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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish held on **Tuesday 7th October 2025** at **Worlaby Village Hall**, Grange Field, Worlaby, Brigg DN20 0LZ, at **7pm.**

Present: Cllr M Speakman (Chair), Cllrs T Cave, H Truelove
Clerk to the Council: Hannah Hepworth
Ward Cllrs: Ward Councillors N Sherwood and C Sherwood
5 members of the public

Minutes

2510/01 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Bowles, Cllr Moran and Cllr Fowler and Rob Waltham

2510/02 **Public Participation**

A resident raised an objection to Sherwood House extension believing that there are inaccuracies in the information provided and that it would negatively on the Neighbourhood Plan. The heritage document has inaccuracies. The photographs show a building that would not be in-keeping and would be visible from all angles and believes that the planning application does not meet the objectives of the development.

A resident asked if anything can be done with the speed of the traffic down Top Road predominately from the Elsham end. The Ward Councillors will bring this up with Highway.

A parishioner mentioned an objection which follows what the previous resident stated.

2510/03 **Declarations 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.
None

b) To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below
None

2510/04 **Minutes of Previous meeting**

Proposed: Cllr Truelove, Seconded: Cllr Cave

Resolved: The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd September 2025 were approved – unanimous

2510/05 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

Potholes on New Road and Wold Road; the surface is not at an acceptable standard. The Ward Councillors have fed this back to North Lincs.

Drainage / ditch clearance has worked and there has been no issues in the period of heavy rainfall.

2510/06 **Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs**

NATs – there hasn't been a NATs meeting.

2510/07 Report from Ward Councillors

The Council policy on flags is that they are not going to take them down unless they were causing an issue or dilapidated. All Parish Councils are being invited to apply for a grant for a flagpole. If it is over 4m from the ground it will need planning permission.
9 new refuge collection vehicles have been ordered
Summer challenge in a reading challenge in the libraries; 6200 children took part in the reading challenge.
Air Fryers are available for pensioners through North Lincolnshire Council.
The Household Waste Recycling Facility at Melton Ross has been closed without warning due to Health and Safety issue due to the wind.
PA/2024/237 was brought to the attention of the Ward Councillors due to the removal of trees.
Anglian Water – apparently they are back on track and the pipes are all laid out and the technical aspects are all completed.
Data Centre – this is likely to be moving forward in November

2510/08 Planning

PA/2025/1055

Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded: Cllr Speakman – unanimous

Resolved: The following statement will be submitted:

Worlaby Parish Council object to this application based on two considerations: the design and size of both the significant house extension and the entertainment space, and unacceptable noise levels that will affect surrounding residential properties from the entertainment space. We also believe this should have been submitted as two separate applications.
Firstly, we disagree with The Planning Statement, which concludes that "the proposed works wouldn't have a direct affect to the Old Almshouses, or the view up The Hill, as they are shielded by mature trees", as this would only by for 6 months of the year and without this cover the impact will be detrimental to the views, furthermore The Statement professes that our property, The Gatehouse, will provide a natural shield, however what will shield the view of neighbouring properties, during the months of lesser and no foliage.
Whilst we appreciate that the property is looking somewhat 'tired', we would disagree with The Heritage Document that refers to the design "echoing traditional design features". In our opinion, large areas of glass, bright render, solar panels and a large grey roof expansion are not in keeping with the Grade II* Almshouse built in the 1700's and contravenes Worlaby Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2016-2038 - WNP4, which requires 'reinforcing local character and distinctiveness by complementing and interpreting the character and materials of the existing housing'.
Furthermore, in reference to WNP8 Landscapes and Gateways, this proposed large roof structure will have a negative impact on the wider North Easterly view of Worlaby from Middlegate.
Secondly, we object to the application in regards to the Planning Statement's reference to the "installation of a modest Garden Room, which allows views up the garden towards the property, pulling the front garden fully into use with the entire site".
Is it a 'modest garden room' or an 'Entertainment Space' as noted on the drawings showing a BBQ area and an entertainment space?
At 10m by 6m sizing right on the boundary of the site, we would regard it as a significant size and if it is purely a Garden Room, why does it require hot and cold-water services with a plumbed toilet, other than to pave the way for the future expansion to a larger construction or even a dwelling, which would have a significant impact on the locality. Its impact on the local environment would be significant.

