

## **NORTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting**

**Held on:** Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January 11, 2012 6.30pm

**At:** The Schoolroom of the Village Hall, Manor Road, Northorpe

**Present:** Councillors: B. Dunk, N. Montgomery (Chair Person)  
J. Montgomery

**Minutes:** A Harrison (Parish Clerk)

### **1/1/12 Apologises:**

L and P Marasco, D Challinor and L Wright

### **2/1/12 Declaration of interest**

None

### **3/1/12 Minutes of last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2011**

Minutes agreed as a true and accurate record. NM attended the Civic Service.

### **4/1/12 Clerks report on items in the minutes**

- Highways issues - Highways had been contacted on several occasions and a response is still awaited. A letter had been received and this was shared within the correspondence agenda item.  
**Action:** To be invited the March 2012 meeting
- Employing a person to close the playing field - LALC had been consulted with and this advice was shared.  
**Action: To reconsidered at another time.**
- Precept – the audit amount had been changed as requested in the previous meeting
- Jubilee Celebration – local people had not come forward to offer ways the Jubilee could be celebrated the Councillors are considering an idea of lighting a beacon, as they are being lit across the country. A new seat on the green to commemorate the Jubilee and a buffet and drinks in the School Hall.

## **5/1/12 Village Champions Report – L Marasco**

None

## **6/1/12 Playing Field Report – N Montgomery**

NM has met Garden Angels and they have given him an invoice for £1000 + VAT. There is £1000 surplus. NM gave the clerk a copy of the invoice. Garden Angels would give 14 cuts and they will reseed the park in areas that are needed in February 2012. NM will send the receipts to Community Spaces.

Playdale will be paid by the Parish Council. There is a surplus of approx. £7000 that can be spent on the park. A suggestion of 3 new benches, at the entrance, in the middle and one located somewhere else within the village. NM has also priced up 2 grit bins, 3 seats, wooden trough planters, tarmac of park entrance, signage to the park, signage to enter the village and bulbs and flowers.

There is also a sustainability Grant and NM made us aware there is approximately £3000 to ensure the park will be used and brings attention to the village.

**Action:** NM will provide a calendar of events of when and how the money can be used.

## **7/1/12 Planning Matters**

These are now emailed to the Parish Clerk on a weekly basis for checking and distribution should an application refer to Northorpe AH will forward to Councillors and bring to the attention of the meeting.

## **8/1/12 Correspondence**

Area Summit for the Trent Area – meeting held on Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 2012.

WLDC Christmas Tree Collection- a collection was offered but not taken up by the Parish Council as it was not felt there would be the demand.

Community Resilience Grant Scheme - a grant application had been successful and the council had received £110.32 to purchase equipment to be used during extreme weather.

ROSPA – a reminder to apply for the annual inspection

**Action:** for AH to contact them and progress this for next year.

WLDC – Information on planning, this will be sent out for distribution

LCC Maintenance Scheme Highways – proposing a 2 week closure to undertake work on the footway of Monson Road. The letter invited comments on the proposal or traffic management by the end of February 2012

**Action:** to consider undertaking the verge at the same time whilst the road is closed.

BTVC c/o West Lindsey District Council - making councillors aware of grants available for conservation projects.

Northern Power Grid – reduction in Way leave to £8.24

WLDC – raising a precept request. This was submitted by the deadline of 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011 with the proposed precept as discussed at the previous Parish Council Meeting.

NM has been in contact with the police. The drive carefully sign had been stolen. It would cost £67 for a new one.

**Action:** agreed to purchase a new one

### **9/1/12 Payments made and outstanding**

Payments made:

Room hire £54.00

Grant spend £103.04

Payments Outstanding:

None

Income

Resilience Grant £110.32

### **10/1/12 Parish Magazine entries and Website**

To place info re:

The Jubilee entry, date of next meeting,

AH to place photographs of the war memorial on the website

Best Kept Village entry by JM

Playing field, village hall and the Resilience Grant by NM,

### **11/1/12 AOB – for discussion not decision**

Best Kept Village Competition. Several areas of the village were identified for improvements and areas of what the village may be judged on. JM shared jobs that had been identified and the necessary proposed actions.

BD asked for the footpaths to be an agenda item at the next Parish Council Meeting

NM has reported the neighbour watch signs had been stolen. There will be some other signs that will be going.

NM will find out how a scheme called Rural Cinema backed by the film council. He will be meeting up with a representative to obtain further information.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

**12/1/12 Date, time and venue of next meeting**

Proposed Parish Council Meetings for 2012

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 2012

Date: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and Annual Public Meeting

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Old School Room