

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREETWELL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2016 IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NETTLEHAM

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs Rosemary Seal (Chair), Mrs Sarah Bates (Vice Chair),
Chris Thatcher, Mike Taylor, John Taylor, Tony Melrose
District Councillors Chris Darcel, Maureen Palmer and Mrs Anne Welburn,
Mrs Christine Myers (Clerk)
1 member of the public

86 – 16/17 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

Mr Paul Truelove of Truelove Property Ltd, attended the meeting as a member of the public, introducing himself as new owner of land in Nettleham bordering the parish of Greetwell. Mr Truelove produced plans of the land he had purchased. Mr Truelove offered support to the Parish Council in future litter picks/hedge trimming, if required. The Chair thanked Mr Truelove for attending.

87 – 16/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Keith Johnson.

88 – 16/17 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA -
None declared.

89 – 16/17 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7TH NOVEMBER 2016 FOR APPROVAL AND TO BE SIGNED AS MINUTES

Proposed, seconded and **Resolved** unanimously that the notes be signed as minutes.

90 – 16/17 POLICE MATTERS

Statistics for Greetwell for November 2016

TRANSPORT	
HAZARD	1
RTC	1
TRAFFIC OFFENCE	0
Total	3

91 – 16/17 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT - None received.

92 – 16/17 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

M Palmer and A Welburn - There is little news to report at this time of year. Discussion still goes on about next steps after the Combined Authority vote was vetoed by 2 councils - LCC and SK but it is not yet dead as the other councils involved are looking at several options including resubmission of an application for a combined authority of the Districts or Unitaries on one sort or another, more news will be available after 22nd December.

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West Lindsey offer a range of paid for services and leaflets will be distributed or you can find information on the web site but for those councils lucky enough to own their own office the new services include fire safety testing which can sometimes be difficult to obtain for small buildings. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Productive 2017.

93 – 16/17 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

- a) **Request to LCC Highways for crossing over A158** – nothing further to report.
- b) **Corner of Westfield Drive/Westfield Approach** – The resident had offered to lower the height of the hedge but the hedge had been cut prior to any further communication and unfortunately was not significantly lower.

The Police had confirmed that the owner of the trailer, previously parked on the corner, had been visited and it had now been moved.

However it was noted that a further vehicle was now parked in the location, propped up on bricks with a trailing electrical lead across the pavement, causing a trip hazard.

Resolved unanimously that the matter be referred to the Police.

c) Get Togethers:-

- I. **Wednesday 30th November 2016** – The event had been well attended by residents expecting to hear the Police and Crime Commissioner speak, however he had withdrawn his offer of attendance at short notice, sending his Deputy instead. The Chair had sent an email expressing her disappointment as the appointment had been booked for five months but had not received a reply.
- II. **Wednesday 9th August, 2017** - It was noted that cost of the speaker for this date would be £30.

- d) **Proposed defibrillator for parish** – The owners of the petrol station had agreed to the defibrillator being fixed on the wall of the building and connected to its electricity supply at no cost to the parish (Electricity supply required to power heater for cabinet in the event of temperature dropping below 5 degrees).

Mr John Bates, resident of Wragby Road East, had kindly offered to personally pay the £300 contribution required from the parish for the defibrillator. This offer was accepted and letter of thanks sent to Mr Bates from the Parish Council.

The Clerk had made application to WLDC for the defibrillator but at present Greetwell would be placed on the reserve list as all had currently been allocated.

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e) **Condition of footway along Westfield Drive** – Reply received from LCC Highways Officer:-

'I can confirm that the length of the odd numbered side is included on the next slurry seal programme which is provisionally programmed for April 2017. Unfortunately, due to financial constraints this programme was postponed in October 2016.

I have also inspected the section on the even numbered side from the corner to the A158, which has been slurry sealed in the recent past, and there appeared to be very little wrong with the surface at present. Accordingly, I do not currently plan to take any action along this section'

f) **Correspondence received since last meeting and circulated to Councillors:-**

