

POINTON AND SEMPRINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Sports and Social Club, 26 July 2018

Councillors present: Cllr R Greenwood – Chair, Cllr J Sharples, Cllr A Scarfe, Cllr C Green, Cllr W Moore, Cllr J Keeley, and Adrian Illingworth – Clerk.

A reporter from Sleaford Standard was also in attendance

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed all present and reminded them of the format of the Public Forum

Public Forum (18/19)

Commenced 7.30.

The ongoing problem relating to the four councillors who were asked to resign was again raised. A request for a formal investigation on what had occurred has been sent to the council, with a copy to Legal & Democratic Services and Cllr Dr P Moseley, To date no apology had been received from the Council. Following the review a public apology is expected from the Council.

An investigation into the recruitment of the Parish Clerk was also requested, A resident questioned its legality.

A Freedom of Information had been requested but to date no response has been made by the Council other than an acknowledgment, Cllr Moore explained the Sports and Social Club and PCPF were not subject to a FOI request. Any matters arising should be taken up with the necessary organisations and not the Council.

The minutes of the 31 March were questioned. These had been signed off by the Council as being a true reflection of that meeting. However, it was pointed out the complaint from an ex councillor was not directed at the Council but the previous Clerk. It was also pointed out the minutes from the meeting of the 21 June were not on the website, The Clerk informed all present notes were added and following sign off by the Council would be moved to the minute section.

A resident pointed out the Council had agreed to jet wash the walls of the village hall. This had not been done. The resident asked if the washer could be used by residents. The Chair explained this was in order. The question of why the washer was in the Sports and Social club and not the village hall was raised. The Chair informed the resident this was due to no available space being available in the hall.

An informal warning was given to a resident and this was duly noted. The Chair asked for respect to be given to all present.

Parking on the footpaths was raised and what were the Council doing. The Council cannot do anything other than bring this to the attention of the PCSO. After discussion the Council agreed to provide a flyer which could be placed on the windscreen of offending cars asking for consideration when parking.

A resident from Millthorpe pointed out the designated Councillor for the village had not made contact. The Councillor apologised and would be in contact shortly.

Cllr Scarfe to look into who is responsible for cutting the grass in Millthorpe, especially the footpath.

Public Forum closed at 7.47.

2.0 Apologies

Apologies received from Cllrs Lambert and Moseley. Reason for absence agreed and accepted by members

3.0 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and Dispensations (18/20)

Cllr Greenwood declared his interest in point 14.1 and 14.3. Duly noted

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4.0 Signing of the minutes

The Clerk's notes of the meeting held on Thursday, 21 June 2018 approved as being a true reflection by all members present.

5.0 Matter arising from the minutes

Papers for the phone box had not been handed over to the Clerk. This to be done.

6.0 Council and District Council Matters

No representatives present.

7.0 Finance (18/21)

7.1 Council resolved to make payment of the Clerk's Salary	214.90
7.2 Council resolved to make the payment towards the barrels purchased	299.95
7.3 Council resolved to make payment to M Wren for cutting grass	55.00
7.4 Council resolved to accept the accounts to date	
7.5 Use of internet banking to be carried forward to the meeting in August	
7.6 Council resolved for the Clerk to set up a standing order to PCPF	

Cllr Moore informed members the budget allowed for the barrels had been exceeded by £20. As more flowers need to be bought she asked Council for an additional amount. After discussion it was resolved to give a further donation of £100.

Thanks given to Cllr Moore for all her work and to Martin Wren for cutting the verges.

8.0 Policies and Procedures

The Clerk asked for the item to be carried forward to the next meeting. This was agreed.

9.0 HR Sub-committee (18/22)

Following the June meeting it was resolved to appoint Cllrs Lambert, Green and Keeley.

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10.0 Neighbourhood Plan (18/23)

After an explanation as to the workings of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee it was resolved to appoint Cllr Green as representative for the Council.

11.0 Training (18/24)

The Clerk confirmed places had been reserved

12.0 Police Watch Co-ordinator (18/24)

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Keeley as the Councils representative.

13.0 Council Matters (18/25)

13.1 Several residents had asked for the Parish Matters to be brought back. This should deal with Council matters only, and individuals. It was resolved to reinstate and Cllr Moore volunteered to take this up. Publication to be bi monthly.

13.2 Cllr Moore stated a development plan should be in place outlining what the Council would like to achieve during the coming year. It was resolved for Cllr Moore to draft a plan.

13.3 Cllr Moore suggested a tea party to be held on August Bank Holiday, Monday, for all organisations and residents to attend. This was resolved and an advert to be placed in the next village news.

14.0 Village Matters (18/26)

14.1 Due to time constraints the containers had been moved prior to the meeting. Approval had been received from members via email.

14.2 An inspection of the play area is due in August. The Chair asked for volunteers to come forward to help. An article to be placed in Parish Matters.

14.3 A Car Club had requested to use the playing field from August 30 – September 2. No objections raised. Resolved to contact club and to ask for a possible donation.

14.4 Cllr Scarfe to liaise with SKDC and residents as to where a notice board for Millthorpe can be sited. It was resolved for Cllr Scarfe to obtain three quotes for the purchase of a notice board. Item to be included in the next agenda.

15.0 Future Agenda (18/27)

Council resolved to maintain meetings every month,

16.0 Next meeting. (18/28)

Dates for the coming year were agreed. The next meeting will be 23 August at 7.30.

Future meetings: 27 Sept, 25 Oct, 22 Nov, No meeting in Dec, 24 Jan, 24 Feb and 28 Mar.

Meeting closed 8.30