



## PUBLIC FORUM

- A member of the public reported that they had issues with a neighbouring landowner who had left their plot to go fallow and now the area was full of nettles, thistles and ragwort which was seeding into their garden. A second member of the public said that they too had the same issue with some pasture next to their own property which was owned by the same landowner. Cllr Mossop suggested contacting ELDC regarding the overgrown pasture.
- A member of the public said there was an issue with a hedge growing up impeding vision when turning onto the main road. Cllr TB said he would report this to LCC Highways.
- A member of the public objected to only having 5 minutes in which to speak in the public forum. The Clerk reported that the Public Forum was not statutory, but good practice and that some Councils did not allow the public to speak at all. Any items that the public wished to raise should be brought to the attention of a councillor to request being added to an agenda. Cllr AW explained if a very important discussion ensued then Standing Orders could be suspended to allow for more than the allotted time.
- A member of the public reported that the kerbstones were being broken up by building plant on Grange Lane, another reported Holywell Lane was in the same situation. Cllr Tony Bridges(LCC) said he would report to LCC.
- Cllr Edward Mossop (ELDC)reported he had furthered enquiries regarding street signs and we should apply to ELDC for the worst ones to be replaced. Clerk to process once the tidy up was complete. Cllr Mossop further reported that Fotherby Parish Council now had 4 members and so this was looking positive. Cllr Mossop reported that his time was being taken up currently with a big estate being built on land bordering Keddington.
- Cllr Bridges expressed that he was very happy to assist the Parish Council and if there were any issues to email him. Cllr Bridges left at 7:15pm.

### 46 Record of Members Present and Apologies:

**Present** - Cllr Alan Woodward (AW) (Chair), Cllr Terry Buckley (TB), Cllr John Mackin (JM), Cllr Nicola Mackin (NM), Cllr Glenda Thorndycroft (GT) Cllr Ann Van Spall (AVS), and Cllr Jackie Woodward (JW).

**In Attendance** - Councillor Tony Bridges (LCC), Cllr Edward Mossop (ELDC), Clerk Maria Vincent and 3 members of the public.

**Apologies Received** - None

### 47 To receive any Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

None, but new DPI forms will be sent out to those who have joined the Village Hall Committee.

### 48 Minutes of Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to approve as correct the minutes of the annual meeting 5th June 2019.

### 49 Council Matters, Actions and Communications

a) The Chairman reported that he had attended a lovely service at Lincoln, the inauguration of Cllr Tony Bridges as Chairman of Lincolnshire County Council. Further he reported that he had produced a flyer for the village tidy up which he had delivered to properties in the village and he had been heartened to see so many gardens looking so neat and tidy. Cllr AW reported that they had personally had a large tree come down during the bad weather which had alerted him to the possible issues the

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Parish Council could have with their own trees. Cllr AW expressed how he, and members of the tidy up group, had been taken aback when painting the bus shelters at just how fast and busy traffic was going along the A16. It was also mentioned that the reactive speed signs were only working intermittently.

b) **Clerk's Report** - The Clerk said the damaged traffic island and also the drains down Grange Lane had been reported to LCC, but in future more detail when reporting faults ie highways were required. She reported that she was having issues finding any contractor who can do the weed killing as special training and equipment is required to undertake this. Regarding the street signs she confirmed the advice Cllr Mossop had given.

## c) **Communications received**

The Clerk reported the following correspondence for noting:

- i. RAF benevolent fund
- ii. Fire safety - Cllr AW suggested we add details to the Utterby Voice
- iii. Wolds Countryside Report on AONB

## 50 **Personnel Panel**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations of the Personnel Panel regarding increasing the Clerk's contract from 16 to 18 hours per month, with any extra hours worked to be authorised and paid every 4 months, increase in rate of pay and payment for SLCC membership.

