

Minutes of the Meeting of
East Butterwick Parish Council
held on Tuesday 12th December 2017
in the W.H.Scutt Hall at 7.30pm

Present ; Cllr D.Clark ; Chairman

Cllr's F.Bottamley, E.Cunnah, T.Staples ; 1 Member of Public.

Apologies for Absence

Cllr M.Stamp ; NLC.s J.England T.Foster,

Declarations of Interest Min 94/2017 Cllr Clark ; VH/PFC.

Questions from Members of Public Min 95/2017 None asked

To Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting Min 96/2017

Resolved ; That the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2017

Be approved a correct record.

Questions & Updates on the Minutes Min 97/2017

Quote received from Amber Tree Services to cut back willow trees on Trent Bank £5250 +VAT, all debris to be removed at end of each working day. Other contractor asked to quote declined as the job was to big for them to take on. Letter received from NLC advising that Severn Trent had made an application to prune trees along the Trent Bank that were subject to TPO's. Cllr Bottamley proposed that we contact S.T. asking if they were carrying out work to other trees, this was supported by all Members. Clerk to write to S.T.

Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor's Min 98/2017 None present.

Accounts for Payment Min 99/2017

Insurance due for renewal on 11th January. Quote from Zurich giving three options for either yearly or a Long Term Agreement that sets the price over whichever term agreed. 1 year £ 1937.66
3 year £ 990.00 ; 5 year £ 942.29. Cllr Clark proposed the five year term as gave value for money. On a vote being taken Resolved That the five year option be approved.

HSR Law..... Deposit for Disbursements re Cenotaph..... £ 50.00

Set Budget & Precept 2018/19 Min 100/2017

Clerk had circulated with agenda Summary of Income & Expenditure to end November.
Cllr Clark reminded members that it had been agreed last year that a precept would not be raised for 2018/19 in the light of the high balances held in our accounts.

Resolved ; That a Nil precept agreed ; NLC to be informed.

To Approve Appointment of Solicitors re Cenotaph Min 101/2017

Rev. Swannock had requested the name of our solicitor required to allow the Church Diocese to protect the area of land in the Church grounds where the Cenotaph stands being included in the sale of the Church. The Diocese would pay all legal fees. The Council did not have a solicitor at present as the one previously used had been amalgamated with HSR Law. Clerk, after liaising with the Chairman had asked them to act on our behalf which they had agreed. Cllr Bottamley ; would have been easier to use Scunthorpe firm. Cllr Cunnah ; Use one that is good at this type of work. Cllr Staples ; if Diocese are paying all fees supported Chairman.

Resolved ; That Approval of HSR Law to act on our behalf be agreed.

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Playing Field Village Hall Matters Min 102/2017

Cllr Cunnah : Consider laying surfacing down then paint games such as hopscotch.

Hale & Common Min 103/2017

Letter from Natural England on claims made after 1st December advising that organisations not registered for VAT will require letter from Chartered Accountant confirming non registration. Noted

Planning Matters Min 104/2017

2017/1713 ; CVS UK ; Pet Crematorium Butterwick Road ; erect rear extension ; No objection.

Clerk had spoken to Messingham P.C Clerk to obtain their views ; they had no objection.

To Discuss Results of Survey Min 105/2017

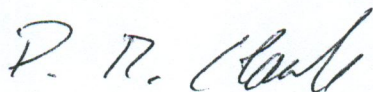
Very disappointing that only four residents had responded from the sixty plus delivered. Two of the responders only gave negative comments both complaining of money spent on the otter fencing round the fishing lake. Cllr Clark : Trentside Angling Club were contributing 50% of the cost from their own funds by doubling their lease payments for the next five years, if the fencing had not been erected this facility would be lost resulting in lost revenue for the village. The same two residents also complained that a fund raising event for McMillan had not been held at the village hall. Cllr Cunnah ; This event had been organised by the Dog & Gun she had just helped them out as an extra pair of hands. Three residents asked for new play equipment one of which had sent in details of costs but these had not factored in the delivery, erection, new safety surfacing as required for critical fall height & depth. All stated they would not use fitness equipment. Many ideas from John Staples including placing Solar Panels on the village hall roof, Which it was agreed to look into. Placing Wind Turbines on the common, The common is registered as a Nature Reserve this would not be allowed. Electric Car Charging equipment on the village hall ; to costly to install with no guaranteed income. ; Erect Concrete Garage on field to house tractor/grass cutting machinery ; this had already been looked into by the Parish Council, problem was that liability insurance costs for volunteers to use equipment was sky high. Decorate Village Hall ; agreed to look round to assess work required. Maintain & Paint the existing play equipment which in his opinion is adequate for the number of children in the village ; to be looked into. Consult with the Drury Family, who own the land between Riverdale & Trent House, to sell off 4-6 building plots with the Parish Council assisting with Planning Permission using the rest of the land as a recreation area planted with trees & seating & be called the "John Drury Park". Cllr Bottamley supported this saying we should look at the long term benefit, concentrating on some housing development to justify expenditure. He had attended several meetings over the past resulting in access entrances along the High Street not blocked off. Cllr Cunnah ; Flooding problems when a vast area of land had been flooded but not many houses had been affected. Cllr Staples : Only applications we receive are for large properties. Ongoing.

Correspondence Min 106/2017

NLC ; Severn Trent Water have asked that due to the problems with willow trees subject to TPO's causing difficulty in cutting the banks NLC give approval which they have, it is not known when this work will commence. Quote received from Amber Tree Care for work on willow trees received ,price £5250. It was agreed that a letter be sent to Severn Trent asking if they intend cutting other trees along the Bank that are not subject to TPO's. Clerk to action.

NLC ; Dates for December/January meetings.

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Correspondence cont.....

NLC Lincolnshire in Bloom ;

Clerk had placed notices in both boards asking for volunteers to assist with this scheme. Cllr Cunnah suggested we obtain some tyres, paint them up & plant at both entrances to the village. Cllr Staples agreed to obtain prices for paint, fertilizer & plants & inform the Clerk to allow NLC to approve the expenditure.

NLC Revision of Snow Warden Scheme

Ward Councillor's have been appointed as Lead Snow Warden (LSW) for each Parish who will work alongside Parish Snow Wardens (PSW). Salt will be provided to refill salt bins, (Cllr Clark confirmed we have a supply left over from last year) this is stored in his barn. Extreme weather conditions NLC have a list of approved contractors which should be used in these conditions. Only the LSW can activate. Volunteers are required to spread salt in areas such as Chapel Lane end where the school bus turns round. NLC will clear secondary routes when conditions are extreme on a priority basis & funding allows. Request for volunteers placed in notice boards as only two members live in the village.

Councillor's Reports Min 107/2017

Cllr Staples asked if we had received any dates of meetings when flood defences would be discussed as East Butterwick seems to be excluded from any work to the Trent Bank. Information on placing concrete pylons from Keadby Bridge through to Burringham should raise height, did not extend to our village. No sand bags or any other help had been forthcoming last time we were flooded. Cllr Cunnah supported this, it was causing worries to residents. This was discussed at last years AGM, Ward Cllr's should be involved.

Other issues raised ; Signpost on Trent Bank indicating "Messingham" damaged.

Chevrns on bends along Messingham Lane had been subject to vandalism by blacking out the chevrons. ; it was stated that the recent rains had wash most of this off.

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