

Minutes of the Meeting of South Killingholme Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th October 2017
At the Community Centre, Moat Lane, South Killingholme

Present: Cllrs J & K Hesketh, G & C Hooker, A Morbin, P Crofts, D Robinson, M Price, L Jervis,
D Evans

1. Apologies for absence – Cllrs Hannigan and Clark
2. Declarations of interest – none
3. Public Forum

Members of the public raised the following topics

The kettle in the kitchen was leaking therefore dangerous and needed replacing

What had happened to SKCC? Were they still in existence and “active” . Information from the public was that they had closed their bank account. Said they were “taking a break” . Had donated £1,000 to the school,

What had happened to the £600 donated by the council?

This was reported to have been spent and would not be repaid. It was reported they did have assets but were not still meeting. Money had been made, it was said, in between and the council was asked if they had accounts.

It was clarified that SKCC had no connection to the council, and contrary to what SKCC had stated in their literature, they had never been asked to form by the parish council.

A representative for North Killingholme Action Group, formed 14 months ago, informed the meeting that they had held a meeting with N Lincs Council that afternoon. They had had little cooperation from N Killingholme Parish Council. . They had issues with pollution and noise and the increase in traffic and new applications from haulage companies. ~There had been two accidents in the area over the weekend, including a crash near Chasehill Rd., Today was the second meeting of the group with N Lincs Council, people involved were local representatives, our MP and 3 ward councilors. Monitoring of the road last September and again in July had revealed that the traffic had increased by a third.

4. The minutes were agreed with the following alterations
 - a) the addition of the agreement to open an account at Natwest or Lloyds Bank in Immingham
 - b) That Cllr Robinson had asked When not Why permission had gone through for the old Post Office

5. Matters arising

Cllr Evans suggested that the lanes at the roundabout be marked with arrows

It was suggested that Greengate Lane needed traffic calming measures – to be looked at in December

Cllr Evans had dealt with the sign posts for community centre

The pavements had been leveled towards the community centre for easy access

Ongo – request for more parking still to be done.

Mandates for Co-op bank had been sent off

Account had been opened at Lloyds Bank

Mandates had been changed for Yorkshire Bank

Tarmac on Pilgrims on list for Cllr Hesketh and the Council Leader when meeting in the village
Camber on roundabout – Highways asserted it conforms to standard. Phone no. and details

given for reporting accidents and near misses. These to be posted on council website.
School crossing for Greengate – awaiting reply from N Lincs.
Acid spill on Hull Docks – not an issue for refineries.
Overgrown hedge has been cut.

6. Planning

There was no objection to planning application for a timber garage on Moat Lane, 4 Robinson Mews.

Cllr Morbin stated that N Lincs Council no longer notified neighbouring properties of planning applications – they were only online. Cllr Crofts asked if notices were still posted and was told no.

Concern was expressed as to how people would know planning applications were applied for – especially without access to the internet.

Cllr Morbin suggested this be an agenda item for next month.

7. Correspondence

Meeting at North Lincs Council – Parish Liaison Meeting on Thursday 12th October.

Letter from Cllr Hannigan stating that £700 for plants was available – agreed to accept British science week letter – funding available.

Conflicting letters about electricity account-Total Gas & Power -to be clarified.

Humberside Airport Committee meeting – if anyone wished to attend

8. Financial matters

Proposal that we pay Kyanite and the Bar Licence as these were outstanding.

Proposal to pay insurance – Cllr Morbin stated that 3 quotations should be obtained for the insurance and she would see to this. Payment would therefore be deferred.

9. Audit

Cllr Crofts as acting clerk read from the articles of governance, and pointed out whether these had been complied with by the previous council. It was explained that a previous chairman had used the debit card to pay out over £9000 in various payments without oversight of other councilors. As the previous council had not agreed the audit or accounts when they could have done so, and the audit should have been submitted by now and public notification made. Cllr Crofts read out a letter stating the councils situation proposing that it be sent to the external auditor along with relevant documents, the audit statement and accounts – and stating that the governance could not be agreed. Cllr Morbin proposed that the governance statement be not included, Cllr Crofts argued it was an important factor. It was unanimously agreed to send the letter as read out.

