

North Kyme Parish Council

Minutes

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| Date: Wednesday 20 th May 2009 (after AGM) | Venue: North Kyme Village Hall | Time: 7.30 p.m |
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| Present: | Cllr G Pout | Cllr T Carroll | Cllr J Dring |
| | Cllr G Panton | Cllr T Handley | |

In attendance: K Handley (Clerk)

Parishioners: 6

1/05/09 Apologies Cllr G Bailey Cllr R Wood

2/05/09 Chairman's Opening address:

Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Policeman has been asked to attend but was unable to do so.

3/05/09 Minutes

Clerk's notes agreed as a true and accurate record. Chair signed and placed in minute book. Proposed by Cllr T Handley and seconded by Cllr T Carroll.

The Chair invited Mr Thompson to address the Council regarding his concerns over how the Council have dealt with the issue of his caravan. (item appeared under clerk's correspondence on the agenda.)

Mr Thompson informed the Council that he was deeply aggrieved by the way the issue of his caravan had been dealt with. He highlighted other issues in the minutes from July 07 and April 08 that the Council had received complaints about and asked whether they had been dealt with as vigorously. Mr Thompson also asked why no-one had spoken to him personally and why the police felt it necessary to knock on his door.

The Chair replied that;

- a) he had tried to make contact but had received no response when he visited. The Chair also stated that the Council would deal with matters as they felt appropriate.
- b) a PCSO had been asked to take a look at the caravan to ascertain whether further action was needed. The PCSO had not been asked to make contact. That was outside the Parish Council's control.
- c) the Chair stated that he believed the Parish Council had acted satisfactorily.

Mr Thompson asked why the complaint had been pursued when the Council had received information from the police that the caravan was in fact legal. The Chair replied that further complaints had been received regarding the caravan.

Mr Thompson made it clear that he was not happy with the responses given by the Chair and it was his intention to pursue this matter with the Standards Board and that he would find any opportunity to make life difficult for the Parish Council. Cllr J Dring addressed Mr Thompson and stated that North Kyme was a community and it was very sad that his attitude towards this issue had reflected this community spirit.

4/05/09 Feedback on action points:

- Pot holes on Vacherie Lane/Church Lane had been filled.

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- Mobile Post Office-Chair reported that the issue had been raised at the Cluster meeting and NKDC were taking an interest.

5/05/09 Planning

Planning applications received for the following:

| Location | Planning number | |
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| Burdens | 09/0232 | Erection of free standing illuminated sign |
| The Laurels, Anwick Fen, Sleaford | 09/0259 | Erection of building to form show room |
| The Laurels, Anwick Fen, Sleaford | 09/0258 | Change of use from existing sales room to residential unit for the occupation of on site manager |

The Clerk reported that the application for planning permission for change of use of former school building to form road safety training facility has been withdrawn on 8 May 2009. However, after speaking to Robin Mardon from Lincs Road Safety partnership, the Clerk was able to report that revised planning has been drawn up, which leaves the old mobiles in tact due to possible bat habitation.

6/05/09 Clerk's Salary

A discussion took place with the Clerk and Councillor Handley out of the room. On returning the clerk was asked to minute that her salary had been raised by 5%. This was proposed by Cllr T Carroll and seconded by Cllr J Dring.

7/05/09 Management of Village Hall

Cllr T Handley outlined that at the moment both the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee had Public liability Insurance for the playing field. It was confirmed that the management of the playing field rests with the Parish Council.

8/05/09 Parish Meeting

Chair reported back on the Parish Meeting which was agreed to have been a success. The following points were raised at the Parish Meeting:

- A full sized goal with net would be appreciated by the young people of the village. **Action:** The Chair will investigate costings.
- Football pitch needs to be turned round
- Request for public footpaths around North Kyme. **Action:** Clerk to contact the Rambler's Association
- Dead End sign requested for lane leading to Nigel Dickinson's Farm. **Action:** Clerk to contact Highways

Clerk confirmed that letters of thanks had been written to participants.

9/05/09 Audit

Clerk reported that the Audit for 2007 had now been closed but due to number of letters written by the auditors the bill had risen to £195.50.

Proposed by Cllr T Carroll and seconded by Cllr G Panton

10/05/09 Clerk's correspondence:

- Complaint from Mr Thompson- dealt with at the beginning of the meeting but Chair reiterated his belief that the Council had acted properly.

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- Letter from Di Goddard- clerk read out letter which thanked the Parish Council for their efforts with the caravan issue but Di pointed out that hers was not the only complaint regarding the caravan.
- Information from NKDC-clerk informed the Council of the information received regarding street lighting. **Action:** Clerk to return with information requesting extra lighting at the top of the village.

11/05/09 Items added to the agenda

- Cllr T Handley asked that the Council formulate a policy regarding the contributions made to the Village newsletter. His concern was that the notes from the meeting do not become minutes until they are approved at the next Parish Council meeting. Also, it was not the responsibility of the Council to provide notes.
Action: Cllr T Handley to speak to the editor of the newsletter.
- Cllr J Dring expressed concern regarding the number of cars that had veered off the road by the 30 mph speed sign at the top of the village.
Action: Clerk to contact Highways
- Clerk reported that a parishioner had asked about numbering for Church Lane to be placed on the church wall. **Action:** Clerk to contact Highways.

12/05/09 Date and time of next meeting

Meetings scheduled for Wednesday 8th July 2009, September 9th 2009, October 14th 2009, November 11th 2009, and December 9th 2009.

13/05/09 Close of meeting

Meeting closed at 8.55 p.m