

**BURTON UPON STATHER PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Green Room of the Village Hall,  
Todds Lane, Burton upon Stather on Monday 11 June 2007.**

**PRESENT** Cllr G.M.Aykroyd in the Chair  
Councillors G.E.Anderson, P.F.Bell, Mrs A.Bradley,  
C.Curtis, Mrs G.M.Overington, S.G.Sowerby, N.F.Thornes.  
North Lincolnshire Councillors Linda Cawsey and Allan Smith.  
Mrs P.Denby - Clerk

**APOLOGIES for absence** were accepted from Councillors Mrs J.A.Cooper, Mrs P.J.Cooper, R.W.Harris, Mrs C.A.Middleton, M.Peace.  
North Lincolnshire Cllr B.P.Regan.

No members of the public were present.

**31. Declaration of Interest – Model Code of Conduct 2007 no 1159**

Members were reminded to record any declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in respect of items on the agenda.

They were also reminded to complete a new Register of Interests form as a matter of urgency.

The following Councillors declared on-going interests as members of the following committees:

Cllr G.M.Aykroyd - Burton in Bloom Committee.

Cllr P.F.Bell – Burton Methodist Church

Cllr Mrs A.Bradley – Burton PFA and Village Hall Committees

Cllr N.F.Thornes – Burton PFA Committee

**32. Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 14 May, the Planning Committee meeting held on 29 May and the Finance Committee meeting held on 4 June 2007**, as circulated, were signed as a true record after amending one initial of Cllr P.F.Bell on the Finance Committee Minutes.

**33. To consider filling the vacancies on Burton upon Stather Parish Council**

It was noted that there were two vacancies on the Parish Council; one by reason of insufficient nominations and one by reason of the failure of Ms N.Atkin to complete her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, failure to attend any meeting of the Council and failure to give any reason for absence.

**RESOLVED** that applicants for the first vacancy should be asked to submit their application forms by 24 June for consideration at the meeting of the full council on 9 July 2007;

that the Electoral Officer should be asked to declare a casual vacancy and supply the appropriate notices for public display.

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**34. Appointment of Councillors to Committees**

**RESOLVED** that the following appointments be made:

Finance Committee - Cllrs P.F.Bell, Mrs A.Bradley and N.F.Thornes.

Planning Committee - Cllr S.G.Sowerby.

Cemetery Committee – Cllrs P.F.Bell and Mrs A.Bradley.

**35. Burton Playing Field Association**

Councillors Mrs A.Bradley and N.F.Thornes warned that the Burton PFA was in desperate need of new committee members.

Cllr Thornes asked members to consider the possibility of employing a village handyman in the future who could deal with litter at the playing field, locking the car park barrier and other small jobs around the parish.

It was noted that Winteringham and Winterton employed village handymen, whose wages were administered by VANL.

The Clerk reminded members that Mr T.Rowbotham had volunteered to help the PFA with litter control, but did not wish to join the PFA Committee.

Cllr Mrs A.Bradley reported that she had successfully applied for a grant from Evolve for new equipment for the children's play area.

It was noted that North Lincolnshire Waste Management had accepted the new design for the car park barrier and Tim Allen had confirmed that North Lincs Council would pay for it. Fortress Fabrications had been instructed to do the work.

It was noted that the payment to the PFA would increase, if residents left more recyclable material at the recycling bins, but this would mean that the recycling lorries would call more frequently and perhaps there would be an increase in noise and debris on the site.

**RESOLVED** that Cllr N.F.Thornes should produce a leaflet seeking new PFA members for distribution with the next newsletter;  
that Cllr G.M.Aykroyd should join the PFA Committee as the Parish Council representative.

**36. Burton Village Hall**

Cllr Mrs A.Bradley agreed to act as the Parish Council representative on the Village Hall Committee.

She reported that the Village Hall Committee had recouped all outstanding costs resulting from the vandalism and that they were investigating the possibility of using the hall roof space as a storage facility.

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**36. Burton Village Hall**

The Clerk reported that efforts to provide a tourist information direction sign for the village hall had been unsuccessful, as it did not meet the criteria. There was a possibility of erecting a bespoke sign on the Burton Newsmarket or the Methodist Church opposite Todds Lane, if the owners agreed.

Cllr P.F.Bell agreed to investigate this with the Methodist Church Council.

**37. Burton Hills – Maintenance Issues**

It was noted that there had been an increase in bottles, cans and litter left by drinking parties on Burton Hills. Humberside Police was aware of the problem and officers were patrolling the area more frequently.

Concern was expressed about the increase in anti social behaviour, thought to be as a result of relaxation of the licensing laws.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should stop cutting the picnic site to try to deter campers and drinking parties;

that the Clerk should write to Ian Cawsey M.P. and Humberside Police, expressing the Council's concern about the increase in public nuisance and drink driving;

that she should ask North Lincolnshire Public Rights of Way to remove the Picnic Site sign and repair the metal post on BW 167 to prevent vehicles gaining access;

that a meeting should be arranged with the Public Rights of Way officer to discuss problems relating to Burton Hills;

that the M.A.Birtwhistle should be instructed to strim nettles and overgrowth before the metal gate leading on to Burton Hills.

