

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF
FALDINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 13 JANUARY 2015
IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FALDINGWORTH

- Present** Cllrs T Howard (Chairman), A Longdon (Vice Chairman), D Waine, D Dickinson and M Stanney.
 Also present: 1 member of the public.
- Clerk** S Aikman.
- 15/01/01 TO RESOLVE TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**
 None.
- 15/01/02 TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR CO-OPTION TO THE VACANT SEATS ON THE COUNCIL**
 None received
- 15/01/03 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
 Cllr Howard declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 16.
- 15/01/04 PUBLIC FORUM**
 Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to suspend the meeting to allow for public time.
 No items were raised.
- 15/01/05 NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
 Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the notes of the meetings held on 18 November 2014 be approved and signed as minutes.
- 15/01/06 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**
 None received.
- 15/01/07 CHAIR'S REPORT**
 The Chair had nothing to report at this time.
- 15/01/08 CLERK'S REPORT**
 The Clerk had nothing to report at this time.
- 15/01/09 TO RECEIVE ANY UPDATES ON THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF PLAY AREAS**
 It was reported that the funding application had been sent and acknowledged and that the outcome should be received by the next meeting.
 The request for information on the nearby amenity land linked to the S106 agreement had been followed up but no information had been received to date.
- 15/01/10 TO ARRANGE THE ANNUAL STAFF APPRAISAL**
 Following a discussion it was agreed that Cllrs Howard and Longdon would undertake the annual staff appraisal with the Clerk prior to the next meeting.
- 15/01/11 TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON THE PASSIVE SPEED NOTICES AND THE SPEED INDICATION DEVICE.**

It was reported that the passive speed notices had been received and that the speed indicator device (SID) was due for delivery by the end of the week.

Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Longdon and Dickinson would undertake a risk assessment and erect the signs and that all Councillors would participate in a rota for regularly changing the location of the SID.

15/01/12 **TO REVIEW REMAINING ACTIONS FOLLOWING THE VILLAGE INSPECTIONS**

It was reported that work had been undertaken to clear the overgrown verge from the footpath on Spridlington Road at the end of the village. The surface remained very uneven.

It was reported that correspondence had been received from a resident in relation to the lack of footpath and on Buslingthorpe Road, the poor state of the road and a request for passing places and further street lighting. It was noted that the footpath had been previously requested and the Council had been informed that the work was on the Rural Priority Initiative list but that it was unlikely to be undertaken within the next few years.

It was reported that there were several depressions in the road surface on Spridlington Road. LCC Highways were to be contacted about all the above issues and a site visit was to be requested.

15/01/13 **TO ARRANGE REGISTRATION WITH THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to register with the ICO at a cost of £35 per annum.

15/01/14 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence received was noted:

Date	Sender	Details
18/11/14	WLDC	Chairman's Civic Carol Service - 4 December 2014
24/11/14	LALC	Pay award
03/12/14	WLDC	Lincolnshire energy switch
04/12/14	LCC	Travel & Transport Briefing - Winter 2014/15
05/12/14	WLDC	Decision Notice for Planning Application 131692
08/12/14	WLDC	Parish Precept 2015/16
05/12/14	WLDC	Electoral Register 2015 - Faldingworth
05/12/14	Community Lincs	News & Updates from Community Lincs
12/12/14	WLDC	Notice of meetings 2015
15/12/14	LCC	Proposed Roadworks A46 Middle Rasen
16/12/14	LALC	LALC News
02/01/15	WLDC	Planning application 132269
02/01/15	LCC	Road closure – Middle Rasen
05/01/15	LCC	Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Consultation Open
08/01/15	Resident	Buslingthorpe Road
13/01/15	LALC	Training programme
13/01/15	WLDC	Nomination paper submission

15/01/15 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- i. To consider a grant request from West Lindsey CAB
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** not to offer financial support. It was reported that West Lindsey CAB receives financial support from WLDC.
- ii. To approve the precept demand for 2015/16
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** that a precept of £6,140 be served on WLDC. The claim form was then signed by Cllrs T Howard (Chairman), A. Longdon and M. Stanney

and countersigned by the Clerk.

