

**BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Green Room of the Village Hall, Todds Lane, Burton upon Stather on Monday 13 November 2006.**

**PRESENT** Councillor R.W.Harris in the Chair  
 Councillors G.M.Aykroyd P.F.Bell Mrs A.Bradley,  
 Mrs J.A.Cooper, Mrs P.J.Cooper, C.Curtis, G.A.Mackay,  
 M.Peace, Mrs M.A.Richardson.  
 North Lincolnshire Councillors B.P.Regan and A.Smith  
 Mrs P.Denby – Parish Clerk

**Apologies for absence** were accepted from Councillors Mrs B.Clark-Vessey, Mrs C.A.Middleton, S.G.Sowerby, N.F.Thornes.

Two members of the public were present.

Before the meeting began Mr J.Bullass asked councillors to reconsider their decision not to remove the car park barrier at the playing field.

**150. Declaration of Interest – Model Code of Conduct Order 2001**

On-going declarations of interest were noted from Councillors Mrs A.Bradley (Playing Field Committee); Councillors Mrs A.Bradley and G.A.Mackay (Village Hall Committee); Councillor G.M.Aykroyd (Burton in Bloom Committee).

**151. Minutes of the last full Council meetings held 9 October 2006**, as circulated previously were submitted and signed as a true record.  
 Minutes of the Parish Plan meeting held Tuesday 7 November were circulated and signed as a true record.

**152. Public Rights of Way**

**Chafer Lane/Brick Pits Path**

It was noted that the owner of the Brick Pits Fishing Ponds had confirmed that he would allow the path to remain as a permissive path.

A request was made to the Parish Council for a financial contribution towards a gate to prevent unauthorised vehicles, including motorbikes, from accessing the site.

Councillors welcomed the owner's willingness to allow the path to be used as a permissive path, but felt that a future owner might not be so generous.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should ask North Lincolnshire Council to pursue an application for a Modification to the Definitive Map to make it a public right of way.

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**152. Public Rights of Way****Public Footpath 171**

The Public Rights of Way Officer, Colin Wilkinson, had asked the Parish Council for evidence that Foot Path 171 had been used as shown on the map drawn by one resident of Hillcrest Drive, rather than the route shown on the Definitive Map.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council could not provide any evidence.

**Rights of Way Improvement Plan**

Copies of North Lincolnshire Council's Rights of Way Improvement Plan were received and noted.

**RESOLVED** that this item should be deferred to the next full council meeting to allow councillors to read the document and make comments.

**Bridle Way 167**

It was noted that a metal bridge over the surface water drainage channel was under consideration, but it was dependent on available funding.

**Villa Farm Footpath**

It was noted that the claim to include the Villa Farm footpath on the Definitive Map had not been pursued by Humberside County Council in the past because it did not lead anywhere. As there was a chance that the Alkborough Flats Project might open up the Trent bank to walkers, it was agreed that the path was worth pursuing again. The late Ron Hornsby had amassed evidence of use ready to pursue a claim, prior to his death.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should write to the Burton upon Stather Local History Association to ask for copies of the evidence collected to pursue a claim;

that she should write to Alkborough Parish Council and to the Environment Team to seek their co-operation in opening up a riverside walk, from Alkborough through to Burton upon Stather, including the riverbank in front of Villa Farm.

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### 153. **Burton Playing Field Association**

Cllr R.W.Harris and the Clerk had met Tim Allen on 10<sup>th</sup> November to discuss the bill for car park resurfacing.

Tim Allen agreed to ask the North Lincs Highway Alliance to produce an intelligible breakdown of the final bill, compared to the original estimate, to enable the Council to see how the final figure was reached. There was no urgency to pay the bill until the Council was fully satisfied with the explanation.

The cost of additional fencing to screen the recycling bins was considered.

**RESOLVED** that additional fencing with posts set in concrete should be ordered from Lincs Timber and Fencing;  
that the Clerk should try to get additional hedging plants from either the Normanby Estate or North Lincolnshire Council..

It was noted that some residents had written to Sir Reginald Sheffield Bt., DL, opposing the barrier.

It was confirmed that the decision to remove the barrier could not be reconsidered for 3 months under Burton upon Stather Parish Council Standing Orders.

**RESOLVED** that the request to remove the barrier should be reconsidered at the February meeting and that those residents still opposing the barrier should be informed.

A report was circulated from Cllr N.F.Thornes, Chairman of the Burton upon Stather Playing Field Association.

The PFA confirmed that they did not want a second barrier as requested by the Community Beat Officer.

It was noted with regret that the funding application to WREN for a new recreational building had been unsuccessful.

