# Minutes of the Meeting of East Butterwick Parish Council held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017 in the W.H.Scutt Hall at 7.30pm

Present; Cllr D.Clark; Chairman

Cllr's F.Bottamley, E.Cunnah, M.Stamp,

2 Members of Public

**Apologies for Absence** 

Cllr T.Staples.

Declarations of Interest Min 81/2017

Cllr Clark; PF/VHC.

#### Question from members of Public Min 82/2017

Request from lady, Chapel Lane for proper dog waste bin with lid & notices along the lane leading to the Common requesting people to "pick up after their dogs, Advised by Clerk that dog waste can now be placed in ordinary litter bins.

#### To Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting Min 83/2017

Resolved; That the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 be approved a correct record.

#### Questions & Updates on the Minutes Min 84/2017

Cllr Clark had met with two contractors re cutting back willow trees on Trent Bank. One had declined the work as it was too big a job for his company; Amber Tree Care were to send quote. Not received, further letter to be sent. Clerk had delivered questionnaire, 60 in all, to most houses in the village, only 4 had been returned. Item on agenda.

## Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor's Min 85/2017 None present

Accounts for Payment Min 86/2017

Resolved; That the accounts detailed below be approved;

PKF Littlejohn .....External Audit 2016/17...... Nil account sent ; queried.

N.Beresford.......Clerk Salary & Expenses July-Sept ..... £ 122.13

HMRC..... PAYE July – Sept ...... £ 20.00

Royal British Legion....Poppy Wreath..... £ 25.00

#### To Receive External Audit Report Min 87/2017

Only comment; Failed to display rights of public to inspect within the correct time frame. Noted.

#### Playing Field Village Hall Matters Min 88/2017

Nothing to report.

#### Hale & Common Min 89/2017

Letter from Natural England advising of changes to dates for grant payments now to pay 75% as first half then remaining 25% at end of financial year. Noted.

Planning Matters Min 90/2017

No applications received.

#### To Discuss Results of Village Survey Min 91/2017

Only 4 received back of the **60** delivered which was most disappointing. Agreed to copy results to all Members for discussion at December meeting. Cllr Bottamley suggested we hold a public meeting, this was not taken on board due to the poor response from the questionnaires.

Discussion took place on items raised to Councillor's mostly in the village pub. Lady present would be interested in joining an exercise class in the village hall but knew no-one who would be willing to take the class, ClIr Clark; Welcome to use hall if enough persons showed interest to make it viable.

Cllr Cunnah: Parish Council could consider sponsoring such events for a short period to help get them off the ground. Lady would look into & report back.

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NLC; North Lincolnshire in Bloom Grants; £250 awarded to Butterwick; Initiative to encourage volunteers to become more active in their communities. Applications to be returned by 30<sup>th</sup> November with costings. Place on Notice Boards for information of residents.

Ward Councillors: Information on Lincolnshire in Bloom Grants.

NLC: Dates of November meetings.

#### Councillor's Reports Min 93/2017

Cllr Cunnah; Residents intimated they would form a fishing club & apply to take over the lease of the pond, many persons expressed disgust at the Parish Council paying for the installation of the otter fencing which had no benefit to residents and was just for the clubs benefit. Cllr Clark informed Trentside Angling held the lease at present residents from the village are welcome to join the club at a discounted 50% of price to outsiders. The otter fencing would benefit residents in the long term as if there were no fish there would be no lake. Trentside Angling have doubled their rent for the next five years to pay for 50% of the fence costs out of their own funds.

Cllr Cunnah had also received complaints that few people especially new comers to the village knew who to contact to hire the village hall, this information was not advertised. Cllr Clark: Why can't they just ask neighbours etc, it was strange how people managed to find him if the horses were loose or any problems with gates & fences. Cllr Bottamley suggested placing an advert in Messingham Parish Magazine, it was thought not many residents were aware of this publication. Cllr Stamp details of all organisations contact details be placed in the two notice boards, this was agreed. Information on Members contact details, agenda & Minutes should also be displayed. Clerk to action. Clerk stated details of Members & minutes of meetings were on the Web Site but it was difficult to

access.

Cllr Clark asked if a letter of thanks had been sent to NLC Highways for the vast improvements to Messingham Lane. Clerk confirmed yes asking that Sheena Alexander be thanked for her input. Cllr Bottamley asked for a letter to be sent to Messingham Parish Council for supporting us by sending letters to NLC. Clerk to action. He did not agree that NLC had done a good job, Cllr Stamp; just took top off mixed with tar using this to resurface. Cllr Clark; Highways had limited funds and we were fortunate in getting this work done. Cllr Bottamley; hazards had been created by digging grips for drainage. Cllr Cunnah; HGV's don't need to use this road to access the village, Cllr Bottamley explained that when Burringham P.C. were successful in having the weight restriction reduced to 7.5 tonnes through their village the road from Asda circle to Burringham was also subjected to this weight limit. We did at the time request for the restriction to be from Asda to South View Ave to allow HGV to access Butterwick on the road to the rear of the Churchyard but this was ignored.