

## MIDDLE RASEN PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 17/7/18

**Present:-** Mr M Stamp (Chairman), Mr D Pattison, Mrs S Smith, Mrs G Dennis, Mrs J Ranby, Mr P Dawson, Mr T Smith, and Mr J Padley

**Also Present:** Mrs J Trotter (Clerk)

**Visitors:-** None.

**1) Apologies for Absence:-** Cllr L Strange and Cllr M O'Connor (Ill)

**Resolved:** To accept apologies as noted.

**2) To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the 2011 Localism Act:-**

Item 8 – Cllrs S and T Smith, Item 12 – Cllr T Smith, and Item 14b – Cllr D Pattison

**Resolved:** To accept above declarations of interest.

**3) Notes of last meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018, to be approved as minutes:-**

It was proposed by Cllr G Dennis, seconded by Cllr D Pattison and

**Resolved:** That the minutes be signed as a true record.

*Cllr Padley arrived at the meeting.*

**4) Chair and Council's Comments:-**

- The Chair agreed with parishioners who have raised concerns to the Clerk, regarding the grass at the A631/A46 junction which is unkempt and could be considered a fire hazard, and it was further noted that other areas of grass in the parish which look equally as unkempt. The Council agreed that this is not of the Council's making. The Council had a brief discussion with regard to responsibilities of LCC.
- Cllr Dawson reported on the overgrown state of the hedge at the Gas Mound which is overhanging the pavement. He reported that a Highways Officer has attended the Post Office site but a work order will take some time to come to fruition.
- The Council discussed the overgrown hedging and other associated pavement issues.
- Potholes – near Smith's Top and Mill Lane – *Clerk to report to LCC Highways Department.*

**5) Reports from District and County Councillors:-**

- **WLDC:-** Cllr Smith reported that it has been a quiet month leading up to summer recess.
- **LCC:-** LCC Councillor absent – no report.

**6) Crime**

- Sign damage on the Furlongs - reported to WLDC and to be repaired.
- Spate of criminal damage has stopped in the locality.
- A discussion occurred with regard to the sweeping "spice" drug addiction in the County.

**7) Clerks Report on Matters Outstanding:-**

- All Highways issues reported, including those identified on the Parish Asset Maintenance Inspection.
- **Update regarding flood alleviation scheme** - received from project officer. The contract has been awarded and works will **start on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August**. A letter to be sent to residents and a poster will be sent by LCC to be put in the noticeboards/Community Spirit/Website.

**8) Planning:-**

**137943 - 8 Wilkinson Drive, Middle Rasen, Market Rasen, LN8 3LD**

Planning application for proposed ground floor WC and porch alterations - *No objections.*

**137991 - Wellingtonia House, Gainsborough Road, Middle Rasen, Market Rasen, LN8 3JU**

Planning Application for conversion of existing garage, erection of new garage and alterations.

*The Council were of the opinion a judgement could not be passed due to insufficient information given by the applicant.*

*Furthermore, the Council were concerned by the lack of definitive usage and access to the proposed accommodation.*

*The Council would ask the planning authority to ask the applicant to provide more information to the Council in order that proper consideration be given to this matter.*

**Permission Granted:****137822 - Land adjacent 12 Mill Lane Middle Rasen Market Rasen LN8 3LE**

Outline planning application to erect 1no. dwelling - access to be considered and not reserved for subsequent applications

**9) Correspondence:-**

LALC – funding grants information, LALC News, AGM and Conference 2018 Invitation

Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine

Thank you letter

Meeting notes from LRSP re A46

WLDC E-brief, Planning reply

**10) Finance and Accounts for Payment**

Income:-	Burial Fees	£ 200.00
	HMRC Rebate	£ 578.53
Invoices:-	Lincolnshire Landscapes – Grass Cutting	£ 550.00
	A Riddell – Skip Hire	£ 132.00
	AG & AC Gibson - Maintenance	£ 122.40
	Salaries	£ 597.80
	Green Grass Contracting – Grass Cutting	£ 129.60
	Middle Rasen Village Hall – Grant Funding	£1000.00

Quarter 1 reconciliation presented.

