendations following attendance at the LALC AGM & Conference - It was proposed, seconded and resolved to
  - i. set up an instagram page
  - ii. to include a link to 'Wellbeing Lincs' on the website
  - iii. for Cllr Kent to research the cost of a Blanchere Christmas Illumination, in respect of considering a competition for the children of the village.

- b. Cllr request to discuss NKDC's help with local businesses – the clerk advised that details regarding the help offered by NKDC has been included in the November edition of Sheepwash Times.
- c. Free Trees from the Woodland Trust – it was proposed, seconded and resolved not to apply for the free trees as the tree pack size was too great, but a single tree to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee be sourced for purchase.
- d. Support for a TRO – further information is to be requested to enable Council to make a decision.
- e. Security of the Tennis club area – it was proposed, seconded and resolved to answer the questions asked by the club and advise that they contact the police for advice on security, but it remains their responsibility to secure their area.
- f. NKDC request regarding volunteers to look after artwork around the village – it was proposed, seconded and resolved that with there being no known volunteer groups to do this that this request is declined. NKDC will be advised that the artwork on the old Village Hall, which is now privately owned is the responsibility of the property owners.
- g. Request from the Guides Leader regarding lighting and nuisance in Chapel Park – it was proposed, seconded and resolved that Council's electric contractors be requested to look at the street light to see if they are able to upgrade the bulb. It will also be advised to the guides that this may increase the nuisance element, which they need to report to the police.
- h. Offer of a Salt Bag from LCC – it was proposed, seconded and resolved to find out if this offer is made as an addition to, or with the intention of it replacing LCC filling the grit bins. It was also requested that the clerk look into storage for a salt bag.
- i. Bar Service – it was proposed, seconded and resolved to request a meeting with K-Bars to see what service they could offer to the Council. The bar working party and the clerk will attend this meeting.
- j. Working Party Updates:
  - i. Litter Picking Volunteers – the working party have completed their remit.
  - ii. Community Centre Bar – the group had met to discuss the application to remove the DPS, Cllr Scigala was not able to attend the meeting to present the application..
  - iii. Play Equipment – the working party have met to start the procurement process and have set out a list of the equipment that will be requested.

## 50. Planning Matters.

- a. Applications received:
  - i. 21/1419 & 1420: Church House, 14 High Street –demolish existing timber shed and erect masonry shed. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that Council do not wish to make any comment on this application.
  - ii. 21/1440: 7 Exeter Close – erect conservatory at rear of dwelling. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that Council do not wish to make any comment on this application.
  - iii. 21/1403: 52 Cambridge Drive – single storey garage extension. It was proposed, seconded and resolved that Council do not wish to make any comment on this application.

### b. Decisions

The following list of decisions were noted

- a. 21/1247: Poplar Bank Farm, Bardney Road - approved
- b. 21/1067: 1 Marlborough Ave - approved
- c. 21/0077: 10 High Street - approved
- d. 21/1074: 52 Lincoln Road - approved
- e. 21/1255: 17 Becket Close - approved
- f. 21/1258: The Acorns, Church Hill - approved

## 51. Financial matters:

- a. The payment schedule was proposed, seconded and resolved and the salaries etc were noted (see below).

- b. The accounts/budget for September 2021 were noted.
- c. The Unity Trust Bank statement of account as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 was noted and signed.
- d. The work to the emergency lighting in the Pavilion was proposed, seconded and resolved.
- e. It was proposed, seconded and resolved to accept the quote for surveys of the trees on the Village Green and Penfold from Springwood Tree Services

52. Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it was proposed, seconded and resolved to move into closed session for the following item: NONE

There being no other business the meeting closed at 4.10pm.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS: Oct 2021		Amount
Petty Cash		
07 Oct 2021	Kettle (Pavilion)	£13.00
		<u>£13.00</u>
Current Account		
20 Oct 2021	Window Cleaning (P)	£25.00
20 Oct 2021	Cleaning, boot brushes	£379.50
20 Oct 2021	Broadband/Phone	£106.78
20 Oct 2021	AGM & Conference	£33.00
20 Oct 2021	White Line Marker	£180.30
20 Oct 2021	Outdoor Gym (2nd half payment)	£6,789.00
20 Oct 2021	Chapel Park/Ferry Lane Grass Cut	£116.77
20 Oct 2021	Electric (CC)	£106.83
20 Oct 2021	Water Rates (P)	£193.00
20 Oct 2021	Keys cut - railings	£37.50
20 Oct 2021	NDR (P)	£358.00
20 Oct 2021	NDR (CC)	£362.00
20 Oct 2021	Gas (P)	£49.44
20 Oct 2021	Gas (CC)	£83.34
20 Oct 2021	Pavilion Railings	£5,001.02
		<u>£13,821.48</u>
20 Oct 2021	Salaries, HMRC, Pensions	<u>£7,284.52</u>
	Total expenditure: Oct 2021	<u><u>£21,119.00</u></u>

## **District Councillors' Report - October 2021** **Heighington, Washingborough & Canwick**

### **Covid**

Date as at 8 Oct 21:

- England 340 positive tests per 100,000
- North Kesteven 386
- Heighington area 388
- Washingborough & Canwick area 362
- 85% of adult population (12 and over) have had 1<sup>st</sup> dose
- 78% have had 2<sup>nd</sup> dose

### **Purple Bins**

The first week's collection of Purple Bins was a great success. 419 tonnes of paper and cardboard were collected and have been sent to the papermill to be recycled.

98.5% of Purple Bins were emptied – meaning 1.5% were uncollected due to the wrong materials being present.

The focus is now on improving the quality of waste placed in the Green Bins. [www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.n-kesteven.gov.uk/recycling) contains information on what can be placed in the Green Bin including an A-Z of individual items. If the wrong materials are present, the Green Bin will not be collected!

### **NKDC Membership**

Following a series of Councillor resignations and movements between political groups, the current political balance of the Council is;

NK Administration Group	- 27
NK Independent Group	- 11
Unaligned Councillors	- 2
Vacancies	- 3

By-Elections will take place on 11 Nov 21 in Metheringham and Sleaford Castle Ward to fill the vacancies.

### **Business Start-Up Grants**

Businesses which have started up over the last 5 months, or are looking to start up, are able to apply for a new Start-Up grant established by NKDC. Applications from all sectors will be considered with priority given to those in the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure sectors.

### **LINCS NHS SERVICES**

A public consultation has commenced to consider the following services;

- Orthopaedic surgery across Lincs
- Urgent and emergency care at Grantham and District Hospital
- Acute medical beds at Grantham and District Hospital
- Stroke services across Lincs

A number of public events will take place over the 12-week consultation period and all are encouraged to share their views using the consultation questionnaire which can be found on <https://www.lincolnshire.nhs.uk>.