

**A meeting of Wootton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 7.00pm in The School House.**

**PRESENT: Chairman:** Cllr G Horton  
Cllr B Firth, Cllr P Styche, Cllr R Campbell, Cllr C Simmonds.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr P Clark, Cllr D wells.  
Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**2017/01/01: Apologies for absence :** Cllr S Ormston, Cllr R Hannigan,

**2017/01/02: Declarations of interest on any agenda items :** None.

**2017/01/03: Adoption of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

The minutes of the meeting held in November 2016 had not been circulated and would therefore be considered for adoption at the next parish council meeting.

**2017/01/04: Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

- i) Finger Post sign – Cherry lane – N.L.C advise that there are not enough accidents or reported 'near miss' accidents to warrant a sign in this situation. Cllr Horton advised that an accident happened at this location on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017, with the air ambulance in attendance. The clerk was asked to advise N.L.C of this accident and ask them to reconsider a sign in this location.
- ii) Wooden finger post signs on High Street and Burnham crossroads – N.L.C have noted and sent to the construction department at N.L.C for repair/replacement asap.
- iii) Trees around the village pond – N.L.C have advised that they can undertake a 'walk over' tree risk assessment for £300.00. The meeting felt that this inspection was not necessary and agreed to monitor the trees themselves. It was also suggested that some lower branches and dead wood be removed from the trees – Cllr Simmonds or Campbell will ask R Altoft to look at undertaking this work. It was agreed to spend up to £50 for this work – if it is to cost more this matter will come back to the February meeting as an agenda item for consideration.

**2017/01/05: Planning Applications received:**

Opportunity for one person from each side to state within 3 minutes objections/support of contested applications.

- i) Application PA/2017/60 – Application to remove three trees identified as T14, T15 and T16 and prune T17 in and subject to Tree Preservation Order (Wootton) 1999.

**IT WAS RESOLVED** to report **NO OBJECTIONNS OR COMMENTS.**

**2017/01/06: Police Matters/NATS**

- i) NATS meeting – Anti social behaviour in South Killingholme and speeding vehicles in Ulceby and New Holland were the topics of discussion. Next meeting scheduled for 30/3/2017 at 6.30pm in Barrow Chapel.
- ii) New Police matters – No new Police matters to report.

**2017/01/07: North Lincolnshire Council Matters:**

- i. Report from NLC Ferry Ward Member Councillors: Cllr Clark advised the meeting that the three ferry ward councillors hold bi-monthly meetings with the highways department at N.L.C to progress outstanding highways matters in the ferry ward. Any outstanding matters should be brought to the councillors attention.
- ii. New matters to consider: The footpath on the south side of the high street needs attention and repair

**2017/01/08: Correspondence:** circulated list and items received too late for circulation.

VANL – training course diary

Rural Services Network – information

N.L.C – weekly road works list.

Clerks and Councils Direct magazine.

Response from Steve Harrison – N.L.C – regarding request for signage on Croxton Road.

Colin Harrison – N.L.C – response to tree assessment.

N.L.C – Register of electors for 2017

Response from N.L.C regarding request for wooden finger post repairs.

**2017/01/9: Finance**

i) **Accounts for payment:**

PAYEE	Cheque no'	Amount
Mrs Karen Pickering (Clerk) (Nov & Dec)	22174	260.56
HMRC – Dec	22175	31.00
N.L.C – Room Hire	22176	144.00

**The payment of the above accounts was proposed by Cllr S Ormston, seconded by Cllr R Campbell and unanimously agreed.**

**INCOME RECEIVED : 0**

**Bank Balance – after the above accounts have been paid the balance is £3,041.90**

- ii) To receive the income and expenditure sheet for the year to date indicating where expenditure is allocated during the year – circulated with minutes.
- iii) To give consideration and to set the precept for the financial year 2017/18  
The forward budget for 2017/18 was considered and it was agreed that some contingency must be made for pond maintenance – Lilys and reeds and for a contribution to the new notice board. **IT WAS RESOLVED** unanimously to set a precept of £6,300 for 2017/18.

**2016/11/10: Environmental and village issues:**

- a) Pond Lilies – Clerk has contacted Tim Allen on a number of occasions asking him to confirm when he will undertake the work on the pond. Cllr Clark kindly agreed to contact Tim Allen and remind him of this work.
- b) Village notice board – the village notice board needs repair or replacement. **IT WAS RESOLVED** unanimously that the clerk will obtain a quotation for a recycled, plastic timber notice board and apply for a grant through the community pot to purchase such a notice board.
- c) Green lane – vehicle movements on Green lane and top soil placed on the side of Green lane – clerk to ask the enforcement officer and Tim Allen to look into this matter and to check if a section of the green lane, where the top soil has been placed, does in fact belong to the property and is not part of the common land. Green Lane is registered as Common land – CL 22. Clerk to ask the enforcement officer and Tim Allen for their opinion on the traffic movements and top soil on this lane.
- d) New village matters to report: Clerk has chased the outstanding dog bin for High Street – it has now been ordered (belatedly) by N.L.C. There has been confusion with the collection of the brown bin rubbish but this should now be back on schedule. Cllr Firth advised the ferry ward councillors of the problems been encountered by residents trying to use the stagecoach bus service. The timetables have been altered without any notification and the service provided is not meeting the needs of residents. Cllr Firth suggested that all residents should be provided with a questionnaire to provide N.L.C and Stagecoach with the information of what is required by residents from the bus service. Cllr's Clark and Wells advised the meeting that N.L.C can only subsidise the bus service to a certain level and if Stagecoach are unwilling to provide a fuller service (as it is not financially viable) – N.L.C are not in a position to do anything about this. Ward Councillors did advise that the 'callconnect' service is there to fill the gaps of the stagecoach service – and it might be that a resident could undertake one leg of their journey by a stagecoach bus and return by booking the callconnect service.

Cllr Simmonds advised the meeting of the passing of Danny Danson who was a life long resident of the village.

**2016/10/11: Agenda items for next meeting**

**2016/10/12: Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7pm**

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.**