- iii. To approve the Statement of accounts and bank reconciliations to date
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the statement of accounts and bank reconciliations.
- iv. To approve accounts for payment
Following a vote it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the following accounts for payment:

Chq no.	To	Details	Amount
100857	SLCC	Membership	£ 52.50
100858	Veolia ES UK	grass cutting	£ 185.35
100859	S Aikman	Dec/Jan salary	£ 592.09
100860	Information Commissioner	ICO registration	£ 35.00
100861	ESPO	Filing cabinet	£ 73.80
100862	ESPO	stationery	£ 36.60
		Total	£ 922.84

15/01/16 **PLANNING MATTERS**

APPLICATION REFERENCE NO: 132269

PROPOSAL: Planning application to erect 1 no. dwelling

LOCATION: Land at Stocks Lane, Faldingworth, LN8 3SH

The Council made the following comments:

The Council strongly objects to the above Application and recommends that it be refused. The reasons are clearly outlined in the following response.

The site is an open space of rough grass that fronts Stocks Lane and which once formed part of an orchard belonging to the "Grove". The site backs on to open countryside to the West, it shares the North boundary with the Bungalow "Field View" and abuts the well used trackway/public footpath to the South. The applicant's description of the site as a "Building Plot" is incorrect. There is no extant planning permission for the site and any outline permission there may have been would have long since expired. There is no history or evidence of a building having occupied the site, therefore it must be considered as a Greenfield Site.

The application will be assessed against the Local Development Plan Policy (LDPP)

The West Lindsey District Council Local Plan First Review 2006 (saved policies) remains part of that Development Plan. Within the Local Plan Faldingworth is identified as a Subsidiary Rural Development i.e. a settlement providing a smaller range of day to day facilities and amenities. Since the introduction of the current Local Plan the village shop/ post office has closed to be replaced by a PO outreach service for 2 hours, 2 mornings a week, the Public House has reduced its opening to 5 days a week, the subsidised bus service has been reduced and is under constant review.

Windfall development within the existing built up area is permitted by LDPP STRAT 7 subject to a number of provisions being met:

STRAT 7 (i) "Development meets a local need or is otherwise required to accommodate a local resident with a connection to the settlement."

There are currently at least 8 properties for sale in Faldingworth including 5 x 4/5 bedroom detached houses. WLDC has recently given approval for the building of an additional 41 properties on the Cricket Meadows development which includes 11x4 bedroom and 1x5

bedroom detached houses. There is nothing in this proposal to indicate that it is needed to satisfy an identified local or community need, therefore a new dwelling in this location would not constitute a sustainable pattern of development or be otherwise justifiable.

STRAT 7 (iv) "The proposal would not be significantly detrimental to the amenity of the adjoining or nearby occupiers."

The height and mass of the proposed dwelling would result in a profound and detrimental impact on the amenity of "Field View". The provision of 1 off road parking space is wholly inadequate for a four bedroom property and in this situation it is compounded by Stocks Lane being a narrow single track lane with only one passing place that has to be kept clear at all times. No vehicles can be left in the lane. The provision of the Velux window in the roof on the North elevation gives concern that this may indicate future expansion of accommodation into the roof space.

STRAT 7 (vi) "The site does not represent a significant open space or gap important to the form and character of the settlement."

The site is the sole remaining open space in Stocks Lane that gives a view of open countryside and is therefore important in retaining the rural character of Stocks Lane.

The frontage of the site is 13.5 mtrs. This is confirmed from the land sale particulars at the time. The frontage of the orchard was 178ft (54mtrs). The three existing plots are all 13.5mtrs with the vacant site of 13.5mtrs, making up the difference.

Historically, the trackway/ footpath alongside the southern boundary was a cart track giving vehicular access to the fields to the west of the site and as such there has to be a minimum clear width of 3mtrs along its length. A statement from LCC Highways which supports this is attached together with a drawing of the track/ footpath. This also shows that the path splays to 4mtrs at the field entrance to the west. There are concerns regarding possible encroachment as the site- layout plan shows the footpath narrowing toward the field entrance.

15/01/17 URGENT ITEMS

None.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm