

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREETWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY, 6 MARCH 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SADBROOKE

PRESENT: Councillors John Taylor (Chairman), Mrs Sarah Bates (Vice Chair), Keith Johnson, Ms Sue Pullen, Vernon Stuffins, Mike Taylor, Chris Thatcher

Ms Katie Atkin and Mr Craig Stow, Anglian Water representatives

Clerk Mrs Christine Myers

123 – 2022/23 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

A request had been made to the Parish Council for the purchase and setting of wildflower seeds on the verges along the A158 in Wragby Road East.

Members considered this would enhance the parish and agreed to expenditure – Councillor Mrs Bates to organise.

A resident had requested that a litter bin be sited at the layby adjacent to Greetwell Church/Hall – Clerk to request that WLDC fit this.

124 – 2022/23 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

District Councillor Mrs Anne Welburn.

125 – 2022/23 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

126 – 2022/23 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY 2023 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINUTES

That the above notes be signed as minutes unanimously Resolved.

127 – 2022/23 ADDRESS BY KATIE ATKIN, STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS, STRATEGIC PIPELINE ALLIANCE, ANGLIAN WATER

A request had been made by AW to attend this meeting to outline the works involved on the pipeline which was being constructed from Elsham to Colchester. Ms Atkin was accompanied by Mr Craig Stow, Project Manager.

It was stated that the East of England was the driest region in the UK and with the building of new homes this increased the demand for water.

Mr Stow outlined the construction and explained that the pipe would run under the river and the railway.

The works involved closure of the A46 and other main routes into the city which Ms Atkin would advise the Parish Council of the dates in advance.

Initialled.....Chair

Date.....

It was also noted that an offer had been made of volunteering by AW staff of any specific work in Greetwell. Members considered that the cutting back of the verge encroachment on the A158 to Westfield Approach would very helpful. Ms Atkin would try to arrange this.

Ms Atkin and Mr Stow were thanked for their attendance and informal presentation.

128 – 2022/23 COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

District Councillor Anne Welburn's report attached.

129 – 2022/23 POLICE MATTERS – COMMUNITY INSPECTORS MEETING WITH PARISH COUNCILS – 20 FEBRUARY 2023

Councillors John Taylor, Ms Sue Pullen, Vernon Stuffins and the Clerk attended a Police Cluster meeting with representatives of other local Parish Councils and the new Inspector responsible for Communities, at Scothern on 20 February 2023.

The Inspector stressed he wanted to have more contact with Parish Councils and will send crime figures monthly to Clerks. He would also like to hold twice yearly Cluster meetings.

He stressed that there are currently 90 PCSO's in Lincolnshire and it is planned to reduce these to 50 in the near future.

He would aim to maintain contact with Parish Councils as it was noted that communications had been lost in the past.

Since the meeting Inspector Head had forwarded the crime figures for January and February, there being one in Greetwell for an RTC.

130 – 2022/23 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

*** Sent to Residents Email list**

3.1.2023 - Anglian Water – re volunteering

6.1.2023 - LALC Weekly News

9.1.2023 - News from the ICO

9.1.2023 – Update from Fix My Street re work on street light at end of Westfield Approach – Action scheduled.

11.2.2023 Play equipment inspection report – 27.1.2023

13.2.2023 – Play equipment inspection report 10.2.2023

13.2.2023 - LALC Weekly News

*16.2.2023 – Information on Nettleham Heritage Society

21.2.2023 – WLDC Link to presentation re forthcoming Elections

22.2.2023 – LCC Town and Parish Newsletter

22.2.2023 – WYPF Recorded AGM Meeting

B Street furniture on bypass – No reply received.

C Community Speedwatch – Councillor Mrs Sarah Bates reported that the second Speed Indicator Device had been delivered. The data from this machine was available through blue tooth enabling it to be retrieved electronically.

Initialled.....Chairman

Date.....

The post for it to be affixed was awaiting being sited by Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership.

D Tree planting - update and purchase of commemorative plaque - Councillor Mrs Sarah Bates updated the meeting in that:-

- i The Christmas Tree had been purchased at a cost of £128.00. This would be planted on the Westfield Avenue Roundabout by members.

That the cost of the tree be taken from Cils monies unanimously Resolved.

A note would be posted through residents letterboxes living near to the roundabout advising them of the presence of the tree.

- ii Wording for the plaque at the copse by the Bypass was agreed as:

‘Trees planted by Greetwell Parish Council to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II’.

That the Clerk order the plaque and the cost be taken from grants monies unanimously Resolved.

E Marking of roundels on A158 – These had recently been marked. However it was felt that some were not in suitable places.

That a letter be sent from the Chairman to LCC pointing this out unanimously Resolved.

131 – 2022/23 FINANCE

A Accounts for approval for payment/ratification of accounts paid:-

Account paid

Elan City – Speed Indicator device - £2250.00 net, £450.00 VAT, £2700.00 Gross

(£1000.00 paid from DC Darcel and Hill’s Community Fund’s, £1250.00 paid from Cils monies)

Accounts for payment

Mrs C Myers – Expenses February = £25.82

Staffing costs March £560.99 to be paid 31.3.2023

Mrs Sarah Bates – Purchase of Christmas Tree - £128.00

B Income

DC Hill Community Fund - £500.00

HMRC – VAT Refund - £213.58

Interest on The Chase Account - £12.10

C Budget against spent to 28.2.2023 – This had been circulated to members and noted that Council was within budget.

