

Toft with Lound & Manthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Witham on the Hill Parish Hall on Thursday 20th July 2023 at 19.00

Present

Cllr. Richard Hartley
Cllr. James Brown (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Mrs Sue Renner
Cllr Stu Brett

Clerk Rosemary Trollope-Bellew

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Public Forum

1. Concern about a drain at Toft – reported to FixmyStreet – may be a blocked culvert.
2. Continued speeding problems at Toft.
3. Repairs to footpaths at Manthorpe – on Lincolnshire County Councils List to be done at a later date.

032/23 Chairman's remarks – Cllr Brown opened the meeting.

033/23 Co-option of Councillor – It was proposed by Cllr Hartley and seconded by Cllr Mrs Renner that Stuart Brett be co-opted onto the Council. All agreed. Cllr Brett signed the Acceptance of Office.

034/23 Apologies for absence & reasons given – Cllr Stephenson, C.Cllr Reid & D.Cllr Penny Robins.

035/23 Declarations of Interest - None

- 036/23 Minutes of the last meeting held 18th May 2023. It was proposed by Cllr Hartley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Renner that the minutes be signed as a correct record. All agreed. **Action Cllr Brown.**
- i. Cllr Renner gave an update on training and types of re-active speed signs available. The Clerk reported that she had requested a meeting with The Lincs Road Safety Partnership (LRSP) residents and councillors. It was proposed by Cllr Brown that the clerk contacts LRSP to arrange a site appraisal at Toft and Manthorpe. Agreed. **Action Clerk**
 - ii. Clerk reported that she had contacted the district council on a number of occasions in regards to a request for a street light at Toft but had received no response to date. **Action Clerk.**
 - iii. Overhanging hedge at Toft had been dealt with. **No Action required.**
 - iv. Cllr Brown reported that the majority of potholes along Back Lane had been repaired but required re-surfacing.
 - v. Cllr Brown reported that he had spoken to developers about parking at Toft which residents felt had improved.
 - vi. Cllr Brown reported that Toft Golf Club would repair their boundary in the Autumn.

037/23 Highways

- I. Lincolnshire County Council-8 free litter picking kits. It was proposed by Cllr Hartley and seconded by Cllr Mrs Renner to accept the offer of litter picking kits and would be kept at the Playing field. **Action Clerk.**

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- II. 30mph stickers to be placed on litter bins. The Clerk reported that a resident had contacted LCC. It was agreed that more information was required. **Action Clerk.** Cllrs were concerned that the bins were being left in the middle of driveways or away from the property. **Action Clerk.**

- III. Additional-None

038/23 Planning

- a) S23/1245 F Smith-land adjacent to Hillside Toft-non-material amendment to 1st floor materials in relation to S22/1672(erection of detached 2 storey dwelling). Nothing to report.
- b) S23/0652 Eling, sunnyside Cottage, Lound-**Refused** certificate for use of land as garden.
- c) S23/1204 Toft Golf Club-extension to facilities – No objections.
- d) S22/2060 Strutt & Parker, Pond Meadow, Toft-submission of details reserved by C4 pursuant to S19/1066. No Objections
- e) SKDC-Local Development Plan 2023-2026 – information sent to cllrs to respond. To be sent to all councillors.
- f) Late applications – None.

039/23 Financial

- a. Balances to date-current = £17644.66, BIAA=£1066.57, MMBS=£3506.08=£22217.31
Received VAT £8909.21
- b. Payments:
 - 1. LALC- annual subscription provides legal advice £138.99
 - 2. ROSPA-equipment inspection £90.00
 - 3. Aqualoo-Coronation event £216.00
Aqualoo chq 057 £160.00 cancelled – incorrect amount.
 - 4. Elaine Sutton-coronation event £51.00It was proposed by Cllr Brown and seconded by Cllr Hartley to pay item 1-4
- c. Council Accounts-
 - i. Transfer to Metrobank Community fixed 1yr term deposit a/c=3.71% against MMBS 90 day notice withdrawal a/c 0.25%.
 - ii. Transfer from Barclays current a/c to Metrobank Community Business Account
It was proposed by Cllr Hartley and seconded by Cllr Mrs Renner that the council would give notice to close to Melton Mowbray Building Society and agreed the following:-
 - i. It was agreed to open a community fixed term deposit account with £5,000 to the Metro bank.
 - ii. It was agreed to close all accounts with Barclays Bank and open a Metrobank community business account.
 - iii. Signatories for Accounts.-
It was proposed by Cllr Hartley and Cllr Mrs Renner that the signatories would be Cllrs Stephenson, Brown, Brett and Clerk Mrs Trollope-Bellew.
- d. Clerks annual salary-It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Renner and seconded by Cllr Brown that the clerk annual salary be increased from £810.68 to £1076.16 which had not been increased since 2016. All agreed.

040/23 Parish Property

- a) Jasmine Cottage- nothing to report.
- b) Playing Field- Clerk reported that the Rospa inspection was arranged for August.
It was proposed by Cllr Hartley and seconded by Cllr Brett that the painting of benches & bus shelter be awarded to Mr Jason Kendall. All agreed. **Action Cllrs.**
Cllr Hartley reported that Simon Lawton had agreed to take the lead in organising the annual fireworks party which would take place at the Playing field and asked that a request for more volunteers be placed in the Parish Magazine.
Cllr Hartley reported that no maintenance was required for the adult gym equipment.
- c) Noticeboards-nothing to report.
- d) Bus Shelters- Witham on the Hill to be repainted as agreed Item b.

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- e) Defibrillators –Clerk reported that she had updated the information onto the NHS the circuit. Cllr Mrs Renner reported that Simon Lawton was dealing with the addition of a new defibrillator at Toft and it was agreed to ask him to the next meeting to give an update. **Action Clerk/Cllrs.**
- f) Marquee – nothing to report
- g) Townlands/Allotments – nothing to report.
- h) Street Furniture – as item b
- i) BT Kiosk – nothing to report
- j) Computer – to place onto the agenda – IT & email protocols for use with new parish council laptop.
Action Clerk.

041/23 Village Concerns – Nothing to report.

042/23 Correspondence

- a. Patrick Coates-Supt East Area Police letter inviting Chairman to a six monthly meeting.
- b. Thank you letters for donation received – Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, Wendy Cooke Witham on the Hill Church, Royal British Legion Bourne Branch.
- c. National Lottery Fund request for next phase at Playing field-community hut. Ref20244333.
- d. External Auditor-SBA-receipt of council year of end accounts 2023.
- e. SKDC Community Awards including the Community in Bloom which replaces the Best Kept Village competition.
- f. Late entries-SKDC Climate Action Strategy Consultation – opens 7th August 2023

043/23 Reports from Outside Bodies – nothing to report.

044/23 Any Other Business-none.

045/23 To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session - None.

046/23 Date of next meeting- 5th October 2023 at 7pm at Witham on the Hill Parish Hall.

Meeting closed 8.00pm