



secure additional funding; information sources, evidence required, advice and the role of Lincolnshire CVS; and how to create new or extra allotments, community gardening schemes, 'in bloom' groups. The Chairman extended the invitation to other Council members as he and the Clerk will not be available to attend.

b) Clerk's Report – noted.

c) Best Kept Village Competition – The results of the 2016 competition were received today and Cllr A Woodward reported that the village reached Round 2 again this year. The village received 144 out of a total 150 points in the first round held in June. The overall impression was very good and the village was given full marks for community effort. The second round results were 107 out of 150. The judge was very impressed with the facilities in the church and the state of the churchyard. The village was let down by litter on the main road and the condition of the footpaths. The results will be published in the next issue of Utterby Voice. Cllr Woodward hopes to create a volunteer group with area responsibilities to help with the cleanliness campaign. The Chairman expressed his thanks to Cllr A Woodward for all his hard work.

Clerk

d) LALC News No. 159 including Annual Report for 2015/16– noted. The Parish Council wished to record their thanks to the outgoing Chief Executive Mrs Trisha Carter for all her work and support and congratulations to Mrs Katrina Evans for taking over.

Clerk

e) Final recommendation on the new electoral arrangements for Lincolnshire County Council- noted.

f) Northern Powergrid new 105 power cut number – noted.

16/09-8 Finance and Budgets

a) Payments – It was proposed, seconded and resolved to sign payments for July 2016 as follows:

Clerk

- i. Parish Clerk salary and expenses for July and August 2016– £325.26
- ii. HMRC Tax on Clerk Salary - £72.40
- iii. Tudor Grounds Maintenance – Invoices 2130 & 2152 for village green maintenance - £144.00
- iv. D Buckley – Invoice 0160141 for Village Green hedge cutting - £80.00
- v. DW Gibbs – Invoice for Bus shelter cleaning August and September - £40.00
- vi. There were no other urgent payments

b) Annual Audit 2015/16 –conclusion of Annual Audit from External Auditor noted

16/09-10 Parish Council Amenities (bus shelters, village green, etc)

a) Village Green – The mole issue will be discussed at the next meeting. Cllr A Mackin will speak to the tenant at Braemar to request that the shrubs in his property overhanging into the village green be pruned to allow the maintenance contractor to mow the grass further and cut the weeds and nettles.

Cllr N Mackin

b) Utterby Voice –Councillors have delivered the September 2016 issue.

c) Welcome Pack – Cllr A Woodward delivered a pack to the new residents of White Cottage.

16/09-11 ELDC/LCC Services (Streetlights, Bins, Highways, Verges, Footpaths, etc)

a) ELDC Footway Lighting – A number of Councillors objected that the public consultation had been issued in the September issue of the Utterby Voice. The minutes of the July meeting suggested that without full information, the Council will not be able to consult residents. The Chairman asserted that there was no further information coming from ELDC and that it was already agreed at the Annual Parish Meeting that residents will be consulted. It could not be delayed any further as this issue has been outstanding for a long time and it was believed that ELDC were soon to take a decision on the matter. There have been reports that some footway lighting in the village had already been turned off without being notified by ELDC. The Chairman wanted to ensure that residents' views were sought before ELDC makes the decision for the parish council. He regretted that Councillors had not been consulted in advance as the matter was urgent. The results of the consultation will not be binding on Council's decision. The 21 parish councils in the collaboration have also not been able to gather further information and are hoping that ELDC will reconsider their proposal.

16/09-12 Date and time of Next Meeting

Utterby Parish Council Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, 5th October 2016, 7 pm

The meeting closed at 8:25 pm.

Signed:

Date: