

BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TODDS LANE, BURTON UPON STATHER ON MONDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2013

PRESENT:	Parish Councillors:	
	Cllr DJ Faulks in the Chair	
	Cllr C Allison	Cllr PF Bell
	Cllr Mrs A Bradley	Cllr C Brydges
	Cllr Mrs AM Croft	Cllr AV Demaude
	Cllr RW Harris	Cllr W Johnston
	Cllr J Mitchell	Cllr M Peace
	Cllr C Taylor	Cllr Mrs EM Whittaker
	North Lincolnshire Councillors:	Ward Cllr Mrs E Marper
		Ward Cllr R Ogg
	Parish Clerk:	Mrs J Harrison
	Members of the public:	1
APOLOGIES:	Cllr Mrs HE Keane	Ward Cllr Ms H Rowson
	Cllr NF Thornes	

Prior to commencement of the meeting Cllr Faulks welcomed Mr Roy Smith, Director of Kingsferry Wharf, and invited him to address the meeting. Mr Smith began by introducing his son, Mr Martin Smith, the Operations Director at the Wharf. He then described his business and explained that he had recently purchased the adjacent property known as Kingsferry House.

Initially Mr Smith explained that, as a wharf, his business is required to operate and conform to many rules and regulations. Security issues are important. He informed the meeting that the operating hours Monday to Friday and that the wharf did not operate on a Saturday, Sunday or on Bank Holidays. On a busy day 5 lorries visited the wharf with their contents, the last one to visit the weighbridge would be no later than 3.00 pm. Each business/lorry driver receives a copy of the route to be taken by the driver to the wharf. Mr Smith requested that if any member of the parish sees that a driver has deviated from the route they should inform the directors, together with the registration number of the vehicle, and, in turn, they would contact the company.

Mr Smith advised access to the wharf would remain through the existing entrance. He explained that he had installed containers in the grounds of Kingsferry House and there were a further 3 to arrive. All were to be single storey and painted green. The containers would be used to store imported decorative stone. There were no plans to use the offices at the present time. The trees to the front of the offices are to be examined by the North Lincolnshire Council Environment Officer (Trees and Landscapes) to check their health and the safety of the root system. The perimeter fence would be repaired. Mr Smith then answered questions in relation to his business.

Cllr Faulks thanked Messrs Roy and Martin Smith who then left the meeting.

Ward Councillor Mrs Marper advised North Lincolnshire Council had included the slurry seal of the footpaths on Barnston Way in their maintenance schedule for 2013. The cat's eyes on the B1430 at Normanby had been replaced. She advised there was still a problem with the collection of the refuse bins on the High Street and in Normanby and she would investigate. All other items were on the full council agenda for discussion.

156. Apologies for absence were received.**157. Declaration of Interest – Code of Conduct adopted by this Council**

(a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

(b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

Personal interest as a member and trustee of the Village Hall Committee: Cllr DJ Faulks, Cllr AM Croft and Mrs J Harrison

Personal interests as a member of Burton Playing Field Association: Cllr Mrs A Bradley

Burton Upon Stather Burial Ground: Cllr Mrs A Bradley, Cllr RW Harris

Personal interests as a member of Thealby Playing Field Association: Cllr M Peace

Personal interest as a member of the Website Committee: Cllr C Allison

Personal interest Item 168 in the minutes: Mrs EM Whittaker

158. Minutes of the last full Council meeting held on Monday 14 January 2013 and the Special Meeting held on Monday 21 January 2013 as circulated were signed as a true record.**159. Kingsferry Wharf**

There were no further queries or comments following the report from Mr Smith.

160. Burton Upon Stather Playing Field Association

It was reported that the pitch was in good condition. A photo shoot is to be held by the Scunthorpe Telegraph to promote the grant received from North Lincolnshire Council and the Mayor of Scunthorpe will be invited to attend. The BMX Group has approached residents living close to the site advising them of the proposals to replace the tennis court with a BMX/Skate Board Park. A Planning Application is to be submitted to North Lincolnshire Council.

RESOLVED: Councillors voted the planning application for the BMX/Skate Board Park would be submitted in the name of the Parish Council.

161. Burton Upon Stather Parish Burial Ground

There are no items to report.

162. Burton Upon Stather Village Hall

Jotun Paints are to decorate the main hall during the last week of March 2013. They will supply the paint and volunteers. They have completed a Health and Safety Check and will also supervise the work.

163. Burton Upon Stather Parish Council Website

The Web Master submitted the last 3 month statistics to the site. The average was 135 visits per day, 4k per month. He also gave details of the top 10 pages.

164. Police Matters and Safe Neighbourhoods

Details of a car driver acting suspiciously at the entrance to Vicarage Crescent/Darby Road had been reported to the police and an incident number obtained. A report was also received following diesel theft from vehicles and horseboxes in Alkborough and Whitton.

165. Highway Repairs or Faults

(a) Normanby Road, Thealby

Ward Cllr Mrs Marper advised a new weight limit is to be imposed but no date was quoted.

(b) Burton Road, Thealby

North Lincolnshire Council advise they are in the preliminary design stage of the installation of new gullies and surface water draining with further discussions taking place w/c 18 February 2013.

