

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF HEALING PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 14th October 2014 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, HEALING AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Cllr. Hasthorpe (Chairman)
Cllr. Blanchard, Tofton, Clarke, Dickerson, Dolan

Apologies: Cllr. Vickers, (work commitments)
Cllr Allen, (on Council approved sabbatical)

Absent: Cllr Wilson, Cllr Nesbitt, (*arrived later*)

There were three members of the public present and one member of the press.

14/96 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr. Vickers due to work commitments. *Accepted*

14/97 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Code of Conduct 2012) –

Cllr. Blanchard declared prejudicial interest in item 14/105, Healing News distribution, due to family member being a distributor. Cllr Dickerson declared a pecuniary interest in item 14/99 C) as G Davy is an acquaintance.

14/98 To approve minutes of previous full council meeting and the extra-ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 7th October.

Minutes as circulated approved and signed.

Resolved: *That minutes, as circulated, approved and signed as true record of both meetings*

14/99 A) To receive update from the Chairman and the Chair of Personnel on the Internal Audit and agree any further actions

B) To agree action re Bank mandate discrepancy

C) To agree action re Internal Audit approvals by G Davy

The Chairman asked for A) to be moved to the end of the meeting as an Exempt Item as the discussion would contain information of a confidential nature. Agreed by unanimous vote.

Resolved: exemption of press and public for remainder of meeting under Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of item 14/99 A is likely to disclose confidential informationⁱ

Councillor Nesbitt arrived at this point

B) Council has been made aware that the Bank Mandate for Healing Parish Council has not been updated since December 1999 and that only two of the current council is authorized signatories. Paperwork has been obtained from the bank to resolve the situation. Discussion about setting up Direct Debit payments for regular contracts.

Resolved: Four Councillors' to complete the new mandate forms bringing the total of authorised signatories to six. The Personnel Committee to investigate the reasons why the mandate has not been updated. To set up Direct Debits for utility bills for the Village Hall

C) Council discussed contacting G Davy to ask for a report on the work carried out to sign off the council's annual internal audit.

Resolved: To contact G Davy and ask for a report to be sent to the Chairman for the next meeting Re: the work carried out to sign off the Council's Annual Internal Audit

Public Break Mr Littlejohn, representing the Friends of Healing Moated Manor, stated that the nettles had indeed grown very tall but that these would now be needed as they die back to feed the sheep until the Spring. The repairs to the fencing on the far side is continuing. We now have 14 sheep with 12 more due to come. A resident has been tipping garden waste over their fence and it is now blocking up the dyke and Mr. Littlejohn requested that Council contact the resident on this matter and requested we contact Mr. Hoy to bring his Dyking Bucket to help maintain the dyke. Mr. Littlejohn also reported that the hedge along Stallingborough Road by Penney's Court is impeding visibility because it its overgrown. (refer to 14/103 & 14/101)

Mr. Jackson, commented that the Internal Report is extremely damning but was pleased with our desire amend procedures/protocols that are highlighted as needing attention. Asked if Council would be seeking to re-cap the public money spent with the Internal Audit and if the Auditor will be allowed to prove the audit was carried out. (refer to 14/99 C)

14/100 Police Report

Once again no written report received. No PCSO present. Councilors were advised of an incident on the Moated Manor Site involving youths and a fire. Cllr 's also noted that a bicycle had been stolen and set alight on the park. No police attended. Councilors' concerned with the lack of police presence in the village.

Resolved: To contact the Chief Constable and ask about police presence in the village and lack of attendance and reporting to the Parish Council meetings

14/101 Highways/footpaths/traffic issues

a) To receive update on Litter picking contract and agree action

We have received an application from a resident. Details given to the Chair of Personnel so that an interview can be arranged

b) Other matters

Overgrown hedges along Stallingborough Road and around the Cenotaph.