The Clerk had stopped a cheque, which had been reported lost in the post by contractor (£10.00 charge by bank). A new cheque was issued, after consultation with the Chairman, in line with the payment schedule for June. This has been included in the cheque schedule for this month for transparency purposes.

It was proposed by Cllr D Pattison , seconded by Cllr S Smith and

**Resolved:** All Invoices were passed for payment and Quarter 1 reconciliation approved.

**11) Reports from Meetings**

Cllr Pattison reported on attendance at the A46 RSP meeting with other parishes:

- The meeting was held at Osgodby Village Hall, organised by Helen Pitman.
- A good turn out from parishes on A46 and A631 and representatives from RSP, LCC and WLDC.
- The discussions identified the road from Market Rasen to Nettleton as the major issue. Agreement was reached that the ideal situation would be average speed camera – however installation is too costly, but it was agreed that a 50mph limit may be a viable alternative. Junction visibility was also discussed particularly with regard to speeding motorists.

*The RSP representative to view all junctions and inform all parties of a way forward in due course.*

Cllr Dawson reported on the John Wilkinson Trust and Community Fund Committees:

- Following the AGM all PC trustees are to continue.
- No new trustees have come forward following an advertisement.

The Clerk reported that she has resigned from the School Governing Body

**12) To discuss and resolve on response to Public Realm Survey 2018**

Survey responses discussed and resolved by Council.

It was proposed by Cllr P Dawson , seconded by Cllr G Dennis and

**Resolved:** Clerk to submit responses as agreed.

**13) To discuss and resolve maintenance costs following Parish Asset Inspection**

Quotes received from contractors as follows:

- Lincolnshire Landscapes:- Burial Ground – weedkilling of driveway – quote yet to be received.
- AC Gibson:- Burial Ground – Gate re-alignment – temporary fix – quote to be forwarded in due course for permanent alignment cost.
- Mr Robinson:- £96.00 in total  
School Noticeboard maintenance  
God's Acre – Wall re-pointing & Repairs to stone steps
- Green Dolphin:- Bus Shelter Cleaning - £75.00

It was proposed by Cllr G Dennis, seconded by Cllr P Dawson and

**Resolved:** Agreed that received quotes be accepted. Clerk to instruct contractors. Further agenda item at August meeting to resolve on outstanding quotes.

**14) To discuss and resolve on grant applications:**

Prior to decision making, the Clerk advised the Council that the planned budget for grants has already been exceeded for the year.

**a) Community Spirit Magazine - £500.00**

The Council discussed the now wider audience of the magazine, and commented on the seeming lack of grant funding from other parishes.

**It was proposed by Cllr T Smith, seconded by Cllr M Stamp and**

**Resolved:** The Council resolved that the Clerk ask for more information regarding funding from other sources and that an item be scheduled for final resolution at the August meeting.

**b) Middle Rasen Charity Gala - £230.00**

**It was proposed by Cllr J Padley , seconded by Cllr P Dawson and**

**Resolved:** That the grant be paid in full.

**c) Middle Rasen & District Horticultural Society - £200.00**

**It was proposed by Cllr D Pattison , seconded by Cllr Padley and**

**Resolved:** That the grant be paid in full.

**15) To discuss and resolve on decision to allow access via the burial ground pathway to the School premises by Nursery users over holiday period**

It was proposed by Cllr M Stamp, seconded by Cllr P Dawson and

**Resolved:** Resolved to agree to request in principle. A site visit with LCC project officer to be conducted by Clerk and Chair and appropriate risk assessments and assurances to be gained in writing from LCC including appropriate measures to ensure that burials will be undertaken with minimal disruption.

**16) Items for next meeting**

To discuss and resolve on outstanding maintenance costs following Parish Asset Inspection

To give further consideration and resolve on grant application:- Community Spirit Magazine - £500.00

To review Council Policies:- Grants, Equal Opportunities and Safeguarding

**There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm.**

Date.....

Signed..... (Chairman)