# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF GUNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

#### HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26th AUGUST 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Cllrs Lesley Jeffery (Chairperson)

Mick Bowles
Chris Cope (A)
Tony Everington (A)
Peter Platten

Tom Littlefair
Jan Smith

Also present were the Clerk Gordon Oldham (TC) and Cllr Roger Jackson (Notts CC and NSDC).

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Tony Everington and Chris Cope.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### 3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> July were agreed as a true record and were signed by the Chairperson.

#### 4. THE PARISH PLAN

Discussion was held on the best way of updating the present Parish Plan to reflect the changes in the Village. The following points were raised and agreed:

- ♣ Volunteers would be sought via the web site and word of mouth.
- ♣ A chairperson would be appointed.
- ♣ During a consultation period, a questionnaire would be published on the web site, delivered to every home in the Village and made available at the Friday Morning Club.
- ♣ The consultation period would end in time for Members to process and consider the results at October's PC meeting.
- TC will scan the existing Questionnaire and distribute to Members to consider possible updates.
- The Rural Community Council were extremely helpful in developing the original Plan
   TC will contact them to ask if they can help again.
- ♣ Cllr Littlefair has some literature from a private firm who may be able to help TC to contact.

#### 5. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Members agreed to the purchase of two large (600m) diamond-shaped 'Dogs on Leads' signs at a cost of £90. Cllr Bowles informed the meeting that he had been unable to contact Richard Covill of RC Services, regarding grass and hedge cutting. TC will try again.

#### 6. PLANNING

Members expressed dismay at another planning decision made by NSDC, 10A Brookland Close. The Parish Council had reservations about this application, on the grounds that the proposed house was of a disproportionate size and that there were access issues. Submission to a full planning committee was therefore requested by Cllr Jackson and agreed by NSDC. When the Agenda for the appropriate meeting was published it was noted that there was to be no associated site meeting. This was considered by GPC to be unsatisfactory and Cllr Jackson requested a deferment of the planning application. This was agreed by NSDC. Members were therefore surprised and very disappointed to learn that the application had been discussed at the planning meeting and approved. TC was asked to write to Matt Lamb regarding this matter and to the Chief Exec requesting a meeting to discuss this and previous decisions.

Cllr Jeffery gave a brief summary of the background to this building plot – it was previously owned by Newark & Sherwood and sold several years ago with outline planning permission. Although the planning permission had been renewed once or twice, it was felt that the current proposal was very different from the original. There was discussion regarding Pontefino's – Member debated whether it may be considered a 'Community Asset'.

# Newark and Sherwood DC applications

None

#### Newark and Sherwood DC decisions

> 15/00709/FUL - Erection of 3 Bed Detached Dwelling and associated works - 10A Brookland Close - although called in, the application was approved.

## 7. THE RIVERSIDE PROJECT, GRAVEL EXTRACTION AND FLOOD ALLEVIATION

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

## 8. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr Jackson informed Members that a meeting with Newark & Sherwood Homes at Brookland Close had been arranged but N&S Homes didn't turn up. RJ to pursue. Following Cllr Platten's meeting with Eddie Brennan (NCC) regarding Common and Green lands, the latter wrote to Cllr Platten summarising the issues. This will be passed to Cllr Jackson.

Cllr Jackson reported that there had been a number of complaints about the traffic signals at the 'bus plug', Burton Joyce.

TC was asked to pursue the drains plans from Matt Duckworth. It was noted that the slope road has been tidied.

# 9. CORRESPONDENCE

Public contracts Regulations 2015 – Bus Timetable impact on standing orders.

## 10. VILLAGE HALL, PLAYFIELD & PLAYPARK

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

#### 11. FINANCE

Members authorised payment of accounts as per the following schedule:

Chq No	PSNo		Net Total	VAT	TOTAL
176	111	Clerk's Salary / Expenses	386.62		386.62
177	112	Post Office (HMRC)	78.80		78.80
		Total expenditure for meeting	465.42	0.00	465.42
		Total expenditure to date	4,031.20	235.62	4,266.82

#### 12. OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

#### 13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 in the Village Hall commencing 7.15 pm.