

TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday, 11th January 2023 at 7:30pm, Hamilton Hall, Tetford

Present: Chairman Cllr Lonie
Cllr Davison
Cllr Renshaw
Cllr Larder
Cllr Todd
Cllr Cawthorne
Cllr Kilby
Cllr Andrews (ELDC)

Clerk – M Hoad taking minutes.

There were six members of the public in attendance. One resident asked if the additional 30mph (speed watch) signs had arrived for Salmonby Road. This was confirmed by the Clerk and the resident offered to erect them. A resident requested whether a mobile booster could be installed in the village hall. It was acknowledged that anything to do with mobile signals would have to be down to the specific service providers, however Hamilton Hall committee had reviewed the possibility of WIFI for the hall. To date the cost of providing WIFI had been prohibitive but since the departure of the outreach post office a ‘hardwired’ internet connection had been left which the Hamilton Hall Committee would investigate if can be adopted for hall use.

01533 Chairman’s Welcome & Remarks – Cllr Lonie welcomed everyone to the meeting and as there were no further public questions opened the meeting for business.

01534 Apologies for absence – Apologies had been received from Cllr Marfleet (LCC). **It was resolved** to accept all reasons for absence.

01535 Declarations of Interest – There were no declarations of interest made.

01536 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th November 2022 had been circulated prior to the meeting and **it was resolved** to accept the minutes as correct. The Chairman signed the minutes.

01537 Financial Matters

- a. Accounts to be paid/authorised –The Clerk circulated a payment sheet for authorisation, and it **was resolved** to authorise all payments. (Copy minute ref 01537a below)
- b. Accounts as at end of December 2022 – Bank Reconciliation as at end of December 2022 had been circulated for review and was accepted as correct, to be signed by the Chairman and Clerk.
- c. Councillors Budget Statement – Budget statement as of end of December 2022 was circulated for review and was accepted as correct, to be signed by Chairman.
- d. Draft Budget 2023/24 and Precept – The Clerk had circulated a draft budget for consideration prior to the meeting. Following review, it was resolved to accept the proposed budget. The tax base had been confirmed as 215 and the Clerk had provided some calculations for Band D property. Following debate, it was proposed to request a precept figure of £7130 (a 5% increase on the rate of a Band D property from the previous year) p TC and s JHL and **resolved** by all members.
- e. LIVES grant Request – Following debate **it was resolved** not to provide any grant funds to LIVES on this occasion due to the project costs already committed to for 2023/24.

01538 Planning Matters: -The following applications had been received for consultation:

- a) S/177/02395/22 FIRCOMBE HALLSTABLES, FIRCOMBE HALL, CLAY LANE, TETFORD, LN9 6QN – Planning permission – First floor extension to the existing stable block to provide 2no holiday lets. Following debate, **it was resolved** to support this application.
- b) S/177/002884/22 – LANE END, LITTLE LONDON, TETFORD, HORNCastle, LN9 6QL – Diversion of footpath 30 – Following debate it was considered the application did not detail any reason that would deem it 'necessary' for the landowner to move the public footpath, of which they were aware of at purchase of the property. The diversion increases the length of this section of the route by approx. 25% making it substantially less convenient to the public. The new route completely removes the views to the east and therefore the diversion would have a detrimental effect on public enjoyment of the path. The Parish Council therefore voted to submit a further objection to this application. The Clerk was asked to see when the temporary division notice expired on this footpath.
- c) S/177/02503/22 WHITE COTTAGE, SOUTH ROAD, TETFORD, HORNCastle, LN9 6QB – Planning permission – Extensions to existing dwelling to provide additional living accommodation. Following debate, **it was resolved** to support this application.
- d) WHITE HART PUB – Concerns were raised by Cllrs regarding the increased stable buildings and yard at the rear of the pub used by the organisation Diddy Drivers and Riders. – The Clerk was asked to check with ELDC planning dept whether additional permissions were required.
- e) Concerns had been received from residents regarding the proposed Freedom Camping Club Site at Kingfisher Wood, South Ormsby Road, Tetford. It was understood that the Freedom Camping club organisation are planning to licence the owners of Kingfisher Wood to operate a Exempted Camping and Caravan Sites without requiring planning permission. Due to the sites location within the AONB the Clerk was asked to write to the Head of ELDC planning to ask if appropriate planning would be required for this site.

01539 Recreation Ground Update – The Parish Council had received an additional grant request from the Recreation Ground Committee towards new play equipment. **It was agreed** that the current PC budget was already committed to ongoing projects and no additional grants could be offered at this time.

