

## SOUTH WITHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr 2018 at 7.30pm

**Present 18-43** Cllr K Jolley (Chair), Cllr C Ashton, Cllr J Oldfield, Cllr C v Straubensee, Cllr S Lansdowne, Cllr F Parish, Cllr M Kinning, Cllr P Golding, Mrs H Sandon (parish clerk) LCCllr/ SKDCllr R Adams, VHMC Chair

**Apologies for Absence 18-44** Cllr White, SKDCllr A Webster

**Receive Declaration of Interests 18-45** none

**Public Forum 18-46** none

**Report from LCllr Bob Adams 18-47** Mr Adams advised that LCC is to spend an additional £3 million on potholes across the County. He said potholes should be reported to LCC via the website / telephone and advised against using the “ fix my street” phone app. as this does not reach LCC.

He will speak with SKDCllr Andrea Webster re. the Great Close flooding issue and it is hoped will take this matter up with Nick Boles, as it is still unresolved as to whose responsibility this is for sorting out the drainage problem.

### **Notes of the PC monthly meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018 18-48**

The notes of the meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the Chair in acceptance as minutes.

### **Financial Matters 18-49**

**a) Monthly Accounts** SWPC total bank balance £27132.15, BMM £26859.35, Play project £272.80.

Income received; 1) VHMC contribution to showers fitted £400.00, Payments; 1) Helen Sandon Mar pay/exps £523.28 ( includes. cemetery green bin payment £35.00 , 2) Janine Costello Mar litter picking £105.00, 3) Finding Fitness inv3 £230.40, 4) Paul Dalby - showers replacement £724.37 & 5) boiler service £142.80, 6) VHMC fitness hall hire ( covered by fitness grant) £125.00, 7) Shelter Maintenance ( bus shelter notice board perspex) £20.95

Gordon has kindly offered to perform the internal audit for SWPC once again.

### **Clerk's and Councillors' reports on ; 18-50**

#### **a) Village Hall, Cllr Jolley**

**i) External Lights** Cllr Jolley arranging VH repair with DGM Electrical, along with jitty solar lights. Cllrs Jolley and Ashton to sort lighting position on Templars to Wellfield jitty.

**ii) Roof** Cllr Jolley had arranged for a local roofer to fix the broken tiles and is to further source quotes for the main roof work / pointing required.

**iii) Other** Mike Kelly, VHMC Chair advised that there is a fault with the VH top lock and also water seeping through the kitchen wall, Cllr Jolley to investigate further/ sort repair. Mr Kelly advised of VHMC Annual Meeting to be held in VH on Sun 15<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am and also that the Summer Ball tickets are selling well.

Clerk advised - VH alarm to be service on 17/4/18, Cllr Hodgkin to meet engineer.

#### **b) Other Road Safety issues, Cllr Parish**

**i) Interactive sign** No date received as yet for new speed sign install, clerk to chase. The existing sign on the High St will not be moved by LCC until May, due to current workload. Therefore SWPC agreed to site the new sign on the North Witham Rd initially, until the old one has been moved.

**ii) Wheelie bin 30 mph stickers** Stickers are being sold in both shops for purchase at 50p each. SWPC to put on its cemetery bins also.

**iii) Purchase of additional passive signs at £8.00 each** SWPC agreed to the purchase of an additional 10 signs.

**c) Allotments, Cllr van Straubensee** Renewal information has been sent out by the clerk to all allotment holders for completion, ready for the new allotment year commencing the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018. Any vacant plots to be offered to those on the waiting list.

**d) Play area inspection, Cllr Oldfield** **i) Monthly inspection / repairs** All ok, minor repairs to be done once weather improves.