10. Heating System – to discuss update.

(the current heating system had to be turned off so that councillors could be heard).

It was suggested that as there would be insufficient funding available, that this was not feasible..

It was proposed that in any event information be sought as to what types of heating would be available and suitable. North Lincs Council community award was mentioned and this will be followed up

11. Bar licence

It was agreed that this should be paid as a matter of urgency as the bar could well be needed for a coming event.

12. Insurance – Cllr Morbin to look into and verify quotes matched previous specification.

13. Letter from Hetts Johnson White.

Cllr Morbin explained that a letter had been received from the solicitors on behalf of their client

asking about boundary repairs etc. As it was believed the lease had expired she had contacted the solicitors and Estates Dept at North Lincs Council but had not heard back yet. Cllr Hesketh emphasized the need for more information in order to proceed.

14. Bowls club

Cllr Morbin stated that Street Sports used to use the bowls club in the bad weather for hot drinks, so that the main building did not need to be unlocked. The room was inaccessible at present due to items stored there. It was agreed to remove the lawnmower to a more appropriate place and Cllr Jervis offered to take the wood and scaffold posts. Cllr Crofts pointed out that the scaffold posts had a value. Cllr Jervis agreed to remove them. It was further noted that the carpet had not been renewed, the benches had not been reupholstered which had been on the list of items to be renewed under the insurance claim dealt with solely by Mr Berry. The replacement kitchen units were of a poor standard and workmanship was poor – it was reported that the cost on the insurance for this had been approx £4,000 – this would be investigated.

15. Meeting - Cllr K Hesketh and Chair of N Lincs to take place next week

16. Community centre matters.

It was reported from various councilors that items had been discovered to be missing – which had definitely been in the community centre when SKCC took over. These included optics in the bar, the Halloween decorations for the party, the expensive Christmas tree donated by Conoco Phillips, glass jugs, trays, bar mats, the karcher window cleaner amongst them. It was agreed a list would be drawn up and checked and a letter would be sent to SKCC asking where they were.

Cllr Robinson agreed to look into restocking the first aid boxes as they were badly depleted.

17. Delegates reports

Cllr Jervis reported that she and Cllr Evans had attended a meeting which she had discovered was taking place by a chance conversation with Roy Hindmarsh. This was monitoring at Killingholme Summit. It was the second meeting of its kind (previously referred to in public forum). It considered Lancaster Approach and pollution, heavy traffic on Greengate Lane and Baptist Chapel Lane amongst others. There would be another meeting in 3 months time. Concern was expressed that the South Killingholme Parish Council had not been informed of either meeting. It was disclosed that John Berry had been on the information list – and whether this invitation had gone to his home address and not been passed to the parish council was not known

18. North Lincolnshire Councillors Reports – no ward councilors were present.

19. Police matters

None

20. Parish matters

Complaints had been made about Minorities (formerly Schenker) operating outside the times of their licence. The site had two ends, the southern end could operate from 7am till 10pm. Martin Wilson had sent an email from the council stating that there had been no contravention of the planning order. The firm stated that they had been doing this for 10 years and so could apply for a certificate of lawful development.

Complaints had been received of dog mess around the village. More signs would be requested asking people to take the dog mess home. It was stated it was a legal requirement to carry two bags per dog. (?) It was proposed that environmental health be asked to come to the village. Cllr Jervis suggested a good approach would be to go into the school and give a talk to the children. Children can often influence their parents for good.

Dropped kerbs had been requested by Cllr Evans for improved access to the community centre. A sign for “Moat Lane” was requested. There was no sign either on Hewitts Row it was stated.

21. This to be an agenda item next month.

22. Date and time of next meeting: Weds 1st November

At this point, the public were asked to leave the room.