

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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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held by email on Monday 1st June 2020 at 7.30pm.

Please note: Following the cancellation of actual meetings because of the Coronavirus emergency, meetings will be held by collating emails until further notice. These minutes are published in draft form and are subject to ratification at the next physical meeting of the Council.

Present: All Councillors and Clerk had received briefing notes by email, and had been asked to circulate comments.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. B. Adams and D. Bellamy (SKDC), PCSO Bowden.
- 2. Notes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 4th May 2020** were agreed and signed into minutes.
- 3. Councillors' Declarations of Interest:** Cllr. A. Bunce: 5.4
- 4. Matters arising from the minutes:**
 - 4.1 18.11/9.6 Sproxton Road (south side) ditch: Following correspondence with Cllr. Adams regarding reinstatement of the ditch by Western Power, it is now apparent that the Company regards it has completed the work (although not satisfactorily) and will do no more. The Parish Council will now consider the next course of action. Cllr. Disney will report discussions with Mr Murdoch in due course.
 - 4.2 03.20/4.2 Cllr. Grindey contacted BDG Mowing and the overlooked piece of grass on Buckminster Lane has been cut.
- 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. *Pending consideration.* The report submitted by Colsterworth Parish Council on the revised application is attached. Note that S18/2237 was approved.
 - 5.3 S20/0580 Mr P Crompton, Falcon Clints, Colsterworth Road: Spruce requires felling due to risk of subsidence and its obstructing light into the conservatory of the property. *Work allowed.*
 - 5.4 S20/0638 E Bunce, Old Rectory, Church Street: Installation of 16 x Seraphim 325w all black panels to existing building roof. *Pending consideration.* Cllr. Bunce pointed out that the application should read A. not as on the SKDC form 'Emily'.
 - 5.5 Any late Planning Applications submitted: None.
- 6. Cemetery:**
 - 6.1 Cllr. Disney has reported from his meeting with Mr William Murdoch that he is happy for the PC to take over the land for the proposed extension to the Cemetery in either Autumn 2022 or Autumn 2023. He is expecting this extension to double up the square footage of the existing area and to be directly south of it. He asks that we provide a map and confirm the PC will pay for all legal fees. Cllr. Wrigley will write to this effect (with map), and await written confirmation.
 - 6.1.1 The Clerk will investigate solicitors and obtain an estimate. Cllr. Wrigley will liaise with Cllr. Disney to draw up a schedule of work for the preparation of the land.
 - 6.1.2 The Chair would like to note particular thanks to Mr Murdoch for this generous contribution to village life, and also to Cllr. Disney for his role in liaising with Mr Murdoch.
 - 6.2 Any maintenance or other matters arising: *The grave which had sunk has now been rectified, also re-turfed, thanks to a patch of donated turf.*
- 7. Payments and Accounts:**
 - 7.1 Bank Balances at 25th May 2020:
Yorkshire Bank a/c: £6778.81 after invoices paid.
Melton Mowbray Business 100 Day Notice a/c: balance is £12867.11

Signed: Chairman

Date

7.2 Income received in May:

<i>Date of Receipt</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
01.05.20	HMRC	Reclaim of VAT	Vat reclaim for the year to 31.3.20	13.68
01.05.20	I and R Bowen	Paddock Rent	Quarterly rent	125.00
18.05.20	M Moore Funeral Services	Purchase of plot and fee for burial	Invoice 200653	255.00
18.05.20	Miss I Malcanova	Purchase of burial plot	Invoice 200654	260.00

7.3 Invoices due for payment in May.

<i>Date of Payment</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Date & Minute No. of Approval</i>	<i>Net Amount £</i>	<i>VAT £</i>	<i>Total Amount £</i>
31.05.20	Colsterworth & District Parish Council	Community Cleaner: May 2020 (and increase in wages for April and May) including emptying of 4 dog bins @ £2.50/bin/2 x month	6.10.14 Page 2091 Item 8.6	142.33		142.33
31.05.20	Business services at CAS Ltd	Annual Insurance	As per budget	234.08		234.08
31.05.20	BDG Mowing Contractors	Mowing 2,16 and 28.4 Village £210. LCC 22.4 £80	2.3.20 Page 2224 Item 8.1	290.00		290.00

7.4 Audit for the year ended 31st March 2020. This is currently being undertaken by our Auditor. Accounts will be sent to Councillors on its completion and will be available for July's meeting. They will also be posted on the notice board and the Website.

8 Clerk's Report: The insurance renewal from Community Lincs was for £262.19, a quotation from Community Action Suffolk for £246.40 and a further one would not quote. It was agreed to go with the lowest quote, which also offered a discount for a three-year undertaking.

9 Matters to be discussed at this meeting:

9.1 Skillington Life Website. Paul Parris has refreshed this, and welcomes comments directly.

10 District and County Councillor's Reports. Cllr. Adams informed the Parish Council that all LCC and SKDC meetings had been suspended and therefore nothing to report.

11 Any matters arising at the discretion of the Chairman.

11.1 Neighbourhood Development Plan Review. The Chair is still working on this and will circulate a draft.

11.2 Cllr Bunce raised the question of the use of cheques in relation to Covid-19 preventative measures. And the possibility of changing to online banking. Cllrs. Wrigley and Millington have been signing cheques and observing current advice on hygiene, and are happy to continue. We have not had requests from recipients to use other means of payment. However, the Chair and Clerk will investigate the procedure for switching to online banking, and report.

12 The meeting was closed.

Our next meeting is scheduled to be Monday 6th July 2020. Councillors will be consulted as to the possibility of meeting in a socially distanced way, in light of the current circumstances.

Signed: Chairman

Date