01540 Grass Cutting / Winter Supplies – The Clerk had circulated a quote received from Tudor Grounds Maintenance for grass cutting for 2023. **It was agreed** to obtain comparative quotes for the grass cutting contract. Cllr Kilby to review and update the grass cutting area plan.

01541 Neighbourhood Projects and Community Engagement –

- a) Red Box Project – The Clerk advised the K6 order had been submitted. Cllr Larder had a further £100 donation to the project which will be banked by the Clerk. The current BT power supply to the kiosk was discussed and the Clerk was asked to speak to the K6 box supplier to see if they had come across this problem at installation before.
- b) Refurbishment of Village Benches – The Clerk advised that Louth Men’s Shed had completed the wooden slat replacements for the benches and would be assembling them again soon.
- c) Warm Spaces Initiative – Locally this had been provided by café facilities around the farmers market held in the village hall. Warm spaces hadn’t been particularly used, perhaps as to date there hadn’t been any long stretches of cold weather. Cllr Lonie had no further update from the Winter Summit.

01542 Defibrillator – Cllr Larder advised she would install the new pads and charging stick on the defibrillator.

- 01543 Edward Richardson Trust Report** – Cllr Renshaw advised the trust had received one further application since the last meeting. One trustee had stepped down and a local villager been co-opted to take their seat. The grants available from the trust were continued to be advertised in the Times of Tetford.
- 01544 Highways and Footpaths** – Cllrs had received concerns from residents regarding horses/ponies being led on public footpaths, the twitten between Dovecote Lane and Mill Lane and the path through Blacksmiths Lane (footpath 33) were identified. The Clerk was asked to write to those concerned on behalf of the Parish Council to request they stop using the footpaths for either riding or leading horses. The matter was also to be referred to LCC Footpath Officer.
- 01545 Community Speed Watch** – The Clerk advised no further speed watches had been undertaken since the last meeting.
- 01546 Patient Participation Group** – Cllr Renshaw advised the surgery were now undertaking additional training with ‘reception’ staff to assist with the ‘triage’ of calls to the surgery identifying those needing urgent appointments. The surgery’s nursing staff were now at full complement and the practice was confident of attracting the other 1.5 doctors needed. Concerns were still being raised by residents to the PC about the service delivered by the practice. It was agreed to confirm the surgery’s complaints process to be able to advise patients the route to make any complaints. Cllr Renshaw would continue to raise general issues at the PPG. It was also noted that the surgery’s website was well out of date.
- 01547 District Councillors Report** – Cllr Andrews advised that District Council were moving to the Horncastle Hub. £150,000 has been made available across East Lindsey area for new electric charging points. The Clerk asked about the recent ELDC press release advising residents that photo ID would be required to vote at the upcoming local elections on May 4th. This press release would be published locally for residents.
- 01548 County Councillors Report** – Cllr Marfleet had been unable to attend the meeting; his briefing report had been circulated to all.
- 01549 Councillors Reports** – Cllr Renshaw advised that a resident had approached the Hamilton Hall committee to see whether a regular social club could be established at the hall. This was currently being considered.
The Clerk was asked to request the road sweeper visit.
Cllr Renshaw asked if the volunteer group could help clear the mud off the path along East Road.
Cllr Cawthorne agreed to undertake this.
Cllr Larder informed the meeting that the newly established Friends of St Mary’s had already raised funds for the church building and specifically for maintenance of the clock.
- 01550 Items for the Next Agenda** – As identified above.
- 01551 Next Planned Parish Meeting - Wednesday 8th February 2023**

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Accounts for Payment

Meeting

11.01.2023

Payee	Net	VAT	Total	Payment / Chq.No
Hamilton Hall – inv 196 November Bookings (including craft fair)	64.00	0.00	64.00	Bacs
Clerks Nov / Dec Salary & Expenses (including Microsoft 365 annual sub)	705.72	0.00	705.72	Bacs
LALC – shared costs for Jadu training	7.68	1.54	9.22	bacs
HMRC Tax	2.00	0.00	2.00	Bacs
		Total	£780.94	

01552 Closing the Meeting to Public & Press – The Chairman moved to close the meeting to public and press to discuss personnel matters. This was agreed by all, and visitors left the meeting. The Chairman advised he had received the Clerk’s letter of resignation which had been accepted. It was agreed that a job advertisement should be drafted to seek a replacement for the Clerk’s post. The Clerk agreed to remain in post until a suitable replacement had been appointed and if required to provide a handover period for the new post holder.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 21:33

Chairman Date

Clerk Date