

# SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Grantham, Lincolnshire

Chairman: Graham Page Vice-Chairman: Richard Wrigley

Councillors: Neville Clark, Francis Disney, Stuart Millington, Anita Sheehan.

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at Skillington Village Hall on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 at 7.55pm.**

**Present:** Cllr G. Page (Chairman), Cllrs N. Clark, F. Disney, S. Millington, A. Sheehan and R Wrigley

**In attendance:** Cllr Bob Adams (LCC & SKDC, Cllr Andrea Webster (SKDC) and Mrs V. Page (Parish Clerk)

**1. Apologies for absence:** none

**2. Notes of the Parish Council Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017** were agreed and signed into Minutes

**3. Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** none

**4. Matters arising from the minutes:**

- 4.1. 13.5/12.1 Neighbourhood Plan – SKDC consultation in progress; closes 14.4.17. NP Steering Group has approved SKDC's recommendation for Independent Examiner.
- 4.2. 16.10/11.4 Casual Vacancy on Parish Council: a possible candidate for co-option has been approached and will meet with the Chairman next week.
- 4.3. 16.12/8.7 Retirement of Parish Clerk: no applications to fill this role have been received.
- 4.4. 16.10/11.2 Hedge on corner of Grantham Road: the height of the hedge has still not been reduced. It was noted that the hedge cannot be cut now until the Autumn, also that the property is on the market.
- 4.5. 17.2/8.3 Paddock Hedge: Cllr Sheehan reported that she had been informed that the area was left uncut due to a tree growing there. Further work cannot be carried out until the Autumn. The Chairman will contact the tenants of the paddock.
- 4.6. 17.3/11.1 Surface water in Sproxton Road/Back Lane & flooding in garden in Fishwell Close: has been reported to LCC Highways again, has been on-going since Village Walkabout in October 2013; Anglian Water have reported that water in garden in Fishwell Close is not chlorinated and therefore not from any of their pipes. The Clerk to forward all the records on this to Cllr Webster for her to follow up.

**5. Planning applications:**

- 5.1. S17/0205 & 0206 Mr S. Coleman- The Abbey, Park Lane: internal and external alterations to listed building including new and replacement windows and doors, removal and insertion of internal walls, landscaping and patio. *Planning Committee's comments sent to SKDC. Pending consideration by SKDC*

**6. Cemetery:**

6.1. Maintenance:

- 6.1.1. Shed roof: certificate of safe disposal now received; work on replacement roof should be carried out during weekend of 8/9<sup>th</sup> April.
- 6.1.2. Unstable headstones: the Clerk has been contacted by eight of the families concerned. Two of the unstable memorials have already been removed by Linnells; one has been laid flat as an interim measure. No contact has been received from three of the families contacted; the Clerk will write a follow up letter. A next-of-kin for John Henry Bradley is still being sought.

**7. Payments and Accounts:**

7.1. Bank Balances at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017:

7.1.1. Yorkshire Bank a/c: £3,967.64

7.1.1.1. *Uncleared cheque: YB038 SKDC, St James's Green Bin £33.00; YB041 Groundwork, NP Grant repayment £1,995.60.*

7.1.1.2. *Unpaid invoices: 16/011 4.1.17 LCC, Parish Grass Cutting £577.71; 200629 27.1.17 G.H. Linnell, additional inscription on existing kerb £35.00*

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

- 7.1.2. *HSBC Community a/c: £0*
- 7.2. *Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c £12,953.39 including £196.76 Interest paid 31.3.17.*
- 7.3. The unaudited Accounts for the year to 31.3.17 were presented.
- 7.4. Payments received in March: none
- 7.5. Cheque signed between meetings: reimbursement of un-used Neighbourhood Watch Grant – Groundwork UK £1,995.60 signed by Chairman & Vice-Chairman on 22.3.17.
- 7.6. Invoices for payment in April: cheques signed by the Vice-Chairman, Cllr Wrigley and Cllr Sheehan

<b>Date of Invoice</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Date &amp; Minute No. of Approval</b>	<b>Net Amount £</b>	<b>VAT £</b>	<b>Total Amount £</b>
21.3.17	Lucion Environmental	Removal and disposal of asbestos shed roof	6.2.17 Page 2147 Item 6.1.4	550.00	110.00	660.00
1.4.17	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: March 2017 (including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6.	115.46		115.46
31.3.17	Mrs V. Page	Clerk's Salary & Expenses Jan-Mar 17	2.5.15 Page 2098 Item 4.5 and 4.4.16 Page 2128 Item 8.6	668.55	3.99	672.54

#### **8. Clerk's Report:**

- 8.1. Cemetery records for western, 'Chapel', side of the Cemetery have now been completed. Copy delivered to Dennis Meads for comment and reference/storage.
- 8.2. LALC Newsletter: it was agreed that the Council would receive an electronic version.

#### **9. Matters to be discussed at this meeting: no new matters arising**

#### **10. District and County Councillor's Reports:** Cllr Adams briefed the Council on LCC and SKDC matters.

#### **11. Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman:**

- 11.1. Cllr Disney reported that a load of fibreglass insulation has been dumped in Park Lane. He will report it on the SKDC website.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

**The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.30pm on WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 at Skillington Village Hall**

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....