

Toft with Lound & Manthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting at Witham on the Hill Parish Hall on Thursday 13th January 2022 at 7pm.

Present

Cllr. Richard Stephenson (Chairman)

C.Cllr. Robert Reid

Cllr. Sue Renner

D.Cllr Penny Robins

Cllr. Richard Hartley

Cllr Simon Lawton

Clerk Rosemary Trollope-Bellew

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Public Forum

The following was reported to Councillors:-

- Lound Road.
- Footpath – Toft poor conditions
- Request for bins and notice at both laybys between Toft and Witham on the Hill cross roads. **Action D.Cllr Robins.**
- Residents thanked Cllr Stephenson for all the work in organising the new play and fitness equipment for the parish playing field. All agreed.

1. **Chairman's Opening remarks** Cllr Stephenson welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for absence & reasons given** – Cllr Dawson – isolating.
3. **Declarations of Interest** –None
4. **Approve Minutes of 30th September 2021 & matters arising** -Proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Renner. All agreed.
5. **Highways-**

- a) White Gates-Village entrance/exit – Cllr Stephenson reported that a Road Traffic Order would be required. It was agreed by Councillors not to progress at this present time but keep on file. All Agreed.
- b) Community Speed Watch –It was agreed by Councillors as Item 5a. All agreed.
- c) Parish Walkabout-Cllr Stephenson reported that he had met with the new manager for highways and C.Cllr Reid. The following have been agreed:
 - Pedestrian crossing signs for Toft Golf Course;
 - Various potholes;
 - Highway bollards on A6121 and dropped kerb outside Stonehaven been ordered
 - Potential scheme on Manthorpe footways to be looked at but funding may not be available until 2022/23 financial year unless there were safety defects found.

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- Other work to be undertaken as priority:- Missing Gully Cover on Main Road,
Remove Priority Signs from the Bridge, Patch Entrance to Golf Course – Car Park, Lining at The Badger Site -Thurlby Road, New Z Bend Sign was cancelled as one already present.
- Road Traffic Order – Manthorpe Road no action to date.

6. Planning

- a) S21/2339 Mr and Mrs Hennessy -Erection of first floor extension, insertion of balconies to front and rear. The Brambles , Manthorpe. Cllr made no objection. All agreed. **Approved 10.01.22**. There was a quivery on the date for response by the council. **Action D.Cllr**.
- b) S21/2467 Mr Brown single storey side extension enlarging front drive area and forming enlarge rear terrace by cutting into raised rear garden. Cllrs made no objection. All agreed.
- c) S21/2159 Mr Brown Conversion of agricultural building to form 2 larger dwelling houses and 3 smaller dwelling houses Church Hill Farm, Main Road, Toft. Cllrs objected. **Refused 22.12.21**
- d) S21/1762 Mr Brown Church Hill Farm, Toft –change of use of an existing agricultural building to form 5 properties. **REFUSED 20.10.21**
- e) **Late-None**.

7. Financial Matters-

- a) Balances to date: Account b/f £25,430.12

Clerk reported that a cheque had been returned as not signed in accordance with the banks mandate. A letter had been sent to the bank asking for further information and confirmation of signatories as no problems had been experience previously.

It was agreed by the majority that a second cheque would not be issued until confirmation of signatories. Cllr Hartley asked that it be noted he did not support this decision.

It was agreed that a debit card request be made to enable the council to access online banking. All agreed. **Action Clerk**.

b) Payments:-	Invoice required	£38.00
	St John Ambulance -fireworks cover	£115.20
	Royal British Legion-wreath	£22.25
	Sensory Trust-playing field	£7.00
	Land Registry-playing field	£7.00
	R Stephenson-bonfire night food	£23.35
	Munton Butchers-bonfire night food	£100.00
	G Plews-grass cutting playing field	£500.00
	A Childs-defib expenses refund	£249.60
	R Hartley-tree ties	£9.50
	Agile Eng-structural survey Jasmine cottage	£600.00
	R Stephenson-signage playing field	£37.20
	R Blanchard-gate	£887.91
	T Sharman-Jasmine cottage	£5106.00
	R Hartley-flags	£27.50

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NHS Charities together-donation	£150.00
Curreys-printing ink	£39.99
Mcfee computer security	£24.99
St Andrews PHMC-hire of venue 3x14	£42.00

It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Lawton that the above be paid. All agreed.