**38. Humberside Police and Safer Neighbourhoods Report**

It was noted that there had been a meeting of the Neighbourhood Action Team at Winterton on the 6 June 2007, but no one had attended from Burton. At the meeting, Humberside Police had stated that problems seemed to have moved from Winterton to Burton.

St Andrew's Church lychgate had recently been painted with offensive black graffiti.

Cllr M.Peace asked the Council to consider blocking up the previously vandalised glass panels in the Thealby bus shelter.

The Clerk circulated details of a cctv system, as used in Winterton and Alkborough.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should arrange for a demonstration of the cctv system;

that the Thealby bus shelter should be discussed at the next meeting.

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**39. North Lincolnshire Council**

Progress reports, repairs or other routine matters:

- i. One Hillcrest Drive sign had been restored.
- ii) Tim Allen had been reminded about the trees along Wood Hill, but there had been no response.
- iii) Neighbourhood Services had been asked if they would cut the verge further down Wood Hill, but they had refused, as the area had been specified in the North Lincolnshire grass cutting contract. The Parish Council could pay for any additional mowing.
- iv) The High St had been patched and was about to be surface dressed. The Clerk agreed to alert North Lincolnshire Council about the parked cars along the route and the imminent re-opening of the wharf.
- v) It was noted that North Lincolnshire Council would only take action against residents who left their refuse bins at the front of their properties if they obstructed the path or highway.
- vi. The vandalised Thealby telephone box would be reported to BT.

**40. Village of the Year 2007**

Members were reminded that the judges from the Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council would be visiting Burton at 10.30 am on the 21 June 2007.

**41. BMX Track**

It was noted that there had been no response to the newsletter article, asking for parent volunteers to manage a BMX facility.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should inform the Normanby Estate.

**42. Social Inclusion for the Older Community**

Members received and noted a paper written to raise awareness of Seniors' Forums in the North Lincolnshire area and an invitation to attend the Corus Gala Day in Brumby Park on Sunday 10 June 2007.

**43. Dog Control Areas – Burton, Normanby and Thealby**

North Lincolnshire Council sought more information about the Parish in order to adopt blanket Dog Control Orders for the safe governance of North Lincolnshire.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should request that the dog control order should cover the Burton and Thealby Playing Fields (no dogs allowed), the new cemetery, Glebe Paddock and Burton Hills.

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**44. Decent Homes – 5 Year Plan**

It was noted that the Clerk had received a schedule of council housing window replacement covering the whole of North Lincolnshire spanning the next 5 years.

**45. Clerk's Contract**

It was noted that the National Association of Local Councils had negotiated and agreed a list of minor revisions to the Clerk's Contract of Employment to reflect new legislation and case law decisions.

**RESOLVED** that Councillors G.M.Aykroyd and P.F.Bell should check the revisions and the issue should be discussed at the next meeting.

**46. C.E.Electric Uk – Highway Electrical Work**

C.E.Electric UK sought permission from Burton upon Stather Parish Council to run an underground cable alongside the northern edge of the diagonal footpath on Glebe Paddock.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk should sign the wayleave, on the understanding that the site should be made good afterwards; that a site meeting should be held before the work began to advise C.E.Electric of existing underground cables supplying the streetlights and feeder pillars.

**47. Litter and Dog Waste – Grounds of St Andrew's Church**

A request was considered from St Andrew's Parochial Church Council for the Parish Council to agree to pay for litter and dog waste bins to be emptied at the same time as the Glebe Paddock bins.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should agree to pay for the dog waste bin only to be emptied nearest to St Andrew's Drive.

**48. ERNLLCA Training Seminars**

Members were reminded about future training seminars offered by the East Riding and Northern Lincolnshire Local Councils Association on Meeting Procedure, Chairmanship, Local Council Finance and the Employment Maze at a cost of £20.00 per attendee. Places had to be booked as soon as possible.

**49. New Display Boards**

The Clerk reported that she had ordered display boards, as agreed, from Office World after comparing three quotations. The boards would arrive in time for Burton in Bloom.

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**50. Burton Health Centre**

Councillors considered a detailed response from the Burton and Winterton Medical Practice stating that, as far as the Winterton Medical Practice was concerned, there was no intention of closing the Burton branch. The Practice Manger did not think that the Burton premises would be improved, however, as the Primary Care Trust had a deficit of approximately £8 million.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council should continue to monitor the service.

**51. Public Rights of Way - Villa Farm Footpath**

All evidence of use forms received had been forwarded to North Lincolnshire Council for evaluation. The Public Rights of Way officer, Naomi Boyd, stated that she could not recommend whether there was enough evidence for the Parish Council to complete an application for the path to be recognised as a Public Right of Way. North Lincolnshire Council would consider it in due course, but priority was given to applications received under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

**RESOLVED** that this item should be deferred until the next meeting.

**52. Music Teaching**

It was noted that North Lincolnshire Council was seeking musicians to teach primary school children as part of the "Extended Schools" agenda.

