

WORLABY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Worlaby Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th February 2022, commencing at 7pm in Worlaby Village Hall

Present: Chair - Cllr Mike Speakman
Cllr Richard Bowles, Cllr Ian Fowler, Cllr Tom Cave, Cllr Holly Truelove, Cllr Neil Empson
Clerk – Holly Hanson

Ward Councillors Cllr Carl Sherwood, Cllr Nigel Sherwood.

5 members of the public attended.

21/22 – 0201 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Sharon Newton, Gill Rawlings (WRC) and Cllr Rob Waltham.

21/22 – 0202 Public Participation

Resolved – To temporarily suspend the meeting for a period of no more than 15 minutes to allow for a period of public participation. Members of the public may raise subjects, which they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Items relating to matters on the agenda will be taken first and any decisions will be made when the meeting is declared opened.

A member of the public spoke on the Worlaby Downhill Challenge, stating that the event had run successfully from 2013 to 2019, but had not run in the last 2 years. The previous organisers did not wish to revive the event, however the member of the public would like to revive it. A 2 day event would be preferred, with a road closure for the entire weekend. The member of the public sought Parish Council support in applying for the road closure, it is envisioned that the event would take place over the weekend of the 16th and 17th July 2022.

The member of the public will send full details to the Clerk.

A local landowner stated that he had made an area of land available for the pre-school for a garden.

Resolved – The meeting was re-opened

21/22 – 0203 Declaration of Interest

- a) Cllr Cave declared an interest in the following item:
21/22 – 0209b) – Report from Worlaby Recreation Committee
Cllr Empson declared an interest in the following items:
21/22 – 0210) – Verge & PROW Cutting 2022/23
21/22 – 0220 a) - An item of correspondence
- b) No dispensations were granted

21/22 – 0204 Minutes of Previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11th January 2022 were reviewed and agreed as an accurate and true record and signed accordingly

21/22 – 0205 Report from Ward Councillors

- a) Cllr Carl Sherwood gave an update stating that the Covid vaccination uptake in North Lincolnshire was one of the highest in the country, with drop-in vaccination clinics still open in Scunthorpe and Broughton

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and 2nd jobs for 12 – 15yr olds being available in schools. Whilst rates in the area were still high, hospitalisations remained at manageable levels.

The Just Go service has launched a new app that should make bookings easier.

Network Rail has been approached to open the level crossing whilst works on the bridge had closed the Ancholme Way.

NLC had launched a new wheels to work and education scheme providing electric mopeds for access to college or work.

There is a current consultation on the Barton Bypass, and the three potential routes, the end date for this is 18th February 2022.

Pothole works would be taking place in the Low Villages over the next couple of weeks.

21/22 - 0206 **Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues**

- a) Councillors discussed the following outstanding issues:
 - i) Resurfacing of Carr Lane – Cllr C Sherwood updated that they were still awaiting a date for the works but that some potholes had been patched.
Cllr Moran raised the poor quality of the pothole works.
Councillors re-iterated the need for the full length of the road to be resurfaced down to the level crossing.
 - ii) Resurfacing of Middle Barn Hill – Cllr C Sherwood updated that they are still waiting on the outcome of re-surveying the road, it is hoped that a date for works will be available in the next month.
 - iii) Pavement surface in dangerous condition at 45 Top Road – No update
 - iv) To receive an update re Network Rail and Carr Lane and resolve any action – Cllr C Sherwood reported that Network Rail had objected to the PROW application, and that this would now be referred to the Secretary of State.
 - v) Muddy road conditions in Worlaby.

Resolved – To Close the meeting to allow a member of the public to speak.

The Landowner reported that a road sweeper had been contracted to clean the roads three times per week, for four hours each, recently this has been increased to four hours daily. Due to wet conditions currently some fields are only accessible from the roads, however the Farm Manager is undertaking re-organisation to minimise this.

Cllr Moran queried the length of time that the sweepers were operational, and also the location for emptying is inappropriate – This will be fed back to the Farm Manager.

It was cited that the footpaths are also an issue – Clerk to contact NLC to see if these can be cleaned.

The Landowner stated that whilst much was being done to minimise the mud, the operations on his land cannot be deemed responsible for all of the mud in the area as there are other farming operations within the village.

- b) The Clerk reported that the damaged 30mph sign and street name signs on Low Road and Carr Lane had been reported to NLC.

21/22 – 0207 **Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs**

- a) There was no update on Police, Neighbourhood watch or NATs matters.

21/22 – 0208 **Planning**

- a) No planning applications had been received.
- b) Councillors received the following planning decision:
 - i) PA/2021/1977 – To undertake a crown reduction on four horse chestnut trees within G7 and subject to Tree Preservation Order at Emily Lodge, 21 New Road, Worlaby, DN20 0PE - Refused
- c) No other planning matters were discussed.

