

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**30<sup>th</sup> July 2015, 7.15pm at West Halton Village Hall.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

Cllr Alan Batley (Vice Chair)  
 Cllr Ralph Ogg  
 Cllr Steve Hodson  
 Cllr Charles Dent (Chair)  
 Cllr Sue Robinson  
 Cllr Bob Ferraby  
 Cllr Elaine Marper  
 Mr Lockwood

**Organisation:**

West Halton Parish Council  
 West Halton Parish Council/NLC  
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 NLC  
 Member of the Public

**Apologies:**

Cllr Helen Rowson

NLC

<b>Apologies for Absence:</b>	
The above was received and noted.	
<b>Annual Meeting Business</b>	
<p><b>a) Election of Officers</b></p> <p>Chair: Cllr Charles Dent</p> <p>Vice Chair: Cllr Alan Batley</p> <p>Responsible Financial Officer: Emma Bainbridge</p> <p><b>b) Annual Meeting 2014</b></p> <p>Minutes from the previous meeting were circulated. These were proposed by Cllr Hodson and seconded by Cllr Robinson.</p> <p><b>c) Any Matters Arising</b></p> <p>➤ It was noted that the missing road signs on the A1077 have been replaced.</p>	
<b>Ordinary Business</b>	
<b>Minutes from the Previous Meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015)</b>	
The minutes of the meeting had been distributed with the agenda for this meeting. It was proposed by Councillor Hodson, seconded by Councillor Robinson that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting. The minutes were duly signed.	
<b>Matters Arising from the Minutes including:</b>	
<p><b>a) Local Plan</b> – It was agreed that this item be reviewed at a later date.</p> <p><b>b) Website</b> – The Clerk explained that a draft website had been created using the free BT community website builder. The Clerk reported that the system is extremely limited and because of this does not meet the needs of the Parish Council. The Clerk</p>	Clerk

agreed to circulate the username and password for the BT system so that Councillors could have a look. It was proposed that local website developers be contacted to ask for quotes.

### **North Lincolnshire Councillors Report**

The following information was reported:

- Cllr Marper thanked all the Parish Councillors and Clerk for their time, effort and commitment for the Parish Council.
- It was noted that the Council tax remained down again.
- All roads and paths have been resurfaced throughout the village.
- Wind turbine Application Refusal – Cllr Marper reported that Andrew Percy called this decision into Secretary of State following an appeal by the applicants against the refusal for planning from NLC - and he refused the turbine development to go ahead, since then news that subsidies will cease in future.
- Broadband and Mobile Signals – Cllr Marper explained that following representations from Parish Councillors and Ward Councillors to the MP, Andrew Percy has now taken this issue up and is looking at options for delivery of broadband to outlying villages and vast improvement to mobile signals.
- Improvements to the playground - Ward Councillors have provided advice to and guidance on applying for funding to the community grant pot.
- Request for off road parking, Ethelreda Close – Cllr Marper explained that North Lincolnshire Homes advised that there is already a lay-by in place in front of 1-6 and the planners do not usually allow swapping off street parking for off street parking. The grass in front of No7 and No8 is open plan, and we do not normally create drives across this type of space. If we did, it would only serve No8 anyway as No7 and 9 are privately owned. No10 is on a junction, so even if there was room from frontage to edge of property we would not be able to install a drive to the rear. NLH advised that their land also only extends to the pathway leading to Nos 8, 9 & 10, with the grassed area leading from that path and across the side of No10 around the corner belonging to the council. This is also on a road junction. There is a street light virtually central to No7 and 8 which would stop us putting more than two spaces between that and the path which we would not be able to annotate to specific addresses and would be on a first come first served basis and two of the properties are privately owned. Because of the above it is unlikely that we would increase the off road parking in that area.
- Ornamental Bridge – this has been resolved and a new bridge is now in place.
- Slight Alterations to bus route 60 – Cllr Marper reported that in order to avoid delays which were occurring in Scunthorpe, This means that the service would avoid the traffic problems at Berkeley Circle. Although Scotter Road and Doncaster Road would be missed out on this journey there are other buses that serve this route.

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<b>Financial Matters</b>		
<b>Payments to be paid:</b>		
Smailes Goldie	£74.40	
T.Coulson	£80.00	
Clerks Salary & Expenses	£204.00	
HMRC	£44.00	
<p>The Councillors agreed that these invoices should be paid.</p> <p>Annual Return - the Clerk informed the Council that no feedback had been received yet following the submission of the return.</p>		
<p><b>Highway Matters</b></p> <p><b>Holes in Road Surfaces:</b> Nothing reported.</p> <p><b>Street Lights:</b> None.</p> <p><b>Problems with Landfill Site:</b> None.</p> <p><b>New Highway Issues:</b> Mr Lockwood raised concern over the trees that have not been trimmed along Wintringham Lane. Cllr Ogg agreed to contact Highways and ask them to visit the site and assess the situation. Cllr Ogg to report back.</p>		Cllr Ogg
<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p><b>Planning Permission Requested:</b> None received.</p> <p><b>Planning Permission Granted:</b> None received.</p>		
<p><b>Village Green</b></p> <p><b>a) Play Equipment:</b> The Clerk reported that she had contacted Simon Seal (NLC) regarding funding from NLC's Community Pot. It was noted that the Council could apply up to £15,000 but would need 10% match funding.</p> <p>It was agreed that Cllr Dent would provide the Clerk with a plan of the current equipment in the playground.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she would contact Flixborough Parish Council who is also looking at reviewing their current play provision.</p> <p>After discussion the Parish Council agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a plan of current equipment</li> <li>• Contact suppliers of playground equipment for quotes</li> <li>• Look at the process of applying for funds from North Lincolnshire Council's</li> </ul>		Cllr Dent

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<p>Community Pot.</p> <p><b>b) Lease:</b> Cllr Dent explained that nothing had been received from Smiths Gore to date but would keep the Council informed of any updates.</p> <p><b>c) Grave Yard</b> - Cllr Ferraby reported that the flowers in the planters in the village had been stolen and would need to be replaced.</p>	
<p><b>Correspondence Received</b> <b>North Lincolnshire Council</b></p> <p>a) Forthcoming meetings - the information from NLC is now on display.</p> <p><b>Other Correspondence</b></p> <p>a) It was noted that Caroline Robinson from the Church project had requested a letter of support from the Council for external funding they are seeking to apply. The funding will be used to put a stainless steel roof on the nave of the church, repair two cracks in the chancel arch and provide paving throughout the church yard. The Council agreed to provide a letter of support for the project.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>Comments from Councillors to Chairman and Clerk</b></p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that Sean Brennan (NLC) be contacted to ask for an update on the Broadband project.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>Date and Time of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p>9<sup>th</sup> September, 7.15pm at West Halton Village Hall.</p>	