

**Minutes of Meeting of
Gunness Parish Council held on
Thursday 6th February 2014 in the
Coleman Hall Gunness at 7.30pm**

Present ; Cllr T.Gosling ; Chairman
Cllr's A.Craddock, B.Etchell, E.Gray, D.Oldfield, B.Porter.
3.members of public.

Apologies for Absence

Cllr's S.Armitage, P.Devine, D.McIlvaney, S.Thompson, D.West, P.West.

Declarations of Interest Min 25/2014

Cllr. D.Oldfield ; VHC & Mill Road.

Casual Vacancy Min 26/2014

Clerk reported that an election to fill the vacancy has been called to be held on Thursday 20th March 2014. Three residents had applied for co-option ; C.Hansom, P.McIlvaney, D.Thomas. Two were present at the meeting and were introduced to Members by the Chairman.

Report from Humberside Police Min 27/2014

No Officer present ; No Report. Cllr Oldfield stated that two PCSO's had been installed to replace P.C.Kirkby, both had attended the last NAT meeting.

Questions from Members of Public Min 28/2014

Mr Furnell ; Water leak in home changing room on the new unit & amount of dog mess on field ; Clerk informed meeting that Mr Wall had been asked to look at unit still waiting outcome. Dog mess ; Persons coming on car park 11/12pm and just letting dogs out to run loose, Mr Furnell had asked if the field could be locked at night, Cllr Gray stated this had been tried only last year and many complaints received by early morning dog walkers as usual it was the minority spoiling it for the many responsible owners who did clean up. A suggestion that a leaflet drop to all houses in the village drawing attention that if no improvement possible banning of dogs completely. Cllr Gosling ; if coming in cars possibly not from village. Cllr Porter stated that dogs should be banned to protect children using the field especially the play area, Cllr Etchell ; there are many other areas in the village for persons to walk their dogs. Mr Thomas suggested that the gates be locked from dawn to dusk as happened in many other areas. Cllr Craddock informed him that last time the person volunteering to lock up had been subjected to abuse from dog walkers. Cllr Oldfield ; place camera's to catch culprits. The Clerk stated that NLC did have byelaws for some areas, Cllr Gosling proposed we ask for information to include Gunness playing field in NLC Byelaws..

To Approve Minutes of Meetings 2&9th January Min 29/2014

Resolved : That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday
2nd January be approved a correct record.

Clerk asked Cllr Etchell if the sand bags had been delivered to Cllr P.West, letter sent from last month's meeting. ; Not to his knowledge. Clerk to follow up.

Resolved ; That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday
9th January be approved a correct record.

The Chairman thanked Cllr's Gray, D.West & P.West for working & signing the lease on the Council's behalf, looking at the best interests for all parties.

Questions on Minutes Min 30/2014 None

Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor Min 31/2014

Cllr D.Oldfield : Attended meeting of People & Places Scrutiny Panel called by Simon Driver to hold post mortem on the recent flooding along the River Trent villages, CEO of Environment Agency also present. Extreme weather conditions, tides & air pressure all played part in creating the flooding. Lack of availability of sand bags was one of the main causes of complaints. Resurfacing and fencing work on the A18 along Doncaster Road over Keadby Bridge etc resulting in overnight road closures during February, diversions would be in place. There could be a possibility that scalplings from this work could be used to improve the surface on Mill Road, Cllr Porter stated this would increase the height of the road possible flooding of housing, needed digging out before top surface put on. Cllr Oldfield had obtained private quote for improvements to Mill Road to bring it up to adoptable status in excess of £20,000 his calculations equates to £1200 per property using the road for rear access. NLC have asked for comments on the proposed "No Right Turn" from the A18 into Hilton Avenue, many residents had approached him all against as this could isolate the estate if public transport was withdrawn. In his opinion Simons Developments should have input into this as they were to install traffic lights onto their development which would cause congestion.

At a recent meeting of LMRA Simons representative had attended to talk through their plans, this was a useful meeting they had agreed to leaflet all properties with updates.

Spoken to Ian Jickells re parking on Neap House Road in the vicinity of Empson's agreed that it was the alignment of the road causing the problem, planning permission to build on plot opposite when the hedge would be removed & replaced with a wall could ease the problem. Next meeting of T&P Liaison meeting would include update on Broadband & attendance of Mr Grove Humberside Police Commissioner.

Accounts for Payment Min 31/2014

Resolved : That the accounts detailed below be approved.

Marshall's Taxis... Voucher Scheme.....£ 275.00

Isle Fence It.....Install Senior FC Goalposts...£ 158.16

Queensway Engineering ..Window Guards Unit..£ 876.60

Gunness P.C.C. Room Hire Meetings.....£ 240.00

Methodist Chapel..Annual Donation.....£ 350.00

Receipts HMRC VAT Refund £13,407.98 Ironstone FC £60 Pitch fee £30

Planning Matters Min 32/2014

2013/1440 ; NLC ; A18/M181 Round-a-bout ; to display 4 advert signs ; FPP granted

Discuss & Implement Risk& Judgement Assessment Min 33/2/14

Clerk informed meeting that following the adoption of this policy at the January meeting now required putting into practice, main issue was annual inspection by ROSPA trained person & weekly/monthly inspection of equipment which could be carried out by Members, both were included in this policy. Cllr Gosling volunteered to do the first inspection during February, Clerk gave him sheet that had been used before listing all the equipment on the Gunness Field, no sheet for L/M or Hilton Ave Estates.