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21/22 – 0209 Community Matters and Open Space Management

- a) There was no update on the Woodland Glade and Hollows.
 - b) There was no update from Worlabby Recreation Committee
 - c) The following risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlabby Parish Council were received:
 - i) BT Kiosk, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Mike Speakman
It was noted that the kiosk was scheduled for re-painting when the weather was warmer
 - ii) War Memorial, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Mike Speakman
Awaiting further inspection of damage from tree roots. See also item 21/22 – 0209 f) below
 - iii) Flagpole, Main Street Monthly inspection Cllr Tom Cave
It was noted that the top pulley needs attention and the flagpole requires lowering for cleaning – a work party to be organised
 - iv) Bus Stop, Low Road Monthly inspection Cllr Neil Empson
No issues
 - v) Pleasure Ground and Play Area, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Neil Empson
Cllr Bowles stated that there were some works required to the lower branches of the trees that were overhanging the road and that these trees were covered by a TPO.
- Resolved – Clerk to work with Cllr Bowles on TPO application for works.
See also item 21/22 - 0209 e) below
- vi) Fountain Monthly inspection Cllr Neil Empson
No issues
 - vii) Recreation Ground Weekly inspection Cllr Tom Cave
It was noted that there were bottles in the area at the time of inspection, and that the moss needed cleaning from the basketball hoop surface.
 - viii) Woodland Glade and Hollows, The Hill Monthly inspection Peter Jones
 - ix) CCTV System Monthly inspection Cllr Richard Bowles
No issues
- d) Cllr Cave gave an update on plans for the Platinum Jubilee stating that the meeting on 17th January had been well attended with lots of ideas for the celebrations. Notes from this meeting are available in noticeboards, and the next meeting is scheduled for 21st February 2022.
A pig for a hogroast had been kindly donated by Barrie Truelove.
Councillors commented that whilst the Parish Council were happy to support the Village in plans for the celebrations, organisation of the event needed to be led by the Village as it was their celebration.
 - e) Councillors discussed the poor condition of the horseshoe path around the Pleasure Ground. It was noted that the right hand side of the path was particularly muddy, and that this could be mitigated by stopping vehicles from using this side. It was also noted that there was a lack of sunlight to this area due to the trees.
Resolved – Clerk to liaise with PCC with plans to block access to this side of the path.
 - f) Councillors discussed the tree branch that had come down recently on the War Memorial, and the split in the trunk of one of the trees next to the memorial, citing the potential for significant damage to the War Memorial should either of the trees fall.
Resolved – Clerk to write to the owners of the trees highlighting the poor condition and the concerns of the Parish Council.
 - g) No other Community and Open Space Management matters were discussed.

21/22 – 0210 Verge & PROW cutting 2022/23

- a) Councillors reviewed the anonymised quotes for the Verge & PROW Cutting for the 2022/23 season.

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Resolved – To award the contract to Contractor C – Sissons Gardening Services

21/22 – 0211 Rooks

- a) Councillors discussed resident complaints about rooks nesting in the Hollows and Woodland Walk, and other locations around the Village. The Clerk presented a report on the changes to the General Licenses that came into effect in January 2022, and cited that the nesting season for Rooks was February and March, although nesting could begin in January. Councillors discussed that the only area that redundant Rook nests may be addressed is above the Pleasure Ground, but that this would be monitored over the forthcoming year, with a review in November 2022. There were no other areas of the Village where removal of redundant nests was deemed appropriate.

21/22 – 0212 NLC Support Grant

- a) Councillors discussed the NLC Support Grant and terms of acceptance.
Resolved – That the grant be accepted.

21/22 – 0213 Worlaby Downhill Challenge

- a) See item 21/22 –0202 Public Participation.
Resolved – To support the Downhill Challenge with the administration of an application for Road Closure.

21/22 – 0214 Appointment of Internal Auditor for 2022/23

- a) Following the resignation of the previous Internal Auditor, Councillors discussed the appointment of a replacement Internal Auditor
Resolved – To appoint Brian Brooks as Internal Auditor to Worlaby Parish Council for the 2021/22 year.

21/22 – 0215 Town and Parishes Code of Conduct

- a) Councillors reviewed and considered for adoption the updated Town and Parishes Code of Conduct received from NLC
Resolved – To adopt the updated Code of Conduct.

21/22 – 0216 Clerk's Report

- a) The Clerk presented a report on items requiring attention since the January meeting on any subject not separately on the Agenda

21/22 – 0217 Accounts

- a) Councillors reviewed the current financial position
Resolved – That the Financial Summary and Bank Reconciliation be noted and signed by Cllr Speakman.
b) Councillors reviewed the bank statements.
Resolved – That the documents be noted and signed by Cllr Speakman.
Councillors noted the following invoices already paid:
c) 27th January 2022 – Vision ICT – Email Annual Fee - £151.20
d) 27th January 2022 – Low Villages News – Annual Donation - £225.00 – S137 Payment
e) 27th January 2022 – MD Signs – Hollows Lectern - £562.80
f) 27th January 2022 – NLC – Neighbourhood Planning - £41.98
The following invoices were approved for payment:
g) Cllr R Bowles – Nudge Bar - £25.00
h) Cllr R Bowles – Cherry Trees - £20.00
i) Cllr M Moran – Cherry Trees - £20.00

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21/22 – 0218 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

- a) There were no updates on any items not requiring decision and resolution, not otherwise detailed on the agenda.
- b) To discuss the following items of correspondence received and resolve any action:
 - i) Councillors noted the correspondence from Worlabby PCC stating that the grant offered by the Parish Council for the repair of the clock was not required.
 - ii) Councillors noted resident correspondence thanking the Parish Council for the new benches around the Village.
 - iii) Councillors discussed correspondence from Worlabby Academy.

Resolved – That Cllr Fowler be appointed as liaison with Worlabby Academy.

- b) It was discussed that a summary of activity of the Parish Council be submitted to the Low Villages News monthly, however this was thought to be a repetition of minutes of meetings.
- c) No items were received for the next agenda.

21/22 - 0219 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

- a) The next meeting of Worlabby Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 8th February 2022, commencing at 7.30pm in Worlabby Village Hall.

21/22 - 0220 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

- a) Councillors discussed an item of correspondence