Also it is our opinion, although there is an absence of specific detail provided for the finished materials, it does not appear to be in keeping with the visual character of the area.
Furthermore, we are very concerned about increased noise and disturbance as the use of an 'Entertainment Space' will generate unacceptable noise and disturbance, particularly given its proximity the boundary with neighbouring properties.
The application provides no details regarding noise insulation or mitigation measures to prevent this noise from disturbing neighbours. The council must consider whether the proposed building can genuinely be used as an entertainment space without causing a statutory noise nuisance.
We believe that it's intended use will generate significant noise which is incompatible with the quiet residential neighbourhood. As such, the shed's position is particularly insensitive to the privacy and peace of neighbouring homes.
For the reasons stated above, we believe that planning application PA/2025/1055 is contrary to sound planning principles. The development is not in keeping with both the historic environment and newer developments, and lead to an unacceptable level of noise disturbance for neighbouring residents.

Items B, C and D were deferred to the next meeting

B) To discuss and agree action (extension or extraordinary meeting) on any applications submitted after the date of the agenda published and date of meeting
c) To discuss and agree actions relating to delegated responsibilities of the Clerk, if any
d) To discuss the idea of Site Visits for Planning Applications and agree any actions

2510/9 Community Matters and Open Space Management

a) The Woodland Glade and Hollows – a noticeboard is in need of replacing
b) Jubilee Dell – the support for the trees is no longer there and there needs to be some sort of protection on them
c) Worlaby Recreation Committee – the First Aid Course went well with 8 attendees. The spare key / key fob has been removed for insurance purposes. The Rec Committee is understaffed with only 4 people and are not quorate for meetings.
d) Low Villages Forum – a meeting took place on 17th September. The quiz is the first Friday 5th December
e) Community Open Spaces - Church Path – Clerk to contact to Land Registry. Tree Survey report / arborist report is needed; Clerk to get three quotes for The Hollows, The Woodland Blade, Pleasure Ground and Recreation Field
f) Martyn's Law – legislation which is putting a duty on local organisation to have anti-terrorism measures in place.
g) Christmas Card – some entries have been received from three people with multiple submissions. These will be displayed at the next Coffee Morning and residents will be asked to vote on these. This will be publicised.

a) **2510/10 Risk Assessments and Safety Reports**

The risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlaby Parish Council were received

i) BT Kiosk, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
ii) War Memorial, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
iii) Flagpole, Main Street	Monthly inspection	Cllr Tom Cave
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

Dog bins have not been emptied since July

2510/11 Finance

Proposed: Cllr Truelove, Seconded: Cllr Cave

Resolved: the schedule of payments for October were agreed including Chestnut Mowing and Sissons – unanimous

The September bank statements were noted by all councillors.

The Financial Reports for September was noted

A bank account with HSBC account in the name of Worlaby Parish Council has been opened with Cllr Speakman and Hannah Hepworth as signatories – unanimous

The Q2 budget was received

A 6 month VAT claim has been submitted for £453.57

Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded: Cllr Speakman

Resolved: £500 will be donated to WI for their celebration – unanimous

2510/11 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Cave – unanimous

Resolved: A grant of £500 was awarded to the WI. The Clerk will contact them to discuss this further – unanimous

The next agenda

Standing Orders

To discuss and agree action (extension or extraordinary meeting) on any applications submitted after the date of the agenda published and date of meeting

To discuss and agree actions relating to delegated responsibilities of the Clerk, if any

To discuss the idea of Site Visits for Planning Applications and agree any actions

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Cave – unanimous

Resolved: Emails will go over to Kyanite

Emergency Plan

2510/13 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

The next meeting will be Tuesday 4th November 2025 7pm

2510/14 Exclusion of Press and Public

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Cave

Resolved: The public left the meeting

2510/15 Communication

a) Deferred to next meeting

Meeting closed: 8.25pm