

Minutes of the Averham, Kelham and Staythorpe Parish Council

15th February 2022

7pm, Robin Hood Theatre, Averham

Present: Cllrs A Fereday (chair), Cllrs S Emeny, J Allan, J Cobley, V Hurd, I Bradey, J Miller, N Morrel
Cllr S Saddington (part) Cllr R Blaney (part)

Two members of the public were also present

Ex-officio: Sue Jackson, Clerk

Absent: None

AKS 22-01	Apologies received. Cllr K Nickson	
AKS 22-02	Declarations of interest from Members in any item to be discussed. Cllrs Emeny and Bradey both declared their spouses were on the organising committee for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.	
AKS 22-03	Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting held 30 th November 2021 were approved.	
AKS 22-05	Matters arising from the previous meeting, not covered in the agenda. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair to update the website Done, the website is now up to date. The Plough newsletter is in need of a new editor as the current one is looking to retire. The Chair has been asked if the Parish Council could take on the administration of the website. It was proposed that the PC merged certain elements of The Plough's website with the Parish Council's website and this was agreed. J Allan to look into the availability of grants for a Parish Plan – Grants are available. Cllr Bradey to draft a submission for The Plough asking for volunteers to form a sub-committee and send to the Clerk to submit. Due by 20th February 2022. The Chair to ask NSDC if he is able to attend the hearing for the license at Kelham Hall and speak as the Chair of the Parish Council. The Chair and Cllr Morrell did attend the hearing (in a private capacity as residents). The license was approved with none of the restrictions which had previously been applied to an earlier license. The Chair & Cllr Morrell (as residents) have objected to the license and will attend the appeal on 21st February 2022 at Nottingham Magistrates Court. The Clerk to check the availability of the meeting room for future meetings- Done, the room has been booked through to April 2023 Cllr Blaney arrived 	I Bradey
AKS 22-04	Reports from County Councillor and District Councillor	

	<p>This item was discussed after Matters Arising due to the late arrival of Cllrs Saddington and Blaney who had attended another meeting at NSDC.</p> <p>Cllr Blaney reported that a power outage had affected all barriers on the Castle Line between Lowdham and Newark on Monday 14th February. Although this was rectified, the axle counters did not reset so the barriers did not reopen in some instances, causing massive disruption.</p> <p>Work to rectify the road surface at Newark Castle crossing may not be until May 2022.</p> <p>Cllr Saddington arrived</p> <p>Cllr Blaney will look into the granting of the license for Kelham Hall, were any conditions considered and if not, why not?</p> <p>Cllr Miller asked about the private contractor who issue fines for fly tipping, Cllr Blaney said there would be a report online.</p> <p>Cllr Hurd asked about enforcement notices for planning breaches. Planning Officers rely on members of the public reporting potential breaches</p> <p>Cllr Hurd asked about a footpath which was closed when Staythorpe Power Station was refurbished and never reopened. Cllr Hurd to send the clerk a map showing the path, The Clerk to query it with Notts County Council</p> <p>Cllr Blaney Left</p> <p>Cllr Saddington reported that Nottinghamshire Day would be 25th August and celebrations would be held at Newark Castle. The Cycling Tour of Britain would return to the county on 8th September, no route known as yet.</p> <p>Platinum Jubilee celebrations – a small grant, in the region of £200, from the Divisional Fund is available to parishes. The Clerk to request a portion of the grant from Cllr Saddington</p> <p>Cllr Saddington left</p>	<p>V Hurd/ The Clerk</p> <p>The Clerk</p>
AKS 22-06	<p>Questions and comments from Members of the Public:</p> <p>Cllr Emeny has been asked by the daughter of Tom Elliott when the plaque commemorating his service to the Parish Council would be mounted. To be added to the agenda for the next meeting</p> <p>Cllr Emeny has been asked by Cllr Nickson to loan the PA system, all agreed. The Clerk to forward a loan form for completion.</p> <p>HM Platinum Jubilee – The Parish Council had agreed at the September meeting (minute AKS21-85) to purchase a tree for each village to commemorate the Jubilee. Budget provision was agreed at the Finance Committee meeting in January, subject to ratification at this meeting. Councillors from each village to seek a suitable location for each tree and report back at the next meeting.</p>	<p>The Clerk</p> <p>The Clerk/S Emeny/K Nickson</p> <p>All Councillors</p>
AKS 22-07	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Green Champions Scheme NSDC – The Chair to enquire about the 2nd bin originally promised by NSDC.</p>	

	<p>This new scheme will provide bags, grabbers and hi-vis to volunteer litter pickers. All agreed this was necessary and to support the scheme. The Clerk to notify NSDC of the expression of interest.</p> <p>Dog Waste Bins – Although there are problems with people not using the bins, it was felt there were enough provided.</p> <p>Sustrans Cycle Route – The requirement for a 3mtr wide path makes the provision of a cycle route between Newark and Averham unlikely. The Chair to have follow up conversation with Sustrans to establish viability.</p>	<p>The Clerk</p> <p>Chair</p>
AKS 22-08	<p>Planning Applications: None</p> <p>Planning Decisions: 21/02271/FUL Home Office – Permitted 21/02605/HOUSE – Erect Conservatory - Permitted</p>	
AKS-22-09	<p>Finance Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022-23 Precept – Cllr Miller reported on the Finance Sub Committee meeting held 18th January. A 3.5% increase of the precept would balance the budget to zero. An increase of 5% to allow for a small increase in funds was proposed and seconded and this was voted on and agreed by The Council. The Clerk to inform NSDC of the required precept • Replacement Laptop for the Clerk – The current laptop is very slow, a £400 - £500 expenditure on a new laptop was proposed, seconded and agreed by those present. The Clerk to source a replacement laptop • Platinum Jubilee Expenditure – A discussion took place on the proposed celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee. The organising committee to inform the Parish Council in writing what is proposed and how much funding they are requesting from the Parish Council. The Clerk to add to the agenda for the next meeting <p>Approve payments to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domain Renewal – 123Reg £14.39 inc VAT • Bank Charges to 8/1/22 – HSBC £5 • NALC 'Year End' Training S Jackson - £30 • Refurbishment of shed used to store tables & chairs J Miller £33.02 • Provision of 3 trees, stakes, ties and commemorative plaques – up to £450 <p>All approved. Cllr Emeny to check with the diocese on the requirements for planting trees in churchyards</p>	<p>The Clerk</p> <p>The Clerk</p> <p>The Clerk</p> <p>S Emeny</p>
AKS 22-10	<p>Parish Councillors' Reports</p> <p>Cllr Allan reported that the pads in the defibrillator at Averham School need replacing, The Clerk to order A46 Bye Pass – an online presentation of the preferred route is being held for elected representatives of local stakeholders on</p>	<p>The Clerk</p>

	23 rd February. Cllr Miller will attend on behalf of the Parish Council	J Miller
AKS 22-11	Date of the next Parish Council Meeting - Tuesday 29 th March 2022 at 7:00pm. To be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 6:30pm Both to be held at the Robin Hood Theatre	
	The meeting closed at 8.50 pm	

Chairman: 

Date: 29/3/22