**53. Walk with Friends Walking Groups**

It was noted that free packs were available from North Lincolnshire NHS to encourage groups to set up. Those interested should contact Pauline Todd on 01652 601213.

**54. Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire**

Details of various training courses were received and noted.

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

- 2007/0946** Approval of reserved matters (scale, layout, external appearance, access and landscaping) pursuant to grant of outline planning permission 2004/2129 dated 02/02/05 for the erection of a detached dwelling and detached domestic double garage.  
Land rear of 23 Norfolk Avenue, Burton. (J & S.Drury).

**No comments or observations.**

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## 55. PLANNING

**2007/0798** Planning permission to retain an 18” boundary wall and 2 metre high wooden gates. 9 Church Farm Mews, Burton.

**RESOLVED** that, as this application had not been included on the agenda, but was of minor importance, the decision could be delegated to the Clerk under Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972 so that an additional Planning Committee meeting did not have to be arranged. (No comments or observations).

**2007/0738** Planning permission to erect a domestic garage.  
1 Church Gate, Burton upon Stather.

It was noted that the applicant and the agent had approached the Clerk and members of the Council seeking a site meeting to discuss the proposed garage, but that alternative plans had not been provided prior to this meeting.

### **Refusal of Planning Permission as notified by North Lincolnshire Council**

**2007/0395** To erect a 2 storey building on land off Darby Road, Burton upon Stather (Thompson).

Reasons for refusal:

“...the development is contrary to the policy S7 of the Humberside Structure Plan and policies H1 (Housing Development Hierarchy), ST3 (Development Limits), RD2 (Development in the Open Countryside) and RD11 (New Agricultural or Forestry Dwellings) in the North Lincolnshire Local Plan, nor can it be considered exceptionally in relation to policies H13, RD9 or RD10 of that Plan”.

### **Planning Correspondence:**

Tree Preservation Order      Sycamore, rear of Old Vicarage Lodge, Burton.

Members noted an explanation from Ian Goldthorpe regarding the imposition of the TPO on the sycamore tree. The owners of the land in question were disputing North Lincolnshire Council’s assessment that a reasonable degree of public benefit accrued from protecting the tree concerned. The owners had submitted an assessment based on the findings of an independent arborist, which would be considered, along with the Parish Council comments, at a future Planning Committee meeting.

### **North Lincolnshire Council Planning Decisions**

Members expressed concern that North Lincolnshire Council Planners did not always take into account the views of this and other Parish Councils.

**RESOLVED** that a letter of concern should be sent to Mr M.Welton, Head of Planning, expressing these concerns.

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## 56. FINANCE

i. Councillors compared and approved income and expenditure to date with budget allocations.

The Clerk reported that there could be a saving of £427.12 per year, if the 6 Parish Council bus shelters were removed from the insurance schedule, which would be discussed at the next meeting.

### ii. Payment of Accounts and Receipt of Payments.

Towergate Risk Solutions (Burton PFA insurance 2007-8)	284878	1667.64
Allianz Insurance plc (Parish Council insurance)	284879	2173.20
Danwood Group Ltd (Paper 10 reams £17.50 + £3.06 vat)	284880	20.56
Mrs P.Denby (Salary new contract from April 1 <sup>st</sup> 2007: May salary SCP23 16 hpw @£9.872 per hour = £684.46, less PAYE £21.87 and pension £41.07 = £621.52, plus expenses May £79.83 + £2.90 vat) including quarterly telephone rental.	284881	704.25
Post Office Ltd (PAYE £21.87 and NI £31.93)	284882	53.80
East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Pension May 2007: Clerk pays 6% of salary = £41.07, Council pays 21.3% = £145.79 for period up to 01.04.08)	284883	186.86
Birtwhistle Landscaping Ltd (Burton PFA grounds maintenance 2007-8 £150 + £26.25 vat)	284884	176.25
Birtwhistle Landscaping Ltd (Grounds maintenance Burton and Thealby £373.21 + £65.31 vat)	284885	438.52
R.J.Carton (Repairs and maintenance – 2 x seats, notice board, fence removal)	284886	200.00
North Lincolnshire Council (Playing field car park repair)	000016	35,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>40,621.08</b>

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

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	
Bank of Ireland monthly interest (April) Statement 14.05.07	235.74
Bank of Ireland monthly interest (May) Statement 14.05.07	198.17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>433.91</b>

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**Bank Statements**

Lloyds TSB statement at 31 May 2007	9560.23
Lloyds TSB passbook. No transactions since 15 June 2005	76.61
Bank of Ireland – Statement received at 31 May 2007	66,726.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76,363.44</b>

Total includes amount outstanding to pay for the playing field car park (£35,000), plus half yearly repayments 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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**Date:**