Minutes of the Meeting of the Horbling Parish Council held on Thursday, 30th August, 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Meeting Room, Horbling

Present: Mr. D Campsill, Chairman

Mrs. J. Wesley Miss P Covell Mr A Daubney Miss L Brown Dr M Kierstan Mr. M. Jackson

Parish Clerk: Mrs. I Campsill

1250.378.18 Welcome by Chairman

The Chairman welcomed the residents of Donington Road who had come to ask the Council for their assistance regarding the dykes on Donington Road. They were concerned that the policy of the South Kesteven District Council to only contract the Black Sluice to clear on an annual basis, put the area at risk of flooding. This situation was made worse by the open lorries travelling through the village depositing straw which clogged up the gulleys and drains. They were also asking as to ownership of the dyke. After discussion, it was agreed that this should be something brought to the attention of the District Councillor who may be able to look into this.

1251.378.18 Appointment of Vice-Chairman.

It was agreed unanimously to appoint Mr Matt Jackson as Vice-Chairman.

1252.378.18 Apologies for Absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

1253.378.18 Declarations

There were no declarations of interest.

1254.378.18 Minutes of last meeting held on Thursday, 24th May, 2018

These were agreed with no amendment.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

1255.378.18 Community Wildlife Grant. Miss Brown outlined the application she had put together for the Community Wildlife Grant which would include an information board and wildflower planting around Spring Wells and towards Green Lane. Miss Brown was thanked for her work and asked to submit the application.

1256.378.18 Refund of contribution from Wind Turbine campaign. Dr. Kierstan gave the Clerk a cheque for £150.00 which was a refund of the contribution made to the Wind Turbine campaign

1257.379.18 Risk management, insurances and asset register. Dr Kierstan reported that he was now confident that the insurances of the Council were appropriate with no amendment necessary. However he still required clarification re the asset register and it was agreed that he should contact the external auditor direct.

1257.379.18 Possible purchase of a de-fibrillator. After consideration of the two possible quotations for an external de-fibrillator, it was agreed that the local contact, Mr Andrew Deptford should be contacted to provide a de-fibrillator to be positioned on the wall of the Meeting Room. An article should then be written for the Parish News drawing attention to it.

CORRESPONDENCE

1258.379.18 State of pavement on Donington Road. A letter had been received again drawing attention to the state of the pavement on Donington Road. The Clerk had reported it through the Highways Fault reporting system and also suggested that the resident should report it as well. It was felt that this could be brought to the attention of the Highways Department on a future walkround the village.

1259.379.18 Request from Horbling PCC. A request had been circulated with the agenda for a possible donation to help support the Harvest Street Party on 22nd September. It was agreed that Mr Jackson should raise at the next meeting of the organising committee meeting, that the Council would make a contribution of £250 towards the provision of a children's entertainer.

1260.379.18 Request for assistance re the dyke on Donington Road. This had been discussed at the beginning of the meeting.

1261.379.18 Request for assistance towards cost of attending World Scout Jamboree. A letter had been received from two members of the Billingborough and Horbling Scout Group asking for assistance towards the cost of attending the World Scout Jamboree in America in 2019. It was agreed to make a donation of £50 to each Scout.

1262.379.18 District Councillor's Community Fund. It was agreed to suggest the Billingborough and Horbling Scout Group to benefit from the District Councillor's community fund.

1263.379.18 Signage on Mill Lane. A request was before the Council regarding support for more prominent signs regard HGVs on Mill Lane. It was noted that these were standard signs put up by the Highways Department but would be discussed with the Highways Department on a future walk around the village.

FINANCIAL REPORT

1264.380.18 Treasurer's report. It was agreed unanimously to accept the Treasurer's report circulated with the agenda.

1265.380.18 Payments since the last meeting. It was agreed unanimously that the payments made since the last meeting and circulated with the agenda be approved.

HIGHWAYS – UPDATE

1266.380.18 Condition of Horbling Fen Drove. The state of the road on the Horbling Fen Drove had been reported to the Highways Department by the Parish Clerk and users of the road. It was felt that this was in such a dangerous state of report, this should be escalated to the District Councillor to see if he could bring pressure for this to be repaired.

1267.380.18 Weed overgrowth on pavement on Billingborough Road. Mr Jackson agreed to follow up with the Scouts leader to see if the removal of overgrowth on the pavement on Billingborough Road was something the Scouts could undertake.

THE MEETING ROOM AND THE PLOUGH INN

1268.380.18 New Sign at The Plough Inn. Two quotations had been received for the work on the replacement sign for the Plough Inn. It was agreed that the Council would meet 50% of this cost but would like to see the specifications for the two quotes.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1269.380.18 Conversion of former residents lounge in Toller Court to 5 bedroom bungalow. There had been no comments regarding this planning application.

1270.380.18 POSSIBLE SETTING UP OF CONSERVATION AREA

Dr M Kierstan reported that there was no update to report.

1271.380.18 SELECTION PROCESS FOR CO-OPTING OF NEW COUNCILLORS

The Clerk reported that due to time restraints, she had not been able to follow up on this. It was agreed that Dr Kierstan would look into this and it should be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

1272.380.18 Representative on the Bourne and Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel. Dr Kierstan agreed to become the Council's representative on the Bourne and Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel.

ANY OTHER ITEMS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION

There was no items for urgent discussion.

1273.381.18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Thursday, 22nd November, 2018, at 7.30 pm.

The Meeting then went into closed session.

1274.381.18 Recruitment of Parish Clerk. The Clerk reported that three applications, all Parish Clerks, had been received for the vacancy and had been invited for interview on Tuesday, 4th September. It was agreed that Mr Campsill, Mr Jackson and Miss Brown would interview.

Signed	Chairman
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