- c) Precept 2022/23 –It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson and seconded by Cllr Renner that there would be a zero precept request. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**
- d) Playing field – new pay equipment quotations/scoring matrix-
 - I. It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Renner that the preferred supplier for Adult Gym equipment would be Caloo and look to either upgrading one piece of equipment or obtain portable tables/benches. All agreed. **Action Cllrs.**
 - II. It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Renner that the preferred supplier for play equipment would be Wicksteed. All agreed. **Action Cllrs.**
 - III. It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Hartley that £10,000.00 be transferred from Melton Mowbray Building Society to Current Account. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**
 - IV. It was also agreed to send a letter to MMBS to update signatories. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**

8. Parish Property

- a) Jasmine Cottage-Cllr Hartley updated councillors on work done to date. It was agreed to forward a copy of the structural report & letter. **Action Cllr RS/Clerk.**
- b) Playing Field-It was reported that the fireworks event was well attended thanks to Cllr Reid for supplying soup.
- c) Noticeboards-Lound poor condition, to be dealt with during financial year 2022/23. **Action Cllrs.**
- d) Bus Shelters-Witham on the Hill maintenance work summer 2022. **Action Cllr JD**
- e) Defibrillators – moved from to Toft Golf Club, require spare pads for Manthorpe. **Action Cllrs SR/RS.**
- f) Marquees – Nothing to report.
- g) Townlands/Allotment-Cllr Stephenson reported on behalf of Cllr Dawson on the annual inspection of council assets. It was proposed by Cllr Stephenson and seconded by Cllr Hartley that a letter be sent to a tenant asking for various items to be rectified. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**
It was also agreed that tenancies should be reviewed. **Action Cllrs/Clerk.**
- h) BT Kiosk-nothing to report.

9. Village Concerns

- 1. Anglianwater-new pipeline from Grantham to near Downham Market-update. Nothing to report. **Monitor.**
- 2. Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 2nd-6th June 2022. It was agreed to arrange a meeting. All agreed. **Action Cllrs.**
- 3. LCC – Broadband connectivity in Lincolnshire – nothing to report. **Monitor.**
- 4. It was agreed to register the parish to be included in SKDC clean. **Action Clerk.**
- 5. It was reported that landowners/farmers had agreed for the Council to plant trees, request for Oak along the hedge line. **Action Cllr JD.**

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It was agreed that a letter be sent to confirm. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**

6. PL/0082/20 Greatford Gravel extraction – Clerk reported that this application was pending legal agreement.

10. **Correspondence**

1. SKDC Council tax support scheme consultation ends 05/10/21
2. **Road Closure Order in place on: Braceborough And Wilsthorpe/Manthorpe**
Wilsthorpe Road/ Manthorpe Road/Main Street (From Main Street Manthorpe to Baston rd)
Speed limit on Toft/Carlby
A6121 Main Road/Stamford Road (Between Lound Road, Toft & High Street, Carlby)
3. Eforest – offer 150 free native trees for 2022 – Aspen/Yew

11. **Reports from Outside Bodies**

1. D.Cllr Robins reported that the district had issued ideas for the forthcoming jubilee, latest figures of omicron virus in the East Midlands, hibred meetings for councils, new funding grant for hospitality leisure and accommodation businesses.
2. C.Cllr Reid reported on cut to the county councils highways maintenance grants, report on highways walkabout, Health and travel.

12. **Any Other Business**

1. New council computer.

13. **To resolve on whether the Council will move into Closed Session**, members of the press and public were asked to leave the meeting in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) to discuss items 1 and 8a. None.

14. **Date of Next Meeting** –7pm at Witham on the Hill Parish Hall on:- 3rd March 2022 Annual Parish Meeting, 5th May Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council.

Meeting closed – 20.10

Signature

Date