Resolved: to contact NELC to cut hedges on Stallingborough Road & to contact our contractor to tidy up around the Cenotaph before the Remembrance Service in November. To ask the RBL to remove the Poppy wreaths ASAP. Parish Council to arrange for seating at the service

14/102 Planning Matters

The following planning applications were considered:

DM/0998/14/FUL 49 Clematis Avenue, Healing, Grimsby, NELincs DN41 7JJ

Proposal: Change of use of existing grass verge into domestic garden including relocation and replacement of existing fence

Object. Cllrs object to the change of use and the setting of a president this will cause if allowed as this would dramatically change the street scene. We would ask officers to look at the height of the proposed fencing and the existing height of the fence

DM/0937/14/FUL Amendment to DC/390/13/WOL Plot 4

Proposal: Erect one detached dwelling with detached garage

No objections

Resolved: That planning comments agreed above be sent to NELC

To receive planning decisions – none received

14/103 **Land Management**

Healing Moated Site

Comments from the Friends Group duly noted. Natural England has sent a question about the grazing livestock on the site which will affect the HLS agreement

Resolved: Cllr Blanchard to meet with the Friends group and send the answer to Natural England.

Porri's Wood

Correspondence with the Resident with the damaged outbuilding is in the circulation box. The tree Surgeons report was read out to Councillors

Resolved: To forward all documentation to Came & Company, Insurers for any action required

Cornflower Copse

Part of the fence has been replaced

14/104 **Healing Village Hall**

A complete stock check has now been carried out.

14/105 **Healing Village News**

Next issue – November 2014 – Closing date 20.10.14

To consider leader article – Remembrance Sunday Parade

14/106 **To receive response from RBL regarding residents concerns Re; the V Fest**

Response read out to Council.

Resolved: Chair to check if there is a 'PEG' group at NELC to help protect residents and advise groups hosting public events

14/107 **To receive application from Councillors' to rescind decision 14/90**

Council received a petition signed by six Councillors' asking for decision 14/90 to be rescinded and the matter brought back for debate and decision. **Agreed unanimously**

Proposal: To award the 1st Healing Brownies £100 under the Grant Aid Scheme.

Resolved: That Grant Aid is awarded to the 1st Healing Brownies to the sum of £100.

14/108 **Reports (for information only)**

To receive update from Youth Council

The Pantomime this year is Charlie's Chocolate Factory Fiasco !!

The cast have received their scripts and rehearsals are due to start.

To receive Training date from ERNLLCA

None this month

To receive any other reports

The Annual Audit has been returned and will be uploaded onto the web site. We will advertise in the Healing News how residents can access it there and where they can have sight of the original and how much a copy will cost.

Resolved: The Annual Return be uploaded onto the Parish Council Website and that residents be notified of this, and where they may see the original, in the November edition of the Healing news. The cost of a copy of the Annual Return to be £10 per copy

14/109 **Future Dates (for information only)**

Next meeting – Tuesday 11th November 2014

14/94 Correspondence/Information Update/Parish Matters

ERNLLCA District Meeting – Thursday 16th October, 7pm. Cllrs Hasthorpe & Blanchard to attend
Letter from NELC asking Parish to submit a business plan for the asset transfer of Poplar Park. Cllr
Hasthorpe to address this with NELC

Invite to Community Speeding Training

An apology has been received regarding the cancellation of the last training event and a new date has been
set. Cllr Wilson to attend

Resolved: To book a place for Cllr Wilson at the training event

All paper work for the above is in the circulation box

14/95 Finance

To approve payment of cheques as per list

Payments as listed and circulated approved for payment. The payment of Salaries is set at the same as last
month due to the lack of information being available to Cllr Blanchard. Adjustments will have to be made
when the office is running normally. Direct debit information requested at the last meeting was circulated
to all Councilors' via the Cheques for authorization sheet.

Resolved: That payments as circulated and listed be approved for
payment.

**The Chairman thanked the press and public for their attendance and then excluded them from the
meeting.**

**14/99 A) To receive update from the Chairman and the Chair of Personnel on the Internal Audit and
agree any further actions**

Councilors' received copies of the Public Sector Audit. The Chairman and Chair of Personnel updated
Councilors' on the findings of the Audit and discussion took place as to the next actions to be taken.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

¹ Under Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the LGA 1972 (as amended)
