## **ROXBY CUM RISBY PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 JANUARY AT 7.00PM ONLINE VIA MS TEAMS

#### **01/21 PRESENT**

Parish Councillors: S Smaza (Chairman), C Webster, Vice-Chairman, P Dodds, M Earp, P Farmery,

M Verran,

Ward Councillor: R Waltham

Parish Clerk: J Curtis

#### 02/21 APOLOGIES

Parish Councillor R Lockwood

## 03/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

S Smaza - village hall trustee

## 04/21 TO RESOLVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**RESOLVED**: The minutes of the meeting held 23 September 2020 were accepted as a true record. Proposed: C Webster Seconded: S Smaza

#### 05/21 MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA

CW put forward a proposal to erect a solar powered wall plaque depicting a WW1 soldier on the church wall near the War Memorial. The Parish council would need to apply for a covenant to do it and apply for planning permission from Norths Lincs Council.

All councillors agreed to the proposal.

## 06/21 PARKING ON GRASS VERGES/PAVEMENTS

There had been a problem with workmen parking outside 9 North Street and blocking the pavement. They had been spoken to and hadn't done it since.

## 07/21 DOGFOULING

<u>Roxby</u>: A resident on North Street had spoken to PF about her neighbours on both sides letting their dogs mess on the grass verge outside her house and leaving it. PF offered to do a leaflet drop.

The signs on the dog bins had come off. RW said he would put some more on the bins and secure them better. Someone was still driving into the village and disposing of carrier bags full of dog waste in the dog bins.

## **08/21 VILLAGE IMAGE**

<u>Spring in Bloom</u> The clerk had obtained quotes from two companies, Woodblocx and Silica Lodge. They had been submitted to North Lincs Council. She was awaiting a decision.

<u>Dragonby bench</u> PD confirmed the bench had arrived. He was self-isolating at present but would arrange fitting as soon as he was able.

## 09/21 LANDFILL SITE

PF and CW would be attending an online meeting 6 February. CW had spoken to James Harrison who assured him that a cheque for £250 was forthcoming towards the cost of purchasing the Dragonby bench.

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## **10/21 PLAYING FIELD**

It was a condition of the church covenant that the playground must shut for one day each year. It would therefore be closed on 1 February 2021. CW would close it on 31 January and reopen it on 2 February. He would put a notice on the gate to that effect.

SS and Julie Reed were arranging to be meet at the playground soon to establish what the requirements were to update it and whether there was any funding available to make the changes.

ME regularly checked the playground and tidied it up. There had been a lot of mess left after a recent funeral but it was a one-off incident and things had settled down.

ME informed members that he had found a black bin bag of rubbish on Brackenholmes Lane. PF had also bagged up a lot of takeaway rubbish from round the duckpond. RW said he could supply some special red bags for litter picking, which could be put out with the bins for collection. He would send them to ME and PF.

## 11/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

All planning applications received had been emailed to councillors for their comments and submitted to the planning department.

- PA/2020/1422: Planning Application at 36 The Old Hall, North Street, Roxby, DN15 0BL OUTLINE PERMISSION GRANTED
- PA/2020/1569: Planning Application at The Old Vicarage, 27 South Street, Roxby, DN15 0BP TPO CONSENT GRANTED
- PA/2020/1669: Planning Application at Roxby Lodge, 44 South Street, Roxby, SCUNTHORPE, DN15 0BP FULL PLANNING WITH CONDITIONS
- PA/2020/1946: Planning Application at 31 North Street, Roxby, DN15 0BL NOT YET DETERMINED
- PA/2020/1994: Planning Application at The Linhay, Old Barn Lane, Roxby, DN15 0DJ NOT YET DETERMINED

#### **12/21 ROADS**

<u>Pot holes</u> There was a large pot hole outside 22 South Street where two driveways meet. When it rained it filled up with water and was becoming dangerous.

RW reported he had gone round the village delivering the In Touch leaflet after Christmas and subsequently reported quite a few but he had missed that one. He would get it reported.

CW reported there were quite a few developing on the A1077 between Roxby and Winterton. RW would follow it up.

# 13/21 LAND AND TREE OUTSIDE THE METHODIST CHAPEL

There had been little movement since the last meeting. Item to remain on agenda until the sale of the chapel had been completed, at which point who actually owned the land would be revealed. SS would check with Terry Jackson.

#### 14/21 WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

The clerk had set up a Facebook page for Roxby but that was all. It needed to be designed and moderators set. Once face to face meetings could be held again, they could get together and progress it.

The Chairman said he would be writing his report shortly. He would incorporate a piece about the impact of Covid on the community and also dog fouling which was a continuing problem in Roxby. It was suggested putting a frontpage article about dog fouling on the website. the clerk would arrange this. The clerk informed councillors she would not be producing a newsletter this year as there had been little activity since the last newsletter in 2020.

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#### 15/21 CORRESPONDENCE

- The clerk had received correspondence from the Broxap Group who specialise in outdoor gyms. She asked if this would be of interest when seeking grants to update the playground and would keep their details on file.
- Cedarwood gardening firm based in Whitby had emailed. They asked to be considered to quote when the grass cutting contract was due for renewal.

