

## ROXBY CUM RISBY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8 MARCH 2017 AT 7.15 PM IN THE METHODIST SCHOOLROOM

#### PRESENT

T Jackson (Chairman), C Hodge (Vice-Chair), M Prior, S Smaza, C Webster  
Ward Councillors I Glover, H Mumby-Croft

Also in attendance:  
Parish Clerk J Curtis

#### 15/17 APOLOGIES

P Farmery, R Lockwood

#### 16/17 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No interests declared.

#### 17/17 TO RESOLVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 11 January 2017 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**Proposed: C Hodge**

**Seconded: C Webster**

#### 18/17 MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED BY AGENDA

- i) The hedge at 53a North Street had still not been cut.  
Action: The clerk would write again to Jack Cooper, Assistant Land Agent, Balfours LLP to ask for it to be cut.
- ii) The clerk had received an email from Gill Powell at North Lincs Council inviting a representative from each Town and Parish Council to a Winter Service Review Day to be held 6 June at Normanby Hall to discuss current policies and procedures and compliance with the revised National Code of Practice.  
Action: to be discussed at the next meeting
- iii) The clerk had received an email from Winterton Town Council regarding the 2018 Centenary Celebrations asking if we would like to be involved. The next meeting is being held 25 April at 10.30 am at Winterton Council Offices. CW agreed to attend as the representative for Roxby PC.

#### 19/17 PARKING ON GRASS VERGES

The same residents on North Street were still parking on grass verges. The grass was now all churned up. Councillors reported other areas in the village where vehicles were being parked on grass verges, including in front of the Barns. HMC reported that many parishes were having the same problems and a Conservative group at North Lincolnshire Council had been formed to deal with these issues. She would write immediately to request if Roxby Parish Council could be added to the list.

#### 20/17 DOGFOULING

CH said she was still cleaning up after other dog walkers. Some residents were using the bins to dispose of bulk waste from their dogs instead of using their dustbins causing the bins to overflow. The clerk would write to Mark Thornborough to request another dog waste bin to be sited near the noticeboard outside the Methodist church on South Street. The clerk would also enquire if the small bin on North Street could be replaced with a bigger bin.

### **21/17 VILLAGE IMAGE**

- i) CW put forward a proposal for the windows on the old carpenter's shop to be boarded up and possibly have murals painted on them. The clerk was asked to write to Jack Cooper the assistant land agent for Balfours requesting permission to do so.
- ii) CH said that it had been problematic getting planters with reservoirs low enough to fit under the Roxby signs so no progress had been made. After discussion on various options CH said she would continue to look for alternatives.
- iii) Councillors were looking into whether there were any alternative ideas and suggestions which could benefit the whole village.
- iv) The chairman asked the ward councillors if there was any funding for village projects available from NLC for next year. Cllr I Glover confirmed there was.

### **22/17 LANDFILL SITE**

- i) TJ and CW attended the liaison meeting on 25 January. There had been fewer smells reported but CH said that there had been some bad smells recently. TJ said that they had warned of some maintenance work to be carried out which might cause some smells at this time. The NLC contract was still going into the site until at least end of April. There was one train of 1000 tons of inert waste going in every week. There would be 4000 bales of tyres going in by road to form a boundary around the next cell.
- ii) Daniel Hollingsworth had offered a site visit to councillors. TJ said he would organise this for sometime in July.

### **23/17 PLAYING FIELD**

CW had received the cheque for £200 from Biffa and had ordered the two seats for the cradle swings, which had arrived. CW and RL would fit them.

### **24/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- (i) Application No: PA/2016/1929 – approved
- (ii) Application No: PA/2016/1927 – approved
- (iii) Application No: PA/2016/1827 – approved

### **25/17 CORRESPONDENCE**

- i) The PC decided against entering the Best Kept Village competition 2017
- ii) Councillors decided not to take up the Barton Mowing quotation for tree surgery of £425 plus VAT to remove an ash tree from the hedge in the playground.
- iii) TJ read out a letter from R O'Brien, a resident on North Street requesting permission for visitors attending a birthday party to use the playing field as a campsite on 9 and 10 June. Discussion took place and it was confirmed that they couldn't close the park to others. The clerk would check with Aon Insurance whether the PC would be liable in the case of theft or accidents.

### **26/17 REPORTS**

- i) **Clerk**  
The clerk had enquired about the Code of Conduct booklet with no success. Councillors confirmed there was a Good Councillors Guide, which could be obtained from N Lincs. Council.

ii) **Parish Councillors**

- CH mentioned the rubbish on A1077. Both the clerk and the chairman's wife had written to NLC but nothing had been done.
- TJ mentioned that the fencing on the corner on A1077 had not been repaired. Also, the path from the same corner up to Alps college was treacherous and needed repairing urgently as it was almost impossible to walk on it. The clerk would send an email to HMC.

i) **Ward Councillors**

- Cllr IG reported £200K had been allocated in the budget to repair footpaths and roads in Roxby Parish. For example, Risby Road was earmarked to have the road markings at the junction with the main road redone. Cllr IG said there had been 4 minor accidents there in the past.
- Various pothole sites were mentioned, in particular some large potholes had appeared on Roxby causeway. The clerk would write to Mark Thornborough requesting repairs.

**27/17 FINANCE REPORT**

The finance report was tabled and accepted

**Community Account:** Balance as at 28 February 2017 £3496.47

**Business Money Manager:** Balance as at 28 February 2017 £12003.56

Total balances as at 28 February 2017 £15500.03

**PAYMENTS**

The following cheques were presented at this month's meeting for payment.

<b>Cheque No.</b>		<b>£</b>	
101154	Mrs J Curtis	217.74	Salary January and February 2017
101154	Mrs J Curtis	20.00	Expenses – telephone
101155	HMRC	27.20	Employee tax January 2017
101156	HMRC	27.20	Employee tax February 2017
101157	Mr S Hind	148.00	honarium Clock winder
101158	Mrs L Webster	140.00	honarium Bus shelter cleaner
101159	Mrs Barley	131.00	honarium Play area supervisor
101160	G B Sports and Leisure	246.00	seats for playground

**Proposed: S Smaza**

**Seconded: C Hodge**

i) **Village Hall fund**

The clerk had asked the bank to change the name of the business money manager account to Village Hall Purchase but the bank could not do it. The Chairman proposed that for the purpose of the minutes the account would be known as the Business Money Manager Account Village Hall Fund. The Parish Council would transfer £1000 each year to this account to build up the fund for the possible purchase of the Methodist Church. The build-up of funds should help when applying for grants.

ii) **Internal Auditor**

The Chairman suggested appointing Brian Brooks again to audit the 2016/2017 accounts. All councillors agreed. The clerk would contact him to set a date.

**Proposed: S Smaza**

**Seconded: C Hodge**

- iii) The Chairman spoke about low attendance levels and the advertising of the Annual Parish meeting on 19 April 2017. It was decided to put the agenda notice on the website and the noticeboards in Roxby and Dragonby villages.

**28/17 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**

- i) Parking on grass verges
- ii) Dog fouling
- iii) Village image
- iv) Landfill site
- v) Playing field
- vi) Planning applications
- vii) Finance report
- viii) Emergency Plan

**MEETING CLOSED 8.06 pm**

Date of Annual Parish meeting 19 April 2017 at 7.15 pm

Date of Annual Parish Council meeting Wednesday 10 May 2017 at 7.15 pm.