**e) Future play equipment - ideas/ funding- Cllr Ashton** Cllr Ashton had initial talk with Mr Carter a self employed play area consultant who specialises in smaller projects re. an all weather ( astro turf) multi sports facility - 5 a side football, tennis, netball, basketball and bowling area. Mr Carter can assist re. grants, which if SWPC prepared to offer the facility for use by the school and also neighbouring villages may help secure grant funding. Estimate cost - with tennis £150-160k, without £50-60k, therefore tennis to be excluded. SWPC agreed for Cllr Ashton to meet with Mr Carter to discuss further, small fee for this purpose.

Cllr Parish also mentioned the play equipment stored in her garage for the holiday clubs, she would like it relocated to the VH, to sort with the VHMC. Table tennis table to be assessed for possible repair/ spares for other table by Cllr Oldfield.

#### **f) Defibrillator for village / VHMC funded**

The SW Community Group has agreed a donation of £500 towards this project and Cllr Golding advised that his event on the 11<sup>th</sup> August will also contribute to this cause. Cllr Jolley to speak with Gordon re. the possible siting of equipment on the exterior wall at village shop.

## **Planning Matters 18-51**

### **a) New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment**

- i) S18/0121, Mrs Natalie Ternent, former Little Chef North Bound, Great North Rd, erection of signage (retrospective) - no objections from SWPC**
- ii) S18/0411, Mr D Life, 34 Unwin Green- erection of two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and loft conversion incorporating dormer windows - Cllr Jolley to look at further and advise clerk of comments to submit after PC meeting.**

### **b) New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment after publication of the agenda** none

### **c) SKDC planning permissions granted/refused**

- i) S18/0275 Mr S Churchill, 5 High St, removal of Willow tree (TPO) Permission granted by SKDC**
- ii) S18/0053 Mrs G Ruigrok, Mill House, 53 Mill Lane, erection of replacement garage and creation of new access Permission granted by SKDC**

**Village Clean up – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 11am, Cllr Parish 18-52** Lots of help required to make this a success again. Equipment and refreshments to be provided.

Clerk had requested additional litter bins from SKDC for the village, 1) Thistleton Lane/ Harold Rd area, 2) Harrington Rd area. SKDC has responded to say it is currently monitoring the litter over a four week period to assess if the additional bins are needed.

**Siting of the village flagpole, Cllr Ashton 18-53** Cllr Ashton disappointed that this was not raised for Commonwealth Day by the School for a second year running as requested by SWPC. He wondered whether it should be relocated elsewhere in the village. Cllr Parish advised that she has been asked and has accepted a role on the Members Board for the school, so liaison should hopefully improve for the future. PC agreed that the school is still the best central place for the flagpole and that Cllr Parish should therefore ask if it is possible for Cllr Ashton to access the School site to maintain / raise the flagpole for all future occasions.

### **Armistice Day 2018 (100 years since the end of WW1, Cllr Parish 18-54**

11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 is Armistice Day. Councillors agreed to consider what should take place to mark this special day, clerk to put on May agenda.

**Village grass cutting, Cllr Parish 18-55** Cllr Parish concerned that the grass cutting undertaken by LCC/ SKDC will destroy the bulbs planted by SWPC on the verges around the village, as damage was done last year. Clerk to write to both to ask that care is taken with grass cutting.

**Correspondence 18-56** Clerk had ordered replacement Perspex for the bus shelter notice board and also new bus timetables, Cllr Oldfield to install. LCC Emergency Support Centre (Rest Centres) database - clerk had completed info re. SW village hall and provided emergency contact details. LCC Waste Strategy consultation. Lincs Police and Crime Commissioner newsletter - clerk provided WW contact details for future articles/ updates. LCC Countryside Service response received detailing proposed work to various Public Rights of Way.

Cllr Kinning advised of fly tipping on road to Sewstern, clerk asked that she goes on SKDC website to log details of what it is and where, for them to deal.

### **Appointment of third member 18-57** Cllr Oldfield

**Date of next meeting 18- 58** Tues 1<sup>st</sup> May at 7.00pm, this being the Annual Parish Meeting, followed by the May PC meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.25pm