

## SKILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Grantham, Lincolnshire

**Chairman:** Richard Wrigley **Vice-Chairman:** Andy Bunce  
**Councillors:** Steph Burrows, Neville Clark, Francis Disney, Rory Grindey, Stuart Millington.  
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Notes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at Skillington Village Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm.  
**Please note: These minutes are published in draft form and are subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Council.**

**Present:** Cllr. R. Wrigley (Chairman), Cllrs. A. Bunce, S. Millington, N. Clark and R Grindey.

**In Attendance:** Cllr. B. Adams (LCC and SKDC), Mrs. P. Harrison (Clerk).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. F. Disney, S. Burrows and D. Bellamy (SKDC), PCSO Bowden.
2. **Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020** were agreed and signed into minutes.
3. **Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** None.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**
  - 4.1 18.11/9.6 Blocked drains: Cllr Clark will look into digging out the entrance of Mr Murdoch's field, on the Cemetery side of the road, once the present water has subsided. The Clerk has had no response from LCC, which has been contacted regarding how this ditch was re-instated. It was hoped that LCC would require the contractor to dig it out again, to a proper depth. Cllr. Adams agreed to chase this up.
  - 4.2 19.12/8.1 Cars parking at the Bus Stop: A sign has been produced which will be laminated and installed. Cllr. Wrigley has informed the bus driver of recent discussions and the imminent sign.
5. **Planning applications:**
  - 5.1 S19/1346 Western Power Distribution (East Midlands) PLC, Land south of Skillington: *Installation of new 33KV overhead lines consisting of 3 conductors on wooden poles.* Pending decision by SKDC.
  - 5.2 S20/0132 Mineral Site: Revisions to S19/2237 Proposed Skillington Quarry. Mr J Spencer: land to the east and west of Skillington Road, Colsterworth.
  - 5.3 S20/0202 Mrs B Townsley, Rushlea, Back Lane, Skillington: to fell a 30' conifer Leylandii Cyprus, which is very close to the boundary and is beginning to push against the neighbour's fence. The tree is of very low amenity. Pending consideration.
  - 5.4 Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
6. **Cemetery:**
  - 6.1 Cllr. Wrigley and the Clerk will meet to measure out how many plots are currently remaining.
  - 6.2 Cemetery charges. It was agreed that there should be no increase for 2020.
  - 6.3 Any maintenance or other matters arising: None.
7. **Payments and Accounts:**
  - 7.1 Bank Balances at 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020:
    - 7.1.1 Yorkshire Bank a/c: £3018.86 after invoices paid.
    - 7.1.2 Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £12733.35
  - 7.2 Income received in February:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
01.02.20	R. Holland Funeral Directors	Purchase of 2 single depth plots for J M & R Barker plus fee for right of burial	Invoice 200651	£710.00

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....

03.02.20	I and R Bowen	Paddock rental	Quarterly rent	£125.00
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## 7.3 Invoices due for payment in February.

Date of Payment	Name	Details	Date & Minute No. of Approval	Net Amount £	VAT £	Total Amount £
29.02.20	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: February 2209 (including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	131.11		131.11
29.02.20	LALC	Annual Subscription	As per budget	136.49		136.49
29.02.20	Additions Accountancy Grantham	Fee for half-yearly audit of Parish Council accounts	As per budget	100.00		100.00

Thanks are to be extended to Mrs F Hatchman, for her diligence with our audit.

**8 Clerk's Report:** The Clerk has received the third quote for this season's mowing. This final quote was more expensive than BDG Mowing, therefore it was confirmed that we would continue with BDG Mowing. All parties have been informed.

**9 Matters to be discussed at this meeting:**

- 9.1 Email from G Page regarding M Caxton and Youth Club funds. It was agreed that the Village Hall should be asked to hold these funds for a future Youth Club.
- 9.2 Velo 99 Cycle race – the Parish Council has been sent a comprehensive event safety management plan.
- 9.3 Letter from Gareth Davies MP: The Councillors have been invited to meet the MP. Those attending will state the importance of retaining a bus service and also the concerns over an increase, and lack of action, over fly-tipping.

**10 District and County Councillor's Reports.** Cllr. Adams stated that the LCC budget had been agreed today. There is a problem county wide regarding the state of the roads, including potholes and drains. Balfour Beatty will take over road repairs from April and their monitoring and reporting systems are very impressive.

**11 Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman.** The Parish Council discussed the Neighbourhood Development Plan. It will be reviewed to ascertain if it is still in order.

A request is to be made for a new Village Hall key, as the locks have been changed.

There is still some evidence of the burnt out cars on Buckminster Lane. Despite Cllr. Bunce reporting fly-tipping as it was occurring, along with photos, SKDC showed no enthusiasm to help. It is a concern that, as predicted, when Western Power put down the stone, Buckminster Lane has become more accessible to traffic, thus enabling people to dump rubbish more easily.

**12 The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.**

**It has been requested that the next meeting of the Parish Council will now take place at 7.30pm on Monday 30th March 2020 at Skillington Village Hall.**

Signed: ..... Chairman

Date .....