## **16/21 FLOODING IN ROXBY UPDATE**

- The feasibility and detailed study works were now complete. A few more questions had been generated, which were being checked out. The report was being prepared ready for publication. Another online meeting was scheduled for end of February. As a result of the study all planning applications for Roxby were now checked for potential flood risks in the village.
- There was a lot of standing water at Cringlebeck due to the water table being high and the drainage ditch was full.

# **17/21 REPORTS**

i) Clerk

Covered under agenda items.

## ii) Parish Councillors

ME had given the noticeboard on North Street 3 coats of varnish and intended doing the same to the notice board on South Street when the weather improved.

## iii) Ward Councillor - R Waltham

<u>Covid vaccinations</u> There was only 10% left of over 70s left to vaccinate and all should have received the vaccine by 15 February. The next target was to vaccinate all 50 to 70-year-olds by end of March.

<u>Local Plan</u> The new local plan was due for consultation by end of February. No land allocations for Roxby to speak of but the old quarry site was coming to the end of its life cycle in approximately 2 to 3 years and was allocated to become a nature reserve, as promised.

<u>Dog fouling</u> It was intended to increase the fines for dog mess. RW had some hardhitting leaflets about costs and the fining regime. When delivering leaflets was permitted again, he would arrange for them to be delivered.

Spring in Bloom He would look out for our bid.

<u>Improved broadband</u> He had met with Andrew Percy, BT Openreach and a few other providers about a commitment to improving broadband in Roxby and especially Dragonby. He would keep us posted on progress.

<u>Grants</u> As part of the grant process NLC had sent out a letter about the devolution element, e.g. grass cutting. NLC were looking at other areas where funds could be devolved through grants to town and parish councils for them to better manage services locally.

Potholes RW would report the potholes on the A1077 and outside 22 South Street.

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<u>Grass verges</u> RW confirmed it was an enforceable offence to park on ornamental grass verges. He asked to be contacted if there were problems with parking in the future. Offenders would be visited and given a verbal warning. If they persisted then a £50 fine would be issued. This approach had proved to be effective in other towns and parishes

<u>Elections</u> The ward elections were due in May. RW was happy to continue as ward councillor until then.

## **18/21 FINANCE REPORT**

i) To receive updates regarding finance and agree payments.

## **ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

**Community Account** 

Balance as at 31 December 2020: £6839.65

**Business Money Manager** 

Balance as at 31 December 2020: 4040.71
Total balances as at 31 December 2020: £10880.36

The net balances reconcile to the receipts and payments ledger, as follows

## **Community Account**

Opening balance 1 November 2020	£9030.40
Add receipts: VAT refund	£454.11
Less payments by cheque:	£2644.86
Closing balance as at 31 December 2020	£6839.65

## **Business Money Manager**

Opening balance 1 November 2020	£4040.61
Add receipts:	£0.10
Closing balance as at 31 December 2020	£4040.71

# **PAYMENTS**

Cheque No.

The following cheques were approved and signed for payment.

101347	Barton Mowing	180.00	grass cuts – invoice 3355	PAID
101348	NBB	498.00	Bench for Dragonby quote 130363	PAID
101349	<b>Kyanite Consulting</b>	147.16	annual maintenance & hosting package 2021/22	PAID
101350	Glendale	108.00	grass cutting September invoice 2697	PAID
101351	Barton Mowing 1	00.800	November grass cut and hedge cut inv. 3415	PAID
101352	VANL	20.00	Membership 2020/2021	
101353	VANL	15.00	Q3 payroll charges Oct to Dec 2020	

101354 Kyanite Consulting 24.00 Website December Biffa update invoice 6756

101355 J Curtis 330.47 Net salary for Nov and Dec 2020 inc WFH allowance

101356 HMRC 37.80 Income tax November 2020 101357 HMRC 32.00 Income tax December 2020

Approved: PF Seconded: ME

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## ii) Precept

RESOLUTION: The clerk had sent the precept figures to councillors prior to the meeting. She proposed to keep the precept at £6000. The bank balance was healthy and didn't feel it was necessary to increase the amount.

RESOLVED: All councillors approved the decision.

## iii) Online banking

The clerk put forward a business case for online banking. Due to Covid restrictions and meetings being held online, it was proving to be a problem getting cheques signed. Most payments were preapproved regular payments and it would mean that payments could be made within the supplier's 28-day period instead of bi-monthly as at present. All Councillors approved the proposal. The clerk would proceed with the application.

## 19/21 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE MARCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

- i) Dog fouling
- ii) Village image:
  - i. Roxby
  - ii. Dragonby
- iii) Media: Website/Facebook
- iv) Landfill site
- v) Playing field
- vi) Planning applications
- vii) Roads
- viii) Finance report
- ix) Online Banking

#### **MEETING CLOSED 8.27 pm**

Date of the next parish council meeting Wednesday 10 March 2021 at 7.00 pm. RW would set up an online MS Teams meeting.

Signed Chairman	Date