## 51 **Finance and Budgets**

- a. It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr NM would check the Quarterly Financial Monitoring records.
- b. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the following payments:
  - i. DW Gibbs - June bus shelter cleaning £20.00
  - ii. Staff - Salary + expenses June £188.71
  - iii. Tudor Grounds Maintenance -May x 2 village green cutting £81.60
  - iv. Glendale Countryside Ltd - June 14th verges cut £70.80
  - v. Village Hall -April May and June £60.00
- c. It was **RESOLVED** that there would be no payments made in August.
- d. The Clerk gave a report on the financial overview - see report attached.

## 52 **Planning Matters**

- a. The Clerk circulated the documents regarding N/192/01094/19 Land to the south of Cherry Holt and after much discussion, including thoughts from Cllr Edward Mossop (ELDC), they **RESOLVED** to **object** to outline erection permission of 1 dwelling being approved as the application is not in keeping with the Local Plan. It does not meet Strategic Policy SP4, it not being located in the fully developed part of the footprint of the village. Furthermore, there are no outline details at all of the design, appearance or materials to be used.
- b. An urgent email had been received requiring input for a flooding enquiry, at the Cottage Main Road Utterby. The Council were to try to find the location of the cottage.

## 53 **Parish Council Amenities (bus shelters, village green, etc)**

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- a) Welcome Pack – no new residents

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- b) Bus shelters update - All had either been painted or were due to be painted with paint donated by B&Q in Louth. It was reported that the perspex in the shelter opposite Benson Court was very discoloured and needed either removing or replacing.
- c) Kissing Gates had been refurbished. A quote had been received for £50 to trim this area each time and remove debris, and it was **RESOLVED** to accept this (David Buckley) and for it to be carried out 2-3 times each year.
- d) Village Green - all fine
- e) Utterby Tidy Up - Cllr AW gave an overview and was delighted so many people had come forward to help. It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr JW and Cllr GT would buy 4 rectangular troughs at £34.99 each, and compost, flowers etc up to a cost of £250 and get them planted up. Cllr AVS expressed her thanks to all those involved as she had been away and so had not been involved until this time. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write a thank you letter to B&Q and Cllr AW would erect laminated signs in the bus shelters for B&Qs donation. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write to Waterloo Housing to report the Village Tidy Up and to request any extra pruning they could do around their properties.
- f) Utterby Voice - September edition to include a Tidy Up article, Fire alarm info, a view of a young person growing up in the village and an update of the Village Hall progress.
- g) Verges - looking very good, cut that day.

**54 ELDC/LCC Services (Streetlights, Bins, Highways, Verges, Footpaths, etc**

- a) The Clerk read out the report from the Footpaths Access Volunteer (FAV).  
Field gate on Fotherby Top to Grange Farm BW now replaced along with field gate at Grange Farm  
Kissing gates footpath in Utterby village blocked halfway along by small tree and flood water. LCC notified.  
Section of Utterby field path through Oil Seed Rape approaching Covenham St Mary still not reinstated making FP impassable at this point. LCC again made aware. Also lack of 1<sup>st</sup> mow along length of same FP, makes FP virtually un-walkable. Pressed LCC for mow as soon as possible. Suggested to LCC put a FP closed sign at either end until all jobs done.  
Tree part blocking promoted BW from Grove Farm Utterby to The Gowt Covenham St Mary. LCC notifying landowner.  
2 large ash trees blown across FP from Chalk Lane to North Elkington Lane by May Wood now removed clear of path  
Tree blown across promoted FP from Fanthorpe Lane (Louth) to Ackthorpe Lane. LCC notifying landowner. Is currently being avoided through crop field.  
Stile on FP Fotherby Common to North Elkington damaged unsafe. LCC made aware but unwilling to remedy. Will be pursued.  
Vegetation obstructing headland FP from valley bottom to part way up to Fotherby Top Farm. LCC will include in 2<sup>nd</sup> mow.

**55 Notifications**

None.

**56 Date and time of Next Meeting**

Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday September 4th 2019 - no August meeting.

**Meeting finished at 8:47pm.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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