

**Minutes of a Meeting of Horbling Parish Council held on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm (supplemented by matters arising from the meeting held on the 22nd June 2022) in the Meeting Room, Horbling**

Present: Miss L Brown Chair  
Mrs J Wesley  
Mr P Wesley  
Mrs K Lunn  
Mr G Stonestreet

Parish Clerk: Mr I Sismey

The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting which constituted the Parish Annual Meeting..

**1691.502.22 Appointment of Chairman and the Chairman to sign their declaration of office**

**Proposed J Wesley, Seconded P Wesley**

**RESOLVED: For Cllr L Brown to be elected chair for the year 2022/2023**

**1692.502.22 Appointment of Vice Chair and the Vice Chair to sign the declaration of office.**

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded P Wesley**

**RESOLVED: For Cllr J Wesley to be elected Vice Chair for the year 2022/2023**

**1693.502.22 Apologies for absence and acceptance of reasons given**

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To approve the apologies for absence from Cllr J Gale.**

**1694.502.22 Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

**1695.502.22 To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within this Parish, have any intention to speak under any agenda items of this meeting.**

None were present

**1696.502.22 To adopt the notes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as a true record and to resolve for the chair to sign them.**

**Proposed J Wesley, Seconded P Wesley**

**RESOLVED: For the chair to sign the notes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as a true record.**

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**

**1697.503.22 Conservation update (This was subject to a separate agenda item)**

**1698.503.22 The Plough Lease (This was subject to a separate agenda item)**

**1699.503.22 Emergency Planning**

The clerk informed members that this was clearly an important topic would need a meeting with the chair to finalise the document.

**1700.503.22 Community Speed Watch**

This item was subject of a separate agenda item.

**1701.503.22 Community Land**

The Chair reported that although this item was still relevant it was not a current priority and would continue to be added to the Council Agenda until such time that further information was forthcoming.

**1702.503.22 Plough Inn Lease**

This item was subject of a separate agenda item.

**1703.503.22 Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

Cllr Brown informed members that the celebrations would be very much a slimmed Down program of events.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June evening entertainment organised by Cllr G Stonestreet.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June all food for street party organised by Cllr Lunn and Cllr Brown and will be stored in the Plough. Mr Daubney will ensure all bunting is installed in Spring Lane.

Cllr Brown continued that all chairs/tables etc would be erected on the Sunday Morning. The street party was to run from 1.00pm-4.00pm.

An update from the meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June was that the Celebrations had Been a tremendous success and thanks should go to all involved.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**1704.504.22** The clerk produced a list of correspondence for the members to receive.

The clerk informed the members that should they wish to inspect any item of correspondence then they should contact him direct.

A) *For Information only – to be received en bloc*

- a) RSN Rural Bulletin
- b) LALC - ENews
- c) NALC – Chief Executives Bulletin
- d) SKDC Planning Lists
- e) Linconshire CVS - Newsbite
- f) SKDC Planning Lists
- g) Rural Services Network – News Digest
- h) LALC – Enews Update 08.02.22
- i) NALC – Chief Executives Bulletin
- j) LALC- LALC News May 2022
- k) NALC – Legal update April 2022
- l) SKDC Planning Lists
- m) LALC – Enews Update
- n) Rural Services Network – Rural Bulletin
- o) Rural Services Network – Rural Funding Digest
- p) NALC – National Council Star Awards
- q) Neighbourhood Policing Team News
- r) Rural Services Network – Rural Bulletin
- s) LALC – Enews Update

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To receive the above items en bloc**

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

**1705.504.22** To complete the annual governance statement

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To approve the annual governance statement**

**1706.504.22** To receive the signed off report from the internal auditor for the year ended 31.03.22

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To receive and approve the internal audit report**

**1707.505.22** To approve the returns for the external auditor for the year ended 31.03.22

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To approve the returns for the external auditor**

#### **1708.505.22 Approval of Payments since last meeting**

The clerk presented a list of payments to the members totalling £ 2,454.03

**Proposed G Stonestreet, Seconded K Lunn**

**RESOLVED: To approve the payments as listed totalling £ 2,454.03**

#### **1709.505.22 Approval of Treasurers Report**

The clerk presented the Income & Expenditure Account for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. This had previously been agreed at the meeting dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

#### **1710.505.22 Renewal of Insurance**

The clerk informed the members of the all risk insurance renewal for the council at a premium of £1,190.58.

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded J Wesley**

**RESOLVED: To approve the insurance renewal at a premium of £1,190.58**

#### **1711.505.22 Budgeting**

The clerk presented the budget for the New Year.

#### **1712.505.22 Grants**

The clerk raised the pending grant application from the Aveland Jubilee group. The members discussed the project and agreed that as it was not particular to Horbling any available monies would be better spent in the village.

#### **1713.505.22 Highways Update.**

The clerk informed members that the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership had accepted the Parish Council's application to participate in the Community Speed Watch scheme and that following conversations with resident Andy Tagg this initiative would now be taken forward. Mr Tagg agreed to attend training with the Billingborough CSW group.

Mr Tagg provided costings for the Parish Council who agreed to purchase all equipment to enable the start-up of the scheme as listed:

a)	Passive Speed Notices	£70.00
b)	Advisory Signs	£167.64
c)	Hi Viz Jackets	£118.20
d)	Radar Speed Gun	£196.50
e)	Click Counter	£9.99

Total £562.33

The Parish Council agreed to consider the purchase of an up to date speed indicating devices at a future meeting.

### **1714.506.21 Conservation Status Update**

The Chair again appraised the members of the history of the Conservation Status for Horbling which had been in process for the past 4 years.

Despite assurances from SKDC the promised progress had still not come to fruition and the chair stated that patience was wearing thin.

The Chair, Cllr Brown, therefore requested the assistance of SKDC Cllr J Hansen, who was present, in trying to obtain some movement on the issue.

Cllr Hansen agreed to get involved and would make contact with the Conservation Officer within the immediate future and report back to the Council.

Cllr Brown made a request of Cllr Hansen to see if he could add any weight to resolving the Parish Council issues with the Conservation Status.

## **THE MEETING ROOM AND THE PLOUGH INN**

### **1715.506.22 General Update**

The chair reported to the members that that the current occupant had now left the premises and had handed most of the keys to her, some keys had been left with the outgoing tenant to enable her to remove her final possessions.

It was agreed that although the outgoing tenant should be given time to remove them items a deadline should be given to enable the final clearance.

**Proposed P Wesley, Seconded K Lunn**

**RESOLVED: That Cllr P Wesley would organise the clearance of any final items from the premises.**

### **1715A.507.22 Lease**

The chair went on to assure members that it would be weeks rather than months before the new lease was signed by the incoming tenant. The chair continued that it was common knowledge as to the identity of the proposed new lease holder.

The clerk reported that a new EPC certificate should be issued imminently.

Cllr Stonestreet enquired as to the fixtures and fittings that were an integral part of the pub, Cllr Brown responded that these would be subject to a separate agreement between the outgoing tenant and the incoming tenant.

It was discussed and agreed that:

*The Parish Council agree to enter into a new lease for the Plough Inn, 4 Spring Lane, Horbling, following the departure of the outgoing tenant, with George Bateman and son Ltd, at a negotiated rent of £12,000 per annum for a period of 10 years with a break clause after 5 years.*

*That the above lease can be signed by any two authorised members of the Parish Council.*

**Proposed L Brown, Seconded K Lunn**

**RESOLVED: The agreement as stated above.**

### **1715B.507.22 Insurance**

The clerk reported that the pub insurance was due for renewal and that although this is generally a cost for the tenant it still needed to be continued.

**Proposed P Wesley, Seconded L Brown**

**RESOLVED: To renew the Pub insurance as discussed**

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The clerk presented the following applications to the Council members:

**1716.507.22 Application S22/0884 Mr R Elton**

**Proposal Removal of 1950 Glazing**

**Location The Old School, 1 High Street, Horbling**

**There was various discussion with regard to this listed building consent and the chair advised that she would seek further professional advice before commenting.**

**1718.507.22 To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or representatives on other organisations**

**SKDC Cllr Jan Hansen raised the following issues:**

1. That SKDC customer services were returning to normal business parameters although they will only be operating between the hours of 9.00am-1.00pm with appointments outside of those times.
2. SKDC in line with the Jubilee celebrations will be lighting a Beacon in Grantham on Thursday evening the 2nd June.
3. That the roundabout on the A52 at Old Somerby is going to be completed imminently.
4. That there had been an internal leadership challenge at SKDC.
5. Cllr Hansen raised the ongoing issue of the A&E department at Grantham Hospital.
6. Cllr Hansen also raised the issue of speeding and the Parish Councils wish to introduce CSW.

**1719.508.22 To discuss any such information which the chair may legally bring to the Councils attention.**

Three items were discussed:

- a) Public Footpaths – Cllr Stonestreet was concerned with the condition of some of the local footpaths and the overhanging growth from bushes etc. The clerk said that he would take this matter up with LCC.
- b) Footbridge Ousermere Lode– The matter of the missing footbridge was again raised. The clerk informed members of the previous response that had been received from LCC that the bridge would be reinstated at some future date but was not part of their current works program.
- c) Dog Waste Bins – It was suggested that various additional dog waste bins were necessary. 1) lane leading from the end of the school, 2) End of Fen Road, 3) End of the nature reserve. The clerk said that he would investigate this.

**1720.507.22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be supplementary to the annual meeting and scheduled for the 22nd June 2022 6.00pm.

The meeting closed at 20.55Hrs

Signed ..... Chair

Date .....