Cllr Mrs A.Bradley added that she had also submitted an application to North Lincolnshire Council for new play equipment, but was not optimistic.

It was also noted that Cllr Thornes was going to provide a combination lock to prevent the car park barrier from being left open.

A letter had been received from the Humberside Association of Playing Fields stating that the 2004 lease signed by Playing Fields Association and the Parish Council contained errors, which might affect the eligibility for funding.

The 2004 lease allegedly did not comply with Section 37 of the Charities Act 1993, as it re-declared the original charitable trusts, according to Graham Betts at the Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council, and, in doing, so created a new and different charity from the Burton upon Stather Playing Field Association. The letter had been sent to R.A.C. Symes for clarification.

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**154. New Cemetery**

## i) Entrance Gates

It was noted that the cost of the decorative gates originally specified would be approximately £2,500 plus VAT. It was generally considered that the design was too ornate.

## ii) Specification for the access paths

**RESOLVED** that both of the above items should be referred to the Cemetery Committee for further discussion on Tuesday 21 November.

**155. Police Matters**

It was noted that there had been several incidents of vandalism to, and theft of, street and road signs, drain covers and a public seat in Thealby. There had been burglaries in Stather Road and a burnt out lorry down Wood Hill.

**RESOLVED** that a letter of complaint should be written to the Chief Superintendent, requesting a more visible police presence in the Parish.

**156. North Lincolnshire Council**

It was noted that North Lincolnshire Council had started on a long list of repairs, but abandoned the work, following immediate vandalism to newly erected signs.

Further complaints were noted:

Defective pavements in Burton (two complaints) in various areas: Stather Road, Norfolk Avenue, Wiltshire Avenue, Darby Road.

Dog fouling - Wiltshire Avenue, Tee Lane, High Street and other areas (many complaints)

Vandalised Wiltshire Avenue sign.

Damaged bollards in front of Normanby Park gates.

No 4 streetlight, Thealby, out.

Request for dropped kerbs either side of St Barbara's Crescent.

Request for "Ornamental grass verge" signs to prevent verge parking.

Cllr B.P.Regan advised members that the police no longer enforced this law, but that North Lincolnshire Council might assume responsibility for minor infringements.

Wire pulled out - YEB lighting pole Flixborough Road/Barnston Way.

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**157. Parish Plan**

The Clerk confirmed that she was finishing the Parish Plan document ready for circulation.

She had circulated a discussion document advising members that a completed Parish Plan, not a responses booklet, was required to fulfil the terms of the grant awarded. The document also clarified the Council's powers and duties, as opposed to those of a new Action Group.

**RESOLVED** that a Parish Plan meeting should be held on Tuesday 21 November, following the Cemetery Committee, to finalise the Parish Plan complete with Action Plan;  
that 1200 x A5 Parish Plans should be printed by North Lincolnshire Council with 170 gsm coloured card cover and black/white inside pages on 80 gsm bond paper .

A letter from the Winterton Medical Practice was circulated regarding the questionnaire responses.

The contents were noted, but members reserved the right to take up complaints with the Health Practice, if asked to do so by concerned residents, rather than refer residents directly to the Winterton Health Centre.

**158. Burton Hills – Maintenance**

North Lincolnshire Council had still not produced a long term maintenance plan. Tim Allen had explained that Colin Horton was too busy dealing with issues in Alkborough at the moment.

**RESOLVED** that the discussion on future maintenance of the picnic site should be deferred until Cllr G.A.Anderson was present.

**159. ERNLLCA AGM**

The Clerk gave a brief report on the East Riding and Northern Lincolnshire Local Councils Association Annual General Meeting held in Ashby. Seminar notes on the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Assembly, the Code of Conduct and Parish Plans were circulated..

**160. North Lincs Liaison with Town and Parish Council**

Cllr Mrs C.A.Middleton and the Clerk had attended the last Liaison meeting, where Alan Barker had repeated his talk on Quality Councils, hinting that additional finance might be available to Quality Councils.

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**160. North Lincs Liaison with Town and Parish Council**

Marcus Walker, lead officer for the North Lincs Local Development Framework, encouraged responses to the consultation now taking place.

A Council officer asked Parish and Town Councils to consider taking part in North Lincolnshire Council's Dog Warden Scheme whereby a blanket dog control order might be imposed on some or all areas.

**RESOLVED** that the information should be circulated and considered at the next full Council meeting.

**161. BMX Track**

The Clerk confirmed that she had written to two families involved in the proposed BMX track, on behalf of the Normanby Estate, for an update on their intentions, but had had no reply.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should try to make contact with the BMX Group again to clarify whether or not they wished to use the land on offer from the Estate.

