

## MINUTES

### HACONBY & STAINFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017 AT 7.15 PM

**Present:** Councillors Brian Blackbourn, Jonathan Blackbourn,  
Philippa Dixon-Warren, David Winn

Temporary Clerk – Mrs Wendy Gray

LCC Councillor – Sue Woolley

No Members of the Public

In the absence of the Chairman who had tendered his resignation via email today it was unanimously agreed that Cllr David Winn would chair the meeting

**1. Interim Chairman's Introduction and Announcements**

**2. Apologies for Absence**

Chairman P Fisher, Cllr R Dixon-Warren

**3. Police/PCSO Report**

PCSO Jason Possnett ([Jason.possnett@lincs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Jason.possnett@lincs.pnn.police.uk)) reported very quiet village up until last evening when persons deliberately drove through concrete that had just been laid – under investigation.

Hare Coursing on NYE at end of the village over the bridge, PCSO's speaking to all the farmers and keeping an eye on things – directed us to website Lincolnshire Police page on Hare Coursing. Cllr P Dixon-Warren advised will download copies for Notice boards and Face book. NFU Bourne branch – will also provide information if requested.

Bird Flu – all poultry to be kept under cover – again on the website there is government information that we may find useful – Cllr P Dixon-Warren will also look at downloading information for Notice boards and Face book

**4. Public Questions, Comments or Representations**

No members of the public present.

**5. LCC Update**

530,000 people visited Lincoln Castle to see the Poppies.

Horrendous amount of road works leading into Lincoln.

Garden Town, Grantham – lot of work being done already.

Opportunity for Senior Drivers Course (refresher) anyone over the age of 60 get in touch with Road Safety Partnership (01522 805802).

Avian Flu in Lincolnshire (farm near East Lindsey).

Bourne Town Hall change of lease has been agreed, next step allowing the building to be changed from what it was agreed to be used for 100 years ago.

Road Notices - increase in deaths in last year?

Cllr Winn asked if Cllr Woolley knew of anyone within LCC who could advise us on the problem with the Horse Chestnut Tree – Cllr Woolley will see if she can find out and let us know who (if anyone) to contact. **Prior to typing of minutes a Mr Robbie Bonner of LCC has already been in touch reference the land on which the chestnut tree stands.**

6. **SKDC Update**  
Nothing to Report.
7. **Disclosure of Interests**  
No interests were disclosed.
8. **Minutes**  
Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016 be signed as a correct record – proposed Cllr P Dixon-Warren, seconded Cllr J Blackburn – all in favour.
9. **Matters arising from the previous minutes**
10. **Administrative Report and Correspondence Received**  
Nothing further to report.
11. **Invoices to be agreed for payment**  
Chattles – printing of newsletter £58.00
12. **Planning Applications Update**  
None.
13. **Business Items:**
  - a) **Finance**  
Once all outstanding files received Parish Clerk will check that all information with regards to PAYE has been updated i.e. P45 done for previous clerk etc and will then add her details at the same time. If no further information is forthcoming will speak with HMRC direct.
  - b) **Parish Precept** – from previous working party meeting it was very apparent that we would have to look at requesting an increase for 2017-2018. Following further discussions and taking into account increasing insurance costs, grass cutting/verge maintenance will be responsibility of PC (instead of LCC) with added costs, bus shelter repairs, Parish Clerk wages and no increase has been made for the last 4 years – **Resolution:** Cllr Winn proposed, seconded Cllr P Dixon-Warren, all in favour that we make a request for 100% increase giving a total precept of £1520. It was felt an explanatory note to all residents explaining the situation would be a good idea.
  - c) **Haconby Horse Chestnut Tree** – Agenda item for AGM. Cllr P Dixon-Warren will prepare information to go on Parish Council Face book page to alert the village on the position with the tree and seek their opinions on what they want to do.
  - d) **Clerk – Resolution:** Cllr Winn proposed, seconded Cllr J Blackburn “that H&SPC considers the appointment of a permanent Parish Clerk and RFO and an advisory committee be set up to examine and report on the Clerk’s contract, terms of reference and delegated authority with recruitment and appointment process to be agreed by the AGM on 17<sup>th</sup> May with a view to placing advertisement as soon as possible thereafter”, all in favour.
  - e) **Parish Councillor Vacancy** – SKDC have confirmed that H&SPC can now co-opt. Following resignation of Cllr P Fisher SKDC to be advised of further resignation asap. A working party will be set up to agree format etc for co-option/interview process.
  - f) **Allotments** – working party to be set up.

**g) Churchyard Maintenance** – no further news at this moment in time.

**h) “Chattle”** – brief discussion on whether we should continue with this format. Cllr Winn proposed, seconded Cllr B Blackbourn, all in favour that we discontinue for the time being and review at a later date.

**14. Any Other Business: Items for next meeting and issues/points arising from discussion for future discussion/resolution.**  
State of footpath from lay-by (Haconby Spinney) – item to be included in allotment discussions.

**15. Close of Meeting.**  
The meeting closed at 21:03 hrs.

**Approved:** .....

Councillor David Winn (Interim Chairman)