

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Gunness Parish Council held on
Thursday 2nd August 2012 in the
Coleman Hall Gunness at 7.30pm**

Present : Cllr T.Gosling ; Chairman

Cllr's A.Craddock, P.Devine, E.Gray, D.McIlvaney, D.Oldfield,
S.Thompson, P.West.

6 members of the public.

Apologies for Absence

Cllr's S.Armitage, R,Etchell, T.Glover, B.Porter, D.West.

Declarations of Interests Min 122/2012

Cllr McIlvaney : Donation to FOGB's ; Cllr Oldfield VHC.

Report from Humberside Police Min 123/2012 No Officer present.

Questions from Members of Public Min 124/2012

Who is responsible for the Church burial grounds in Burringham ; Informed PCC. Cllr Oldfield stated that the untidy state of the grounds had also been subject to discussion at a recent Burringham Parish Council meeting, Gunness Council donated £200 each year towards the upkeep of the Churchyard

To Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting Min 125/2012

Resolved : That with the deletion of Min 111/2012, Questions on the minutes, the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 5th July 2012 be approved a correct record.

Questions & Update on Minutes Min 126/2012

VHC Lease : Cllr Oldfield reported that NLC legal team were assisting the VHC with wording of a lease but could only advise, solicitor would need to act on their behalf.

Taxi Voucher Scheme : Cllr Oldfield agreed it was sensible to keep within the £4000 budget but other factors should be taken into account such as scheme members death ; some that don't use and some moved from area. Clerk reported that at present there were four persons on the waiting list. Mr Walker had given back some unused vouchers issued to him last year on medical grounds, these were to be re-allocated to the first person on the list. Cllr Oldfield was against giving a part book as in his mind this was discrimination. Agreed by majority that the part book of vouchers be reissued.

Cllr Oldfield had spoken to Mr Johnson NLC Highways who had confirmed that he had received correspondence re the ragwort on the approach to Keadby Bridge which was being dealt with.

Report on Meeting 22nd July MUGA Football Pitches Min 127/2012

Since the meeting on Sunday 22nd Cllr Gosling had met on site with Mr Furnell Ironstone FC to discuss the football pitches. By turning the junior pitch round it would allow for a full size pitch to fit the space available giving an extra full size pitch to use during the season. Cllr Gray stated that at the meeting on 22nd the two senior FC managers and the junior FC manager were happy with the proposal to turn both the pitches round to run along the bottom end of the field keeping the small pitch for junior players use, this would also take the senior pitch away from the power lines leaving the rest of the field free. Cllr Oldfield stated that there was room for two full size pitches which would give a backup if the present senior pitch was waterlogged. The Clerk reminded Members that the spiking & rolling of the big pitch every six weeks had been added to this years SLA agreement with NLC and was admonished by the Chairman that she was there to give advice not to try and influence decisions.

Report on Meeting Sunday 22nd July cont....

Meeting Suspended to allow public to participate

Mr Furnell ; letter written requesting the present full size goal posts on the junior pitch not be reduced in size as agreed at Sunday meeting as junior pitch could be accommodated within this pitch using the portable goal posts. The posts had been removed in readiness for re-marking the pitch by Cllr's D.West & R.Etchell and placed near the tree's. Mr Furnell again requested that a junior pitch for use of 8-10 year olds be marked out on land near the port-a-cabin unit to the rear of Station Road for use on Saturday mornings. Cllr Craddock was concerned that this was to near houses and had herself had glass in green house broken by footballs, The Chairman reminded her that she was there to represent the interests of all residents not just her personally.

Meeting re-adjourned

Cllr Gosling : To sum up proposals ; Senior pitch to stay in current position until such times as Funds are available to erect MUGA, it will then be turned to run along the bottom end of field ; Junior pitch to be turned now but increased in size to form a second full size pitch ; Junior pitch to be marked out rear of housing on Station Road using portable goal posts.

Resolved : By majority that the proposal above be agreed.

Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor Min 128/2012

Cllr Oldfield : Humberside Airport had been sold by Manchester Airport to Eastern Airways, NLC retaining their 17.5% share. Scunthorpe Telegraph Community Champions Awards sponsored by local businesses looking for possible candidates, the awards will be announced on 29th November. NLC had successfully prosecuted a woman for benefit fraud totalling £85k. A BMX track had been built in Sheffield Park. Recent heavy rains had caused flooding on Ashfield Park and at The Meadows in Burringham, a meeting had been arranged with IDB to discuss this matter which could be caused by dykes not being cleaned.

Accounts for Payment Min 129/2012

Resolved : That the accounts detailed below be approved

Marshalls Taxis..... Voucher Scheme..... £ 205.00

NLC..... Repairs to swings..... £ 60.00

N.Beresford ... Clerks Salary & Exp x3 months £ 452.40

HMRC.....PAYE..... £ 145.20

Receipt NLC 2nd half precept £17000 : Leggots FC pitch fee £30

To Receive Audit Report Y/E 31st March 2012 Min 130/2012

The Accounts had been returned by the Audit Commission ; only comment that the Chairman had not dated his declaration.

To Receive Members Code of Conduct Forms as Required by the Localism Act 2011 Min 131/2012

Six Members had completed their forms which were handed to the Clerk. The Clerk reminded Members that all outstanding declarations should be returned ASAP. For existing Members forms should have been returned by 29th July but due to points requiring clarification from both NLC & ERNLLCA there had been a delay in producing the forms.

