

WORLABY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Worlaby Parish Council on **Tuesday 14th November, 2023** held at **Worlaby Village Hall**, Grange Field, Worlaby, Brigg DN20 0LZ, at **7:00pm**.

Present: Cllr M Speakman (Chair), Cllr R Bowles (Vice Chair), Cllrs T Cave, I Fowler, M Moran

Clerk to the Council: Ann Boulton

Ward Cllrs: Carl Sherwood, Nigel Sherwood

13 members of the public

Agenda

23/24 - 1101 Apologies

To note apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Holly Truelove (on holiday) and Ward Cllr Rob Waltham.

23/24 - 1102 Public Participation

Owing to the large number of public participants, the Chair took comments individually and then closed the public part of the meeting.

The same points were made by number of people:

- The Playing Field should be dog free because of its use by children. Also, if it had a fenced off area, people from outside Worlaby would bring their dogs to use it.
- There should be a fenced off area in the village for dogs.
- If the Playing Field gates are closed, it is difficult to get to the defibrillator quickly.
(A first aider pointed out that is much more urgent that CPR is used immediately, rather than a defibrillator).
- When events are on, vehicles are parked on Grange Field, causing problems for residents
- The Playing Field parking is for people who hire the hall and for big events
- Parking is not a Parish Council issue, it is North Lincs Council
- If a hedge is planted to replace the one that was taken down, it will be better cared for as it will be looked after by the Parish Council

Many residents expressed their views on the issues of dogs and parking on the Recreation Ground but the vast majority in the room on the night were against allowing either. These majority views were also reflected in the written correspondence received prior to the meeting.

23/24 - 1003 Declaration of Interest

- a) To note and record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared. **There were no declarations of interest**
- b) To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below **No requests for dispensation were received**

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23/24 - 1104 Minutes of Previous meeting

- a) Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 10th October, 2023 to be approved and signed.
- b) Matters arising from the Minutes

There was an incorrect date on the Minutes. Also it had not been noted that item regarding the hedge was postponed.

With these corrections, the Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

23/24 - 1105 Report from Ward Councillors

- a) Ward councillors to update the Parish Council on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.
 - Cllr Waltham has arranged a meeting between Parish Councillors and the planning department for 12th December at 10am at Church Square House.
 - Work on Carr Lane had started. Cllr Speakman said the PC was impressed with what had been done so far. It was noted though that some of the damage had been caused by metal tracked vehicles using the lane. This will be taken up with Network Rail and reported to the Highways Department and the Police.
 - Cllr Sherwood said that Phase 2 of the Barton by-pass is at consultation stage.
 - No notices will be send out for bin collections – these will be online and in News Direct. A PDF will be sent to Clerks to put in notice boards.
 - NLC are working with British Steel following the proposal to close the blast furnace.
 - The recent storm brought some trees down and five properties in North Lincs were flooded.
 - £6m is forthcoming from the government from the scrapping of HS2 for the shared community fund and may be used to extend bus services. Cllr Cave suggested there should be a bus link to Barnetby Railway Station.
 - Normanby Hall Christmas Market is 9th/10th December, Brigg light switch-on on 24th November. There were 280,000 visitors to Normanby Hall this year.
Ward Councillors left at this point.

23/24 - 1106 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

- a) To update on the following outstanding issues:
 - i) Resurfacing of Carr Lane – *dealt with under Ward Councillors' report*
 - ii) To discuss the planned enquiry into Network Rail and Carr Lane and agree comments.
Resolved: To note that Colin Wilkinson of NLC is contacting residents who commented previously. Parish Council comments will be finalised at the December meeting.
- b) To discuss any other highways, drainage, footpath and NLC issues and resolve any action.

None

23/24 - 1107 Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs

- a) To receive updates from Humberside Police, Neighbourhood Watch Representative and NATS and resolve any action – *no meetings held*
- b) To receive update on the relocation of the Speedwatch camera.
Resolved: To note that one person in each village will be the liaison and Andrew Simpson will administrate. Cllr Bowles volunteered to help with moving the camera to Worlabby,

23/24 - 1108 Planning

- a) To consider comments on the following planning application:
 - i) PA/2023/1705 – outline planning permission to erect a new dwelling opposite The Stables, Top Road, Worlabby
Resolved: To note that this proposal is outside the building development line for the village and does not conform with the Neighbourhood Plan.
- b) No Decision Notices received:
- c) To discuss any other planning matters and resolve any action – none

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23/24 - 1109 Risk Assessments and Safety Reports

- a) To receive risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlabby Parish Council and resolve any action:

i) BT Kiosk, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
ii) War Memorial, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
Resolved: To ask the pest controller to look at the mole problem at the War Memorial.		
iii) Flagpole, Main Street	Monthly inspection	Cllr Tom Cave
Resolved: To note that the pulley will need attention shortly as it is tight.		
iv) Bus Stop, Low Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Ian Fowler
v) Pleasure Ground and Play Area, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Tom Cave
vi) Fountain	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
vii) Recreation Ground	Weekly inspection	Cllr Ian Fowler
viii) Woodland Glade and Hollows, The Hill	Monthly inspection	Peter Jones
ix) CCTV System	Monthly inspection	Cllr Richard Bowles

