

BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes 12 September 2016

7.15 – 7.30 Public Participation Session and Ward Councillors' Report.

Members of the Public present: 4

At 7.15 Cllr Allison welcomed those present and invited contributions. Ward Cllr Ogg gave an update on North Lincs. Council's (NLC) actions on the School Safety Zone. He shared copies of the proposed plan to replace the current white hatchings at the junction of the Avenue and Flixborough Road with double yellow lines since the hatchings are not enforceable. He had been advised both that school bus will still be allowed to set down outside the school and that the yellow lines would be actively enforced. A member of the public queried the lawful ability for the school bus to drop off on double yellow lines: Cllr Ogg agreed to seek further reassurance and report back.

A member of the public requested that the Parish Council's position in relation to the School Travel Plan should be clarified as the issue may have arisen whilst the Parish Council was without a Clerk. It was agreed this would be looked into.

A member of the public present at the 5 September Playing Fields Association's (PFA) open meeting about possible improvement options from NLC's grant congratulated and thanked those responsible on an excellent presentation and well run event. Cllr Ogg added that, following on the event, the next joint progress meeting between representatives of the PFA, Parish and Ward Councillors and the Bowls Club will take place at 5.30 on 20 September at the Pavilion.

Cllr Marper reported that the footpath on Stather Hill is presently being cleared, prior to an assessment of the scale and nature of works required: this is likely to be carried out in the next two or three days.

Cllr Marper also reported that potential sites are being reviewed to reinstate a post box in Burton Stather.

Cllr Allison thanked attendees for their contributions and closed the session at 7.30. Three members of the public left the meeting.

Cllr Allison opened the Parish Council meeting at 7.30

Present: Cllrs Craig Allison (Chair), Peter Bell, Ann Croft, Cathy Harber, David Faulks, Michael Peace, Penny Pringle, Emma Whittaker.

Apologies: Cllrs Bill Johnston, Noel Thornes

In attendance: Ward Cllrs Elaine Marper, Ralph Ogg, Parish Clerk Kath Jones

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:

Personal interest declared as a member of the Burial Grounds Committee
Cllrs Allison, Faulks, Harber, Pringle;

as Committee members of Burton Playing Field Association: Cllr sHarber and Whittaker;

as members of the Village Hall Committee: Cllrs Croft, Faulks, Harber and Johnson;

as a member of the Thealby Play Area Committee: Cllr s Allison, Croft and Peace.

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 11 July, previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record. Moved Cllr Faulks, Seconded Cllr Peace.

50.16 Reports were received from:

- a. Burton Paving Fields Association. Cllr Whittaker reported that all the football pitches now meet Football Association standards. Work will start on the new Play Area on 26 September. In terms of possible expenditure of the NLC grant, there have been considerable variances in quotes for work. The PFA are keeping this under active review as options are explored.
- b. Village Hall Committee. Cllr Croft reported that there had been a minor accident involving a Hall user and fire curtains had been damaged as a result. Ballroom dancing sessions will recommence on Thursday 15 September.
- c. Thealby Play Area. Cllr Peace reported that the new gate has now been put in. He noted that present standards of grass cutting at the Area are less than satisfactory. This tallies with other concerns about grounds maintenance standards and contracting arrangements which need review at October's meeting.
- d. Burial Grounds Committee. As the Committee had not met, Cllr Faulks had nothing to report.
- e. Police Matters and Safer Neighbourhoods/Neighbourhood Action Teams. In Cllr Thornes' absence, no report was made. Cllr Allison closed the meeting to allow Cllr Marper to inform the meeting that there have been a series of thefts of car keys, followed days later by theft of the vehicle and advise increased community vigilance. Cllr Allison reopened the meeting.

51.16 Progress on Highways Repair and Other Issues:

- a. Footpath, Burton Stather Hill. Councillors felt this had been adequately discussed in the Public Participation Session. Other footpath issues including the overgrown trees on the path from Thealby Lane and Burton to Normanby Park were noted. The bench on Glebe Paddock also needs refurbishment work.
- b. Traffic movement through Thealby. Cllr Peace reported that the situation remained unsatisfactory. A review of weight restriction limits has been carried out by NLC

and Cllr Marper will copy the report to the Clerk for further circulation. Attention was also drawn to NLC's Lorry Watch scheme.

- c. School Safety Zone, Burton Stather. This had been adequately discussed in the Public Participation Session.
- d. Dog fouling, Normanby bus stop. The Clerk reported that North Lincs. Council's Dog wardens have advised that, provided dog waste is properly bagged, a general litter bin can be used for its disposal so offence has been committed.
- e. Erection of bench seat between the Brick Ponds and the end of Grays Lane. The Clerk reported that NLC's Planning department have advised that, if the Parish Council owns the site in question, it may erect a bench. If it has maintained the site in question as an agent, it may erect a bench provided it notifies the owner. If neither is the case, as seems to be the position, the Parish Council needs to apply for planning permission. Before enquiries are made of the Environment Agency as another interested party, Cllr Allison will ask the proposers for a formal request for a bench.

52.16 Parish Newsletter Cllr Croft's resignation as Editor noted and Cllr Allison thanked her for fulfilling a difficult role. He advised the meeting that Cllr Johnston was willing to pick up the role, possibly with the assistance of another member.

53.16 Removal of Post Box from Burton Upon Stather Conservation Area This had been adequately discussed in the Public Participation Session.

54.16 Planning Application Reference PA/2016/1336 was considered and no comments or objections were made

Councillor Allison closed the meeting for discussion of the Finance items. Cllrs Ogg and Marper and one member of the public left the meeting.

55.16 Finance

- a. Payment of Accounts and Receipt of Payments 12 July to 12 September, were approved. Moved by Cllr Bell, Seconded by Cllr Croft. Payments over £500: Pitchworks £1,110.00, TG Sowerby £879.33, BUS Village Hall £2,500, Public Works Loan Board £1273.87.
- b. New Financial Regulations based on the National Association of Local Council's Model Regulations of May 2016, as amended in debate, were adopted. Moved by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Peace.

Cllr Allison closed the meeting at 9.30