Minutes of a Meeting of Gunthorpe Parish Council

Held on Wednesday 26th October 2016 in the Village Hall

Councillors Present

Mick Bowles (MB) Chairman, Chris Cope (CC), Tony Everington (TE), Jan Smith (JS). Jane Simpson (JeS), Peter Platten (PP) (Minutes Secretary)

1. Apologies

Lesley Jeffery (□) and Roger Jackson (RJ)(District Councillor)

2. Declaration of Interests

None

3. Officers of the Council

TE was proposed and unanimously voted Deputy Chairman

Prior to the meeting candidates were interviewed for the post of Parish Clerk. Following a proposal from the interviewing subcommittee, candidate Yvonne Greenfield (YG) will be offered the position. Chairman MB will contact both candidates, and agree a contract with YG.

4. Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes for the September meeting were agreed and signed off by both MB and TE.

5. Open session for the public

No others present

6. Traffic and Highways

No issues for discussion

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7. Flooding / Dykes and Drains

Message from RJ noting IDB were to investigate the proposal to install a new culvert under Main Street and realign the open Hall Drain around "Shaneys" field.

MB to contact and liaise with RJ

8. Tree Preservation Order (TPO)

The TPO for the large Sycamore Tree Sited on the Common Land fronting the Unicorn Hotel to be resubmitted to the Newark and Sherwood Council.

9. Litter bins

Agreement by the council to purchase litter bins to be located at both the Bus roundabout and the road verge adjacent "The Bridge and Bayleaf".

Agreement to be confirmed with RJ.

10. Riverside

The rededication service is planned for Saturday 12th November. Councillors to post invites to all houses in the village.

The land transfer from Marston's, to enable realignment of the Bridle path, has been finalised.

11. Electrical Supplies

JeS to contact Western Power for quotation for the connection of an electrical supply to terminate on the grass verge of the slip road, ready to use with Christmas lights.

RJ to be contacted for funding.

CC to contact electrician for connection of supplies to the defibrillator proposed location on the exterior of the wall fronting Tom Browns.

11. Clerks Report (Submitted by JS)

Grass cutting invoice agreed for payment.

Taxes for the year paid.

Actions to be taken during transfer of clerking responsibilities:

- 1 Bank Mandate to be transferred, by incoming clerk
- 2 Use of former clerk's web site to be agreed with new clerk
- 3 File listings to be notified to new clerk
- 4 Contact details to be handed to new clerk
- 5 SLCC membership to be investigated by new clerk

Agreement for continuation of village Hall bills to be paid by GPC.

13. Planning Matters

None for discussion

14. Village Hall and field

Clearance around and pruning of trees, planted around periphery of playing field, has been started by Ralph Richardson.

RJ to be contacted for funding.

15. Finance

Payment agreed for all invoices presented to October 16th, sheet 7 enclosed.

16. Parish Plan

No action to date

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 23rd 2016, commencing 7.15pm