(c) Blocked Drain, junction of Thealby Lane/Coleby Road

North Lincolnshire Council and landowner continue to monitor the location for any build-up of material.

(d) Wood Hill, Burton Upon Stather

North Lincolnshire Council to begin investigations 12 February 2013 to ascertain the cause of the grey water seeping from the drain.

(e) Footpath, Top of Stather Hill, Burton Upon Stather

North Lincolnshire Council advised topographic survey of the area is ongoing and they are to request a soil survey on the soil bank to provide data for the design process.

(f) Drain, Stather Hill, Burton Upon Stather

North Lincolnshire Council and Severn Trent are unable to commence investigations/repairs until the water level has receded.

(g) 32 Stather Hill, Burton Upon Stather

North Lincolnshire Council Legal Department is to establish contact with the owner of the property to rectify the problems. NLC is unable to investigate the site until the water level drops.

(h) Wiltshire Avenue/Darby Road signage, Burton Upon Stather

The new sign has been received and will be erected in the near future.

(i) Pavements in Burton Upon Stather

Councillors reported areas of the footpath on the High Street and Normanby Road that were badly pitted and uneven.

RESOLVED: To report to North Lincolnshire Council.

(j) Chafer Lane, Burton Upon Stather

A report is awaited from Severn Trent.

(k) Sign to car park and de-restriction sign at Normanby Hall

RESOLVED: To report to North Lincolnshire Council.

(l) Damage to wall, Normanby Hall

RESOLVED: To request repair.

166. Police and Crime Plan

An enquiry was received from VANL asking if the councillors wished to take part and comment on the Police and Crime Plan.

RESOLVED: Not to take part or comment on the first draft of the plan.

167. Winter Service Review 2012/13

The meeting was advised that North Lincolnshire Council was regularly checking and filling the yellow salt boxes. The Parish Council is responsible for the green salt bins. These are also being checked and filled on a regular basis. It was suggested that salt was being removed for personal use and therefore hasps and combination locks should be placed on the green bins.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed to the purchase and fitting of hasps and combination locks on the green bins.

167. Winter Service Review 2012/13 (continued)

The pavement on Norfolk Avenue between the High Street and the surgery was considered a concern in the bad weather and it was suggested that consideration should be given to retaining a salt box at this site.

It was suggested that a spreader could be purchased to assist in spreading the salt and that this should be discussed at a meeting later in the year.

Due to bad weather the Christmas Carol Singing had been held in the Village Hall. However, discussions have taken place with St Andrew's PCC who have agreed the carol singing may take place outside St Andrew's Church if the weather is fine or inside if it is poor.

168. East Riding Pension Fund

Cllr Mrs EM Whittaker left the meeting

The East Riding Pension Fund informed the Parish Council they were required to agree new policy, Regulation 30A, Choice of early payment of pension: pensioner member with deferred benefits.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed the policy decision should be 'Each case will be looked at on an individual basis however in order for approval to be given, it must be in the interest and operational requirements of the council. '

Cllr Mrs EM Whittaker returned to the meeting.

169. ERNLLCA 2013 SPRING CONFERENCE – FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2013

Councillors were asked if they wished to attend the Spring Conference.

RESOLVED: No councillors wished to attend.

170. Parish Office

The meeting was advised the Village Hall Committee did not wish to display the photographs of the past chairman of the Parish Council in the Village Hall. A suggestion however was received to scan and display these on the website with the photographs to then be placed in an album and this was agreed.

Three quotations to replace the external door of the parish office were obtained: £515.00, £570.00, £680.00. Under the Article 4 direction, as the door is not highly visible, North Lincolnshire Council has confirmed that a UPVC door may substitute the existing door but this should be in brown UPVC.

RESOLVED: Councillors voted to accept a quotation for a brown UPVC door to NS Services at a cost of £515.00.

171. Planning

Planning applications submitted to North Lincolnshire Council and passed to Burton upon Stather Parish Council for comments:

PA/2013/0027	Planning permission to erect a front and rear single storey extension
Location:	22 Norfolk Avenue, Burton Upon Stather
Applicant:	Mr & Mrs R Sumpter

RESOLVED: No objection or comment.

171. Planning (continued)

PA/2013/0084 Planning permission to erect a toilet block
Location: Trentside Fishery, Chafer Lane, Burton Upon Stather
Applicant: Mr T Booth

RESOLVED: The Parish Council supports the application as it considers the toilet block to be an essential amenity.

172. Finance

- i. **RESOLVED:** The Parish Councillors agreed the Income and Expenditure for January.
- ii. **RESOLVED:** The Parish Councillors agreed the Payment of Accounts and Receipt of Payments for January – see Appendix 1.
RESOLVED: The payment of salaries and contractual commitments in the sum of £652.79 for the month of January (paid February). PAYE, National Insurance and Pension contributions total £468.64 for the month of January (paid February). This amount includes payments deducted from clerks' salaries and parish council contributions.
Invoices paid £500 and over:
February:
Public Works Loan Board: £1,273.87, PFA car park loan.
- iii. To transfer funds from Savings Account to Current Account
RESOLVED: To transfer £10k from Savings Account to Current Account.