All other inspections satisfactory

23/24 – 1110 Community Matters and Open Space Management

- a) To receive an update report regarding the Woodland Glade and Hollows and resolve any action.
Resolved: To note that Cllr Bowles will look at the steps
- b) To receive an update report from Worlabby Recreation Committee and resolve any action.
Resolved: To note that the bonfire was a huge success. It was suggested that the Recreation Committee should have a link to the new website. The hall will be decorated for Christmas and the committee has a stall at the Dickensian Market and would like donations for the tombola.
- c) To update on works in the Jubilee Dell and resolve any action
Nothing to report
- d) To update quotations for work to trees on the Pleasure Ground and resolve any action
Resolved: In the absence of a cheaper quotation the work will go ahead on 13th December as arranged
- e) To discuss management of Village Flowerbeds and resolve any action.
Resolved: To revise the budget in March
- f) To discuss tenders for 2024-25 grass cutting etc
Resolved: That tenders would be invited for the same grass cutting as last year
- g) To discuss possible planning requirements for siting the donated plough
Resolved: To note that the Clerk is seeking pre-planning advice
- h) To discuss the Public Space Protection order on the Playing field and its use for dog walking by residents.
After some discussion when the hazards of dog faeces was mentioned and it was pointed out that there were a number of areas where dogs could be walked in the village but only one recreation area for the school and one place where football can be played it was:
Resolved: To continue with the ban on dogs on the field and also to contact the Dog Warden.
- i) To discuss plans for the commemoration of D-Day80 in 2024, and resolve any action
Resolved: To continue seeking suggestions
- j) To update plans for Christmas
- i) Christmas card
Resolved: To note that the design is now complete
- ii) Dickensian Christmas Market on the Pleasure Ground
Resolved: To note that it is a 3pm start with lights going on at 4pm. There are 10 stalls. It will be advertised on social media.
- iii) Annual volunteers' tea
Resolved: To set a budget of £100 for the tea on 10th December in the Village Hall

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- k) To receive an update on the Community Emergency Plan
Resolved: To note that Cllr Cave is updating the list of volunteers and vulnerable people. He said it is important that everyone knows where equipment is.
- l) To receive information on designating an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Resolved: That the Clerk will contact the PCs in the other low villages for their input.
- m) To discuss any other Community and Open Space Management matters and resolve any action
- n) To discuss a letter received regarding the Low Villages Newsletter
It was questioned whether, if the price was raised as suggested, the newsletter would be value for money. It was suggested that advertising costs should be looked at. Elsham is now part of it but it needs a team of people to put the editorial together.
Resolved: To seek more information

23/24 – 1111 Village Hall

To receive an update from the Village Hall Improvements sub-group and resolve any action

- a) To discuss funding following refusal of Lottery grant
Resolved: To look into other grants such as the FCSS landfill grant.
- b) To discuss internal maintenance on Village Hall and resolve any action
It was agreed that the acoustic panels had made a big improvement
- c) To receive progress report on the review of the current Village Hall Management Agreement, discuss any proposed changes to the agreement and resolve any action.
Resolved: That as this is a complex matter advice should be sought. NLC will be approached in the first instance.
- d) To discuss a letter from a resident regarding parking
Resolved: That the recreation ground would not be opened up for parking. Parking on the estate roads is a matter for NLC and Ongo.

23/24 – 1112 Accounts

- a) To review current financial position and discuss 2024/25 precept
Resolved: To set the precept at the next meeting
- b) To note and sign new bank statements.
Resolved: To sign the bank reconciliation and statements
- c) To note payments since last meeting:
 - ERNLLCA (conference payment) £66.00
 - Sissons Gardening Services £544.39
 - Autela (payrolls) £54.58
 - RBL (wreath) £20.00
 - Ian Jobson £100.00
 - RBL wreaths £40.00
 - Brigg Electrics £1044.00
 - Clerks' Salaries

Resolved: To note the payments

23/24 – 1113 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

- a) Councillors to update the meeting on any progress on items not requiring decision and resolution, not otherwise detailed on the agenda. - None
- b) Matters of correspondence received since the agenda was posted. None
- c) To receive from Councillors agenda items for the next meeting

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23/24 - 1114 **Date and time of forthcoming meetings**

- a) To agree the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting
Tuesday, 12th December, 2023 at 7pm

23/24 - 1015 **To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.**

- a) Payment of Clerk's wages and expenses.
Resolved: To authorise payment
- b) To authorise NALC negotiated rise in Clerk's salary, back-date to April 2023 for current and previous clerk.
Resolved: To take note of the NALC increase in salary and authorise payment
- c) To consider Personnel Committee recommendation regarding Clerk vacancy
Resolved: To note that the current clerk will stay in post for the immediate future
- d) To discuss councillor communications
Resolved: To note that any communication between councillors and the public must go through the Clerk.