- Healthwatch Lincolnshire Medication / Pharmacy Patient Questionnaire
- Lincolnshire Community and VC schools admissions policy consultation 2018
- 'No one should have no one at Christmas' campaign update for West Lindsey Town and Parish Councils – posters displayed in notice boards by Clerk
- Notice of Police Surgery 6th December 2016 - Nettleham Old School
- Community Lincs News Bulletin
- Lincolnshire County Council Autumn statement reaction
- Lincolnshire Pension Fund 2016 – Draft Results
- WYPF Employer Valuation Report
- Lincolnshire Pension Fund Report
- Two emails from Police and Crime Commissioner via LALC and Lincs Alert, asking for views in order for him to set his budget,
- WLDC notice of meetings January – April 2017
- Information Commissioner newsletter
- Update from LCC on bypass
- Notice of Lincs Pension Fund annual employer meeting 15.2.2017
- Tesco Bags of Help grant information

94 – 16/17 THE CHASE PLAY AREA – PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS – REPORT

The play equipment inspections for December had revealed that caps were missing on the spring mounted bike and lion spring see-saw. The lock was also missing on the access gate.

The cost for replacement caps would be £34.

Resolved unanimously that the caps be replaced at the above cost and a lock supplied for the gate.

95 – 16/17 ISLAND ON WESTFIELD AVENUE – GRASS CUTTING 2017

It was noted that following its grass cutting review the County Council would not be cutting the island/roundabout on Westfield Avenue during 2017. Suggestions were made of sowing the area with wild flowers. **Resolved** unanimously that notification to residents be made in the next newsletter.

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96 – 16/17 FINANCE

A) To set budget and Precept for 2017/2018 – Careful consideration was given to the budget figures for the next financial year taking into account the following and funds required:-

Funds in Norwich and Peterborough BS at 30.11.2016 = £5984.43, includes funds held in Events budget = £393.72

The Chase account stands at £19,522.35

Funds spent to date on The Chase £968.83 + £100.00 administrative charge. To be reimbursed to the main parish council account when the Annual Bond matures in August 2017.

Precept 2017/18	Amount required
Administration:- Clerks Salary, superannuation, expenses Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils membership Room hire for meetings Computer cartridges/stationery Councillors/Clerks training/mileage for attendance on courses/lunches Information Commissioner annual fee	£5014.28
Insurance	£250.00
Internal Audit fees	£80.00
Chairman's allowance	Nil
Donations	Nil
Flower tubs	£125.00
Newsletter	£300.00
Get Together's	£200.00
Council Tax Support	£881.26
Events Budget	£200.00
Total	£7050.54

£100 administration charge to be taken from The Chase account = £6950.54

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Reserves at year end to be used for:

Any future election costs –

Contested election costs as advised by WLDC = £2070.00

Uncontested = £360.00

Parish maintenance - notice boards, bus shelter repairs etc. (these will no longer be paid for by Lincolnshire County council)

Proposed, seconded and **Resolved** unanimously, that the above figures be agreed and that Greetwell Parish Council precept upon West Lindsey District Council the sum of £6950.00 for the 2017/2018 financial year.

B) Accounts for payment

Lonsdale Direct Solutions – Newsletter - £52.65

Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall - booking for Get Together - 9.8.2017 - £34.00

Mrs C Myers – Reimbursement for purchase of cartridges - £40.47

Mrs C Myers – Reimbursement for purchases for Get Together, 30.11.2016 - £111.98

Nettleham Parish Council Room Hire - £8.00

Mrs C Myers – Clerk’s expenses November 2016 – £33.60

Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall – booking for Get Together - 1.3.2017 - £34.00

EKM Ltd – Play equipment inspections - £48.00

C) Income

£66.90 - Get Together 30.11.2016

97 – 16/17 PLANNING

Application 135447 – 88 Wragby Road East North Greetwell – front and rear extension, plus change of materials – no objections.

98 – 16/17 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that she had obtained a copy of the plans for the eastern bypass and would circulate them between Councillors.

She had made enquiries with a VAT Consultant recommended by LALC regarding charging for advertising in the Greetwell News. The VAT Consultant had stated that the Council would require to become VAT registered and charge VAT on advertising.

She and The Chair, Mrs Rosemary Seal had attended the Funding Fair at Welton on 9th November. The event was very informative with stands/representatives from Community Lincs, IGas, Heritage Lottery, LCC and Lincolnshire Co-op Development Agency.

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The Clerk had also attended the Social Media Course at Cranwell on 6th December. She reported that many Councils were now using Facebook as a method of reaching residents.

99 – 16/17 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

There were none.

100 – 16/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 9th January 2017, 7.30pm, Small Hall, Old School, Mill Hill, Nettleham

101 – 16/17 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Resolved unanimously to move into closed session to discuss items relating to staffing.

SignedChair

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