Initialled.....Chairman

Date.....

132 – 2022/23 PLANNING

Application 146221 - Erect 2no dwellings – Land north of Wragby Road East, North Greetwell – That the following comments be forwarded to WLDC Planning Department unanimously Resolved:-

Greetwell Parish Council has viewed this application and raises concern about traffic on exit and egress to the development on the extremely busy A158.

If permission is granted, for the safety of residents the footpath requires extending from the new development to join the existing path.

133 – 2022/23 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported as follows:-

- That LCC had agreed to pay the Parish Council £449.18 towards grass cutting for the 2023 season.
- That Elections for Parish Councillors would be on 4th May 2023. Nomination forms were distributed and completion outlined.
- That the back board of the noticeboard on the bus shelter opposite Mach was disintegrating. Councillors Mike Taylor and John Taylor agreed to have a look at this.
- That the fencing at The Chase required some attention. *The Chairman would take a look at this and instruct the Clerk whether quotations should be obtained for repair.*
- That LALC were holding an Extra Meeting on 16.3.2023 by Zoom and members were invited to attend.

The Clerk was asked to arrange for the parish gates on the A158 to be washed.

134 – 2022/23 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

The Chairman had no more comments to make other than his disappointment at the non-consultation of the positioning of the marking of the Roundels on the A158.

135 – 2022/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 3 April 2023 7.30pm in the Village Hall Sudbrooke

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 3 April 2023, 7.45pm in the Village Hall Sudbrooke.

Signed.....Chairman
Date.....

District Councillor Anne Welburn's Report

New Fly-Tipping Cameras

As part of WL's ongoing commitment to tackling environmental crime the Council have procured three new fly-tipping cameras, which have been deployed in a rural hotspots. The cameras will record activity in this hotspot and send regular information to the Enforcement Officers via a mobile app. The cameras will be utilised in various locations across the district, and WL hope will help to continue to address the illegal dumping of waste which causes a real blight on the district.

The new cameras form part of a wider proactive approach that has been taken in regards to fly-tipping over the last 12 months including the introduction of out of hours patrols, some of which are undertaken jointly with the Police, the use of high visibility tape to inform residents we are aware of fly-tips and an increase in the volume of fixed penalty notices issued. All of this work has contributed to the significant decrease in recorded fly-tipping.

Health and Safety Inspections

During December and January our Food and Health and Safety Team undertook a number of proactive health and safety inspections at premises which fall within our remit such as car garages and builders' merchants. A total of 32 inspections were completed, which resulted in 20 interventions being required. This in turn identified around 59 contraventions of Health and Safety Law, many of which were rectified immediately by the businesses, but are unlikely to have been if Officers had not undertaken this work.

Disappointingly, the majority of businesses inspected fell below the standards that WL expect and that the law requires. Various issues were identified and at one major national business, seven of its car lifting ramps were taken out of operation until they had been properly serviced and assessed. Pieces of work such as this continue to highlight the need for businesses to be regulated and regularly inspected to ensure that they are managing health and safety properly and not putting their employees or the public at risk.

Community Grants Programme

The delivery of the Councillor Initiative Fund will be continued from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2027 and the delivery of the Flagship Community Grants Programme will be continued from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2027.

RAF Scampton

Councillors have unanimously voted in favour of progressing with the site acquisition and partnering with an investor to deliver a regeneration and redevelopment project worth an estimated £300 million.

The decision was made by West Lindsey District Council at its Corporate Policy and Resources Committee, held on 9 February 2023.

Since the closure of the base was announced in 2018, the council have worked extensively with the Ministry of Defence, local stakeholders, and the community to ensure the best possible outcome for the Scampton site and its future positioning within the wider district and county economy.

A specific RAF Scampton policy was incorporated into the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan review to ensure the safeguarding and sustainable regeneration of the site post closure. At the heart of this policy is the need to holistically plan for site wide regeneration that delivers benefit to the existing community at RAF Scampton whilst providing an opportunity policy to secure regeneration and economic growth.

The Examination in Public of the revised Local Plan was completed during November and December 2022 with adoption expected spring 2023.

West Lindsey Businesses are urged to sign up to receive up to 12 hours of business support for free.

Available until the end of March 2023, businesses across West Lindsey can benefit from expert advice and support from well-known business expert Clare Bailey, thanks to West Lindsey District Council funding.

It is a golden opportunity for those working in retail, hospitality, leisure, and visitor attractions to register their interest and be involved, tapping into Clare's 10-Step Action Plan and advice.

Successful businesses will benefit from 1-2-1 business support with Clare, insight into her 10-step growth plan, input and guidance on marketing campaigns, and the opportunity to meet like-minded businesses, build business resilience and strengthen the visitor economy.

With her extensive retail sector knowledge, Clare is working in partnership with Destination Lincolnshire, funded by West Lindsey District Council, to deliver tailored support and marketing campaigns. While this work focuses on the retail sector, Clare will be adopting a place-based approach, ensuring the aims for Greater Lincolnshire are encompassed within her work to continue strengthening the visitor economy in the broader sense.

If you run a business in the visitor economy register by emailing Clare at support@destinationlincolnshire.co.uk