

# Hemswell Cliff Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 30 November 2015 in the Room of Requirement at Hemswell Cliff Primary School.

**Present:** Councillors Beevers, Hann, Kirman, Prestwood (Chair), Richardson, and Clerk Tom Clay

**In Attendance:** District Councillor Howitt-Cowan and County Councillor Strange

**Apologies:** Councillor Kirman for lateness and Councillor Webber

Minute Number	Item or Decision
	<b><u>Procedural Items</u></b>
140/1516	<p><b>Declarations of interest</b> No declarations were made.</p> <p>In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Orders, Councillor Prestwood would chair the meeting in Councillor Kirman's absence.</p>
141/1516	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2015</b> Councillor Beevers proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true and proper record of the meeting, Councillor Richardson seconded, and the minutes were approved.</p>
142/1516	<p><b>Public Questions</b> Two residents of the Parish Council were present and asked a number of questions of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Principally they wanted to know if the Parish Council supported growth in Parish and what consultation had taken place to reach whatever position the Parish Council had decided on.</p> <p>Councillor Prestwood answered on behalf of the Parish Council saying that the Council was in favour of growth, but that it had to be appropriate. In a recent response to the Local Plan the Parish Council had specifically said it didn't want to see development south of the A631 or in the rural parts of the Parish. However, the Parish Council was in favour of business growth and appropriate new housing expansion.</p> <p>The residents raised concerns around a lack of information about planning, the Local Plan consultation being inadequate, that data used by developers was out of date and that the Parish Council should do more to consult.</p> <p>District Councillor Howitt Cowan said that he had picked up on some of the concerns around the Local Plan consultation. He had been clear from the start that development was welcome, but that homes had to be</p>

	<p>built to certain standard and that 'quality homes' were required. He also said that he supported the Master Plan for the business park and hoped it would bring extra jobs to the area. He said that he supported the idea of the Parish Council and residents exploring the possibility of drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>The members of the public present felt that the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan and the consultation involved with it would be welcome.</p> <p>County Councillor Strange said he too supported the idea of Neighbourhood Plan and suggested that the Parish Council might want to see what funding is available from WLDC.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Councillor Prestwood asked the Clerk to include a discussion about the Local Plan on the next ordinary meeting agenda. The Clerk was also asked to send an invitation to an officer of WLDC Luke Brown and County Councillor Steve England to attend.</p>
143/1516	<p><b>Chair's remarks</b></p> <p>Councillor Prestwood reported that the Parish Council's Christmas tree had blown over in strong winds, but that he and a team of people would ensure it was upright again before the weekend.</p>
144/1516	<p><b>Clerk's Report</b></p> <p>The Clerk reported that he had received a phone call from the Police about an incident near the illegal encampment. The matter was an issue for Preim and the Clerk had informed the Police that they would need to get in contact with that organisation.</p>
145/1516	<p><b>Police, crime and anti-social behaviour update</b></p> <p>No report was made.</p>
146/1516	<p><b>District and County Council update</b></p> <p>District Councillor Howitt-Cowan gave the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Chairman of WLDC has returned after a period of ill-health.</li> <li>• There will be another meeting about the travellers organised by WLDC about the travellers. The Chief Executive has been clear that officers must do everything in their power to resolve the problem.</li> <li>• There will be a Partnership Meeting on Monday 7 December 2015.</li> <li>• He had attended a buffet of VOCAT members to celebrate the success of the wind farm appeal.</li> </ul> <p>County Councillor Strange gave the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County Council funding and the cuts aren't going to be easy. Councillors will look to protect principle services.</li> <li>• County Council will likely take on a greater care role, especially with older people, in coming years.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He was only too happy to provide funding for RAF Hemswell Day 2015 and would look to do so again in the future.</li> <li>• He urged people to get in touch if there was a problem.</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Clerk to send an email to Trading Standards and the Environment Agency about the scrap metal dealing in the area. The Clerk will also ask other partners and the local PCSO for information.</p>
<b>147/1516</b>	<p><b>Ball Park Sub-committee update</b> Cllr Prestwood reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posters had been circulated asking for volunteers.</li> <li>• The inspection of the site had just been carried out and there wasn't much to report.</li> </ul>
<b>148/1516</b>	<p><b>Councillors' Updates</b> Councillor Hann: Jubilee Games will take place on 25 June 2016 on the same day as the Big Lunch. The number of newsletters is likely to go down.</p> <p>Councillor Kirman: Fly-tipping on the A631, especially around the sewage works, is becoming a problem. The issue has been reported.</p> <p>Councillor Richardson said the speed sign near Caenby Corner had broken. The issue has been reported.</p> <p>Councillor Prestwood said that he would chase Glendale over path maintenance.</p>
	<b><u>Business Items</u></b>
<b>149/1516</b>	<p><b>Finances</b> <b>A) Payments made</b> The following payments were approved and cheques drawn up during the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £193.79 – Clerk's Pay November 2015</li> <li>• £48.40 - HMRC (Clerk's Pay November 2015)</li> <li>• £10 – T Clay for payroll November 2015</li> <li>• £161.81 – Glendale (formerly Veolia) green space maintenance November 2015</li> </ul> <p><b>B) Bank Reconciliation</b> The Clerk updated councillors about the bank reconciliation. The Clerk said that he was expecting to receive a £200 receipt from LCC at some point in Dec.</p> <p><b>C) 2016-2017 Precept</b> After reviewing and considering the most recent 2016-2017 precept proposal and the information sent through by WLDC, Cllr Kirman proposed, seconded by Cllr Beevers, that a figure of £10,250 be put</p>

	<p>forward for approval at the January 2016 Ordinary Meeting.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b> - The proposal received unanimous support and the Clerk was instructed to prepare the appropriate paperwork.</p>
<b>150/1516</b>	<p><b>Travellers on the Parish Council's Green Space</b></p> <p>The Clerk gave a short update about the legal situation. The Clerk said that he a number of other people would be attending a meeting on 9 December at the Guildhall to discuss the matter.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b> – This item will appear on the next ordinary meeting agenda.</p>
<b>151/1516</b>	<p><b>The establishment of Parish Council Bye Laws</b></p> <p><b>Resolved</b> – Councillors to review what activities they think need to be prohibited under a bye law and provide that information to the Clerk at the next ordinary meeting.</p>
<b>152/1516</b>	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>The Clerk said that the Parish Council had since the last meeting made a comment about a planning application for reconfigured storage pond and holding tanks at the Digestate site.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b> - The Clerk was asked to send round information supplied by the officer at LCC regarding to the storage pond.</p>
	<b><u>Next Ordinary Meeting</u></b>
<b>153/1516</b>	<p><b>Items for inclusion on the next agenda</b></p> <p>Councillors asked for the following items to be included on the next ordinary meeting agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Precept Determination</li> <li>• Consideration of a Neighbourhood Plan</li> <li>• Update about the traveller situation</li> <li>• Consideration of bye laws</li> </ul>
<b>154/1516</b>	<p><b>Date and time of next Ordinary Meeting</b></p> <p>The date of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as Monday 4 January 2016, starting at 7:30pm, it will take place in the Room of Requirement at Hemswell Cliff Primary School.</p>

Meeting started at 7:30pm and closed at 9:15pm

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