Planning Matters Min 132/2012

2012/0857 : Drury ; 2.warping Way : erect a fence : No objections

Playing Field Matters Min 133/2012

Urgent Repairs to swings Cllr Oldfield had contacted NLC re the top shackles being worn requiring immediate attention ; work had been carried out cost £60

Lease VHC : See Min 126/2012 above

Consider Revised quotes from TVES for new lighting Column

Estimates discussed at July meeting when decision made that a firm price be obtained not just an estimate. Cllr Oldfield stated that all past TVES quotes had been estimates this had never been challenged before. Further discussion took place following which it was Resolved : That the second quote for a 5m high lighting column etc be erected price £2030 + VAT be approved.

Application to use Senior Pitch

Leggotts FC had applied to use the senior pitch for Saturday matches.

Ironstone FC to use the pitch for Sunday League games.

Progress on Brick Changing Facilities Min 134/2012

To be discussed further when lease for proposed village hall agreed. ongoing.

Matters Relating to Lodge Moors Estate Min 135/2012

The Clerk had arranged for a representative from Notts Sport, specialists in synthetic turf material for a site meeting Tuesday pm, the Chairman had been informed to arrange for Members to attend. Cllr Oldfield present ; the material was stitched into ground ; requested cost for both goal areas only and the whole area quote to be sent to Council following this site meeting. Ongoing. Clerk had also obtained catalogue from MATTA Surfacing who would carry out a survey should this be required. No reply had been received from NLC following our request for permission to lay turf and if they would help with financing the proposed project. Cllr Oldfield informed the meeting that there was an issue with the fence as the fencing had just been fastened to the straining wires with twisted wires and not threaded through the fencing itself by AGN Fencing. The Clerk stated that K&I Contractors had brought this to our attention two years ago and that the fencing on Guinness field was also fastened in this way.

Lease for Caged area to LMRA ; This was still in the discussion stage with Mr John Kidner Estates Manager NLC .

Public Meeting held by LMRA : Cllr Devine : the meeting had produced some good ideas : Trip to Skegness on 19th August 53 persons had applied for seats ; Mini Sports day to be held on 2nd September.

Other matters relating to the estate ; Gardening maintenance scheme by NLH not to required standard as reported at July meeting, problems with lawn mowers. The promised ten litter bins had not yet been delivered.

Matters Relating to Hilton Avenue Estate Min 135/2012

Cllr Oldfield reported two complaints re nuisance on the estate reported to him as Ward Councillor : Mr Brown flat adjacent to the old play area / resident of Westburn Way nuisance caused by youths/children. Looking into on their behalf.

Proposed Traffic Order ; NLC ; proposed Traffic Order for bends on Hilton Avenue extended to include M181 round-a-bout and parts of the A18 on verges on the Northern side of the carriage way. No objections raised on this issue.

Donation to FOGB's Min 136/2012

Clerk reported that no reply had been received following hand delivered letter to Mrs Wood. Resolved : That the £500 donation be given direct to the school.

Correspondence Min 137/2012

LMCA Request for Funding : Letter dated 2nd July requesting financial help to refurbish entrance to Minster Centre : The £500 annual donation had been agreed at July meeting and delivered before this letter received. Noted

Jolly Sailor Funding for OAP Diamond Jubilee Celebration : Letter of thanks from Richard & Val Revell for funding this event : Noted

NHS Health Checks Burringham : Letter of thanks for support in making this event a big success with twenty people attending which is pleasing result for a small area.

NLC Community Emergency Plan : Cllr Etchell not in attendance.

NLC Salt Bins/Bulk Salt Supply Winter 2012/13

Letter from Rod Chapman re provision of extra salt bins at a cost of £130 each.

Following discussion : Bulk salt supply to Mr West Whitehall Farm

Relocate bin Station Road OVS corner, (Station Road on salt route,) to corner of Campbells Farm Avenue/OVS

Two new bins, cost £260 for L/M Estate 1 Mansfield Road : 1 Chesterfield Road Bolsover Road is salted on bus route.

Copy of brochure : Playing Field.

Councillor's Reports Min 138/2012

Cllr Craddock : Replacement aluminium dog fouling sign approved in May not yet erected. Cllr Oldfield informed her that the sign was ready but too big to fit into his car. Cllr Gray asked why the company could not deliver as it had been paid for. Cllr Oldfield to progress.

Cllr Thompson : Request NLC to place mirror on Station Road adjacent to Empson's poor visibility when exiting OVS. The Clerk informed the meeting that NLC no longer installed mirrors as they were a safety hazard reflecting in bright sunlight. Letter to be sent to NLC asking to confirm this information.

Cllr Gray : Any reply from NLC re standing water footpath nos 28-30 OVS : No

Cllr Gosling : Decision made by Cllr Waltham Cabinet Member for Children's Services to remove Cllr Oldfield from the Board of Governor's at G&B School with no explanation as to why this decision had been taken. This left the school with no representation from the Parish Council. In his opinion this is politically motivated severing long standing links between the school and the Parish Council, Mrs Ellis Head Teacher was also shocked by this decision. Letter to be sent to Cllr Waltham requesting explanation of his actions.