**162. Burton in Bloom 2007**

The next Burton in Bloom Weekend was confirmed as 22-24 June 2007. It was noted that Burton in Bloom had arranged for more bulb planting further along the road to Thealby. The grass verge would have to be cut to allow the flowers to be seen, therefore the Clerk had asked for quotations ready for the Finance Committee meeting at the beginning of December.

**163. Parish Property – Repairs and Replacements**

i) Normanby Road bus shelter painting – school response still awaited.

ii) Normanby – Replacement Memorial seat

**RESOLVED** that a replacement 5ft wooden seat of similar design should be ordered;

that the existing seat should be removed as soon as possible.

iii) Thealby bus shelter – broken panes.

The Clerk reported that the repair of the glass panes had been put on hold following further vandalism. Mr R.Carlton had been asked for a quotation to board up the two sides of the shelter as a temporary measure.

iv) Vandalised Memorial seat – Thealby Pinfold

A quotation for rebuilding the seat was awaited from Mr R.Carton. A police investigation was underway.

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**164. Plastics Recycling**

It was noted that the plastics bin at the playing field was now being emptied weekly as it was so well used. Residents were advised to ring 01724 297000 if the bin was full.

**RESOLVED** that guidance should be issued in the next newsletter on the type of plastics, which could be recycled.

**165. Best Kept Village 2006 Award Evening**

Cllr R.W. and Mrs A. Harris had attended the Best Kept Village Award evening and collected the engraved plaque and cheque for £50.00 for winning the Best Village in the Past Winners 2006 category.

**166. Speeding and Traffic Issues**

## i) Speeding complaint - Wiltshire Avenue

Mr S.Harrison, a Traffic Safety officer at North Lincolnshire Council had responded to the complaint, stating that a survey was last undertaken in 2003 near Huntingdon Crescent when 94% of vehicles were travelling below the enforcement threshold of 35mph. Wiltshire Avenue was 169<sup>th</sup> on a list of 253 speed management sites.

He suggested that Community Beat Officer PC J.Sewell might undertake some enforcement and give the information to Traffic Safety Officer PC Woodrow to try to control offending motorists.

He also suggested asking North Lincolnshire Council to provide a salt bin for use in icy weather.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should act on these suggestions.

## ii) Mini Roundabout – Normanby:

Mr Harrison replied that more evidence of accidents or near misses was needed before any action could be taken, as resiting the roundabout would be too expensive. Incidents could be reported via the North Lincolnshire website on Transport and Streets.

He would make arrangements for any obstructing foliage or signs to be removed.

**167. Christmas Carol Singing Evening 13 December 2006**

Discussion took place about preparations, including the purchase of refreshments. It was agreed that a short Christmas Committee should be held at the end of November.

**RESOLVED** that the Council should pay the full cost for refreshments, allowing the £20.00 deduction to be sent to the Wish upon a Star charity.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should order the Christmas tree to be delivered the week beginning 4 December.

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**168. “Strong and Prosperous Communities”**

The new Local Government White Paper was now available at [www.communities.gov.uk](http://www.communities.gov.uk)

A summary had been circulated to all councillors on back of Yorkshire and The Humber Regional Implementation Plan.

**169. Winterton Town Council Civic Service**

It was noted that the service was to be held on Sunday 19 November 2006,

**170. North Lincolnshire Council Forward Plan**

It was reported that the Forward Plan of forthcoming meetings was now available on the North Lincolnshire Council website, or could be forwarded by email by request.

**171. Stather Road Waiting Restrictions**

It was noted that the partial removal of the waiting restrictions was about to be advertised again in the Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph. If there were no objections, the Order was likely to be enforced before Christmas.

**172. Threat to Rural Post Offices**

Ian Cawsey M.P. had replied to the Parish Council’s letter of concern about the threat to rural post offices if the card account was withdrawn.

He pointed out that people were choosing to have their pensions paid into banks, not collect them from post offices. He stressed that he was working with the National Federation of Sub Postmasters to see what other services Post Offices could deliver to ensure their viability.

**173. PLANNING****Planning applications submitted to North Lincolnshire Council and passed to Burton upon Stather Parish Council for comments:**

**2006/1609** Planning permission to install 3 no 12 metre high lighting posts each holding 2 no 1000 watt lamps situated on the northern boundary on the playing field to allow evening use of the playing field by sports teams.  
Burton Playing Field, Wiltshire Avenue, Burton.

No comments or observations.