Playing Field Matters Min 34/2014

Cllr Craddock asked why work was being done to the football pitches when it was her understanding that NLC SLA ran from March to November ; informed that pitch rolling & spiking had been included from September to March at six weekly intervals. Leak on unit ; had seen children climb on top, been out & spoken to them, could this have caused the problem. Asked the amount of water collected ¼ bucket per week.

Installation of litter bin ; still at Clerk's residence, had been agreed that it be installed by person installing Senior Goal posts. Cllr Oldfield had asked for quote from KI Contractors £35

Resolved This be accepted.

Playing Field Matters cont... No further progress with play equipment Cllr McIlvaney not present to update on her consultation with children at the school. Cllr Oldfield had produced brochures with discounts on equipment and a drawing from catalogue which he had given to Empson's requesting price for them to copy. Clerk advised that the brochure prices did not include the extra costs involved ie delivery, erection & safety surfacing which should be considered. Cllr Craddock stated the present equipment is old and disgusting when other areas had modern facilities. Quote from Wicksteed Leisure to carry out annual inspection of field £45 each area for unaccompanied inspection rising to £71 for accompanied inspection extra analysis of Risk Assessment £15. Agreed to ask NLC for quote if they still carried out inspections.

Matters Relating to L/M Estate Min 35/2014

Seat still not installed, Cllr Oldfield was uncertain if the £80 quote from Widdy's would be valid as seat purchased required different fixtures to the original seats ordered from Monstor Play.

Matters Relating to Hilton Avenue Estate Min 36/2014

Cllr Gosling informed Members that he had made a formal objection on behalf of residents of the estate re the proposed "No Right Turn" off the A18. This would mean the only exit would be down Burn Road onto Scotter Road which is already grid locked at certain times of the day. The Bus Company had also been approached as residents were fearful that this could see the end of their public transport needs. Any alterations to the road system in that area including the new development should be sorted out before any formal action is taken. Cllr Oldfield reported that resident of the Estate sitting on the Neighbourhood Watch Committee had reported at the last NAT Meeting that she had bumped into the new ball wall asking if paint could be applied to the rear of the equipment to prevent injury, price obtained ££30, as this equipment is at least 8x5 ; Rejected Seat not yet installed (as L/M above) Cllr Gosling not consulted over positioning of seat.

Funding Requests Min 37/2014

Councillor Gosling left the room and took no part in this discussion

1. Retirement Gift P.C.Kirkby ; Letter from Parklands Parish Council suggesting that the three Parishes served by P.C.Kirkby join together to buy a retirement gift suggesting the sum of £30 each. Their Parish Council were contributing via the Chairman's Allowance. Cllr Oldfield proposed donation of £50 which was agreed by all present.

2. Request from K.Gosling for Donation for Under 13 Rugby Squad. The team were raising funds for a trip to Clamart (Scunthorpe's Twin Town) asking if the Parish Council would make a donation. The Clerk reported that she had asked advice from ERNLLCA on both these requests, The donation to P.C.Kirkby depends on if the full Council have power how the Chairman spends his allowance it can make the decision, if only the Chairman, can decide, that is a matter for him. Section 137 cannot be used in this instance.

The request from Mr Gosling requires great care especially to the Chairman as he has both a Personal & Prejudicial Interest and should be seen not to be involved in any decision, Members should also give thought to the "public perception" might be about such a decision. The Clerk informed Members that she had asked if there were any other youth from the Parish who played in the squad, No, and again to confirm that section 137 was not applicable. Cllr Oldfield proposed a donation of £250, not seconded. Much discussion took place the decision being that with regret no donation can be made. Cllr Oldfield brought to members attention the paragraph from ERNLLCA advice that a donation could be made to the Rugby Club, it was agreed that it also stated we would have no control of how the money was spent. Cllr Gray ; the club was outside the Parish Boundary and this could set a precedence for anyone to make requests. Cllr Gray thanked the Clerk for obtaining the information from ERNLLCA

Cllr Gosling rejoined the meeting ; Agreed to donate £30 to P.C.Kirkby's gift as requested from Parklands PC from his Chairman's allowance.

Correspondence Min 38/2014

NLC Superfast Broadband Mobile Unit ; To be on Field Car Park afternoon of 19th March :
NLC Training for Emergency ; Baths Hall 27th February ; Cllr Etchell to attend Clerk to book.
Mrs Walker ; Acknowledging letter informing her of action taken re Mill Road. Asked if reply from Mr Dent, Clerk advised No. Cllr Porter : Some of the parked cars belonged to residents of Station Road between the A18 & Post Office.

ERNLLCA : Training Event "Meeting Procedure" Keadby Memorial Hall 4th March ;Noted
Minutes of Last NAT Meeting for information Noted

NLC Dates of meetings February.

Late Mail for information only ; Mr Furnell Ironstone FC ; Request for more funding to purchase new kit tops for a cup match ; To be placed on agenda at March meeting.

Press Release from Cllr Oldfield re the successful funding bids for the changing unit.

Councillor's Reports Min 39/2014

Cllr Gray ; Heard report of burglary down Laburnum Avenue any information ; Mr Thomas informed Members it was next door to him also further problem in Wharfdale Close. This could spark an interest in forming a "Neighbourhood Watch Group" in the village. Clerk stated this had been tried before when interested persons realised the amount of work involved it fell through. Cllr Oldfield offered to obtain information on NHW for Mr Thomas.

Cllr Etchell ; Lights out on Keadby Bridge : Cllr Oldfield had already looked into this there was a problem with the supply that hopefully would be resolved when the resurfacing took place.

Cllr Oldfield ; request that further meetings of the Council be held at the Minster Centre on Lodge Moors Estate ; possibly once every three months Agreed.