

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF
FALDINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2019
IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FALDINGWORTH

- Present** Cllrs T Howard (Chair), D Waine (Vice-Chair), D Dickinson, S Harkins, A Lillywhite, W Green and P Gregson
- Clerk** Sue Aikman.
Also present: 4 members of the public
- 19/11/01** **TO RESOLVE TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**
None
- 19/11/02** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
None
- 19/11/03** **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**
The Chair reported that the Village Hall minutes had not been received.
The Police acknowledged that there had been no reported crimes.
- 19/11/04** **PUBLIC FORUM**
A question was raised about the possibility of a pedestrian crossing on the High Street. This matter, along with a request for a school crossing assistant, had been raised recently by the Parish Council with LCC Highways and the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. The response had been that the necessary criteria was not met. However, the request for a 'children crossing' sign near the bus stop, opposite Jubilee Avenue, had been agreed and the sign would be put in place in the near future.
- 19/11/05** **NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the notes of the meeting held on 18 September 2019 be approved and signed as minutes.
- 19/11/06** **CHAIR'S REPORT**
The Chair reported that the Remembrance Day wreath had been laid on behalf of the residents of Faldingworth.
- 19/11/07** **CLERK'S REPORT**
The Clerk reported that a new ink cartridge was required for the printer held by Cllr Dickinson for printing notices etc. Quotes were considered and following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to purchase a Xerox compatible cartridge at a cost of £44.64 + VAT.
- 19/11/08** **TO CONSIDER FORMING AN EVENTS COMMITTEE.**
This matter was discussed and no Councillors put their names forward.
- 19/11/09** **TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR USE OF THE PLAYING FIELD FOR A VE DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT ON 08.05.2020**
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that this was agreed providing risk assessments were carried out and the insurance company was happy with the activities planned.

19/11/10 TO APPOINT A SEVERE WEATHER CO-ORDINATOR.

This matter was discussed and no Councillors put their names forward.

19/11/11 TO CONSIDER ANY HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Matters regarding the A46 had been discussed with LCC Highways and the following response had been received:

- '- The speed limit reduction consultation work has been carried out to establish if it can be reduced from 50mph to 40mph on the south side of the village. Unfortunately, there has been some local opposition and therefore the matter will have to go to Committee for approval as per our policy. It is envisaged that this will be early next year. A further lowering of the speed limit to 30mph will not be pursued as that would be even more difficult to implement.
- There is currently no possibility of having a pedestrian crossing installed near the bus stop on the same section of road. The criteria for providing a crossing is based on the number of vehicles, pedestrians and accidents and this location does not meet the required level.
- I have instructed that warning signs for "Children Crossing" be erected on the approaches to the bus stop.
- The bollards outside the old Post Office which are located in the footway will be removed as I do not see their need. I have instructed an Officer to carry this out, however this will take several months as it is a low priority issue.

I apologise for the negativity of this response, however we do have a strict level of intervention for Highway matters as we do not have the budget and resources to implement everything that the public request.

However it was good to talk to you and if you have any further issues please raise it with me or Councillor Rawlins. If you have any minor faults to be reported please contact the Customer Service Centre of www.fixmystreet.com.'

Cllr Howard reported that the bollards had originally been installed following a near accident. The Clerk would write back to LCC Highways to remind them that the bollards were put there for a reason and that they were concerned about them being removed and not replaced.

19/11/12 TO REPORT ON ANY UPDATES FROM THE ANNUAL VILLAGE INSPECTION INCLUDING THE RISK ASSESSMENT FOR MAINTAINING THE SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

The Clerk gave an update on actions taken following the village inspection. Copies of the report would be sent to new Councillors.

Cllrs Waine, Dickinson and Harkins would produce a risk assessment for maintenance and moving of the speed indicator device and undertake the necessary tasks.

Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to purchase 3 replacement 30mph signs from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership at a cost of £10 each.

The Playing Field hedge had not been cut yet, The Clerk would follow this up with the contractor.

19/11/13 CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence received was noted:

Date	Sender	Details
19.09.2019	Resident	Broken play equipment
19.09.2019	LCC	Temporary Traffic Restriction
19.09.2019	Wicksteed	Play Inspection Report and Introduction to Inspections

19.09.2019	LCC Minerals and Waste	Lincolnshire County Council Statement of Community Involvement 2019 - Notification of Adoption
25.09.2019	Resident	Carol singing
23/24.10.2019	LCC Highways	Highway Issues
25.10.2019	WLDC	Parish News
29.10.2019	WLDC	Pocket Parks Programme - Grants available
29.10.2019	Citizens Advice	Application for funding 2020/2021
14.11.2019	School	VE Day 75th Anniversary 8.5.20
10.11.2019	Lincs. Road Safety Partnership	School crossing A46

19/11/14 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning Applications, Consents and Refusals received by the Parish Council

APPLICATION REFERENCE NO: 139892 approved

PROPOSAL: Planning application for single storey rear extension including repositioning of windows and door.

LOCATION: Field View, Stocks Lane, Faldingworth, Market Rasen LN8 3SH

19/11/15 **URGENT ITEMS**

Cllr Harkins stated that she was struggling to hear in the meeting and requested that the Council considered purchasing equipment to assist with this. The Clerk would look at what was available for consideration. It was noted that the noise of the heating was an issue for some.

19/11/15 **TO CONSIDER MOVING INTO CLOSED SESSION. CLERK'S ANNUAL REVIEW**

Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to move into closed session and the Clerk's annual review was discussed.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** by a majority to approve the recommendation for the Clerk's salary from April 2020.

19/11/16 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- i. Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the statement of accounts and bank reconciliations.
- ii. To approve accounts for payment.
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the following accounts and the Clerk's salary and pension for payment:

Chq no.	Ref	To	Details	Amount
101089	19/33	Wicksteed	Annual Play inspection	£ 108.00
101090	19/34	Glendale	Grass cutting	£ 121.22
101091	19/35	SCIS	Laptop repair	£ 36.00
101092	19/36	SCIS	Security software - 3 year	£ 84.92
101094	19/38	Glendale	Grass cutting	£ 68.98
101096	19/42	S Aikman	Expenses	£ 66.32
101097	19/43	LRSP	Speed signs	£ 30.00
101098	19/44	SCIS	Ink	£ 55.80

- iii. To update the signatories for the bank account
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to add Cllrs Harkins and Gregson as signatories for the Parish Council bank accounts.
- iv. To consider the grass cutting quote for 2020
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to accept the quote and request an additional 6 cuts per year for the play area.
- v. To consider the proposed budget and precept for 2020/21.
The Clerk presented the draft budget proposals that had been put forward following a meeting with Cllrs Waine and Dickinson. Adjustments were made as necessary following updated information. Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to agree the draft budget and to send WLDC an estimate for the precept request of £9,600 which was an increase of 4.22% and would mean, as an example, an increase for band B properties of £2.07 per annum.
- vi. To complete the precept estimate to be sent to WLDC
The Clerk would complete the precept estimate and send it to WLDC.

19/11/18 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
Wednesday 15 January 2020.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.