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**173. PLANNING**

**Applications granted by North Lincolnshire Council:**

**2006/1370** Two storey extension and conservatory Rear of 2 Flixborough Road

**Applications refused by North Lincolnshire Council:**

**2006/1011** To retain upvc windows and doors at 9 Church Farm Mews, Burton.  
Reason: "Contrary to policy HE2 of the Local Plan and Supplementary Planning Guidance for the Burton upon Stather Conservation Area".

**Planning correspondence:**

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK –  
CORE STRATEGY: PREFERRED OPTIONS – PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

3 copies of the documents had been circulated to members of the Parish Council.  
It was noted that all the information was available on the North Lincolnshire Council website at [www.northlincs.gov.uk](http://www.northlincs.gov.uk) or on compact disc.  
It was agreed that a special meeting of the Parish Council should be held in December to meet the North Lincolnshire Council deadline for responses.

**Yorkshire and The Humber Regional Implementation Plan (RIP)**

The Stakeholder Update, as circulated, was noted.

**Local Government White Paper**

A comment on spatial planning in the Local Government White Paper, as circulated, was noted.

**Proposed Windfarm at Keadby**

It was noted that further environmental information had been submitted in support of this application, which could be viewed at Church Square House, Scunthorpe.

**174. FINANCE**

**i. Comparison of expenditure against budget for 2006-7**

Members considered and approved actual expenditure compared to budget allocation to date.

**ii. Date of the Finance meeting to discuss the Parish Precept 2007/8**

It was agreed that the Finance Meeting should be held on Monday 4 December 2006.

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**175. FINANCE****iii. Payment of Accounts and Receipt of Payments**

<b>NOVEMBER 2006</b>		
North Lincolnshire Council (Additional grass cutting on The Avenue/ litter bin emptying Glebe Paddock £454.78 + £79.59 vat)	284779	534.37
D.K.Jacklin (Mole control PFA grant 06-07 £60.00+£10.50 vat)	284780	70.50
Mrs H.Newby (Draft youth report – Parish Plan)	284781	15.00
St Andrew's PCC (Grounds maintenance reimbursement 2006/7)	284782	153.40
Danwood Group Ltd (Photocopying incl. Parish Plan £45.14 + £7.90 vat)	284783	53.04
Burton in Bloom (Reimbursement for plants 2006/7 £212.77 + 37.23 vat)	284784	250.00
S.Blanchard (Prize - Parish Plan questionnaire under 11)	284785	25.00
C.Bell (Prize - Parish Plan questionnaire over 11)	284786	25.00
Mrs E.Buettner (Prize - Parish Plan questionnaire adult)	284787	25.00
Mrs P.Denby (Salary new contract from April 1 <sup>st</sup> 2006: October salary SCP22 16 hpw @£9.589 per hour = £664.84 plus one off £150.00 Parish Plan payment, less PAYE £54.62 and pension £39.89 = £570.33, plus expenses October £55.11 + £4.80 VAT inc Parish Plan stationery etc costs.	284788	780.24
SPOILT	284789	0.0
East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Pension October 2006: Clerk pays 6% of salary = £39.89, Council pays 19.1% £126.98 for period up to 01.04.07)	284790	166.87
1 <sup>st</sup> Burton Brownies (2006/7 grant )	284791	100.00
NPOWER (Feeder pillar Glebe Paddock £10.86 + £0.54 vat)	284792	11.40
NPOWER (Parish Office £20.00 +£1.00 vat)	284793	21.00
A.Hill (Ditch inspection and litter collection Burton Hills)	284794	60.00
North Lincolnshire Council (Newsletter printing inc. Parish Plan advert)	284795	45.00
Burton upon Stather Local History Association (Book, DVDs, booklet)	284796	18.00
C.Curtis (reimbursement for wine £68.09 + vat £8.25)	284797	76.34
SPOILT	284798	0.0
Post Office Ltd (PAYE £56.60 and NI £50.54)	284799	107.14
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2537.30</b>

**RESOLVED** that these accounts should be paid.

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**175. FINANCE**

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	
Bank of Ireland monthly interest (October)	227.93
CPRE Prize money "Best Kept Village – Past Winners category"	50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>277.93</b>

**Bank Statements**

Lloyds TSB statement at 24.10.06	1,987.67
Lloyds TSB passbook. No transactions since 15 June 2005	76.61
Bank of Ireland statement at 31.10. 2006	65,480.62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67,544.90</b>

Total includes amount outstanding to pay for the playing field car park (– up to £40,000 still under discussion), plus January half yearly repayment to the Public Works Loan Board (£1,273.88), remaining Parish Plan grant and £900.00 Village of the Year and best Kept Village prize money).

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