

**Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Monday 8 April 2002 in the Parish Office**

PRESENT: Councillor K.T.Gray in the Chair
Councillors P.F.Bell, Mrs A.Bradley, Mrs D.G.Clark, C.Curtis,
R.W.Harris, A.H.Harrison, A.Irons, Mrs A.Jennison, M.Peace,
S.Sowerby

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mrs J.A.Cooper, G.Lindsay
North Lincolnshire Councillors B.P.Regan

Before the meeting began, the Chairman welcomed newly co-opted Councillor R.W.Harris.

69. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING held on Monday 11 March 2002, having been previously circulated, were signed as a true record.

70. MATTERS ARISING from the Minutes of the last meeting:

(a) New Community Hall/Pavilion Extension

Cllr Mrs Bradley stated that she would be giving a brief report to the Annual Parish Meeting on the progress of the New Community Hall Committee.

With reference to the alternative proposal of the pavilion extension, she asked for a written commitment stating that the Council would consider using the new facility.

She also asked the Council to consider raising a sum of money through the precept to be put towards the pavilion extension.

She explained that these two actions would add weight to the funding application.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council agreed to consider renting a room in the proposed pavilion extension and would also consider raising money through the precept.

(b) Police Matters

Further reports of trouble at the Darby Road bus shelter were noted.

A letter from a resident, circulated to all councillors, regretted that his previous letter of concern had not been fully discussed by the Council and offered a number of possible solutions to the growing problem of youth disorder and vandalism.

70. (b) Police Matters

Members discussed each suggestion:

i) Paid/voluntary warden to patrol the village
Members believed that this was the role of the police.

ii) Demolishing the Darby Road bus shelter
It was felt that this would merely penalise those who use the bus shelter and that the problem would move elsewhere, possibly back to the High Street bus shelter or Glebe Paddock.

iii) Insisting that the police patrol more often

The Parish Council could not dictate to the police when and where they should deploy their officers. Residents should report incidents as often as necessary and visit the police caravan to give the police a clear idea of when and where the trouble was occurring.

iv) The Parish Council should discuss the possibility of repairing private property
This would be an illegal use of precept money. The Council can only repair damage to its own property such as public seats, Village Hall, playing field pavilion, bus shelters etc.

v) Increase the precept to deal with vandalism so that the whole village bears the cost
The cost of vandalism would be considered again at the next meeting of the Finance Committee but the point had already be made in the Parish newsletter that money spent on vandalism means that there is less money to spend elsewhere.

vi) Insist that the Parish Council gets more assistance from North Lincolnshire Council as Council tax keeps rising
It was agreed that the resident should be asked for more explanation on this point.

There was also a report of a large number of young people trampling down daffodils in Glebe Paddock which had been reported to the police.
It was agreed that a photograph of this vandalism should be placed in the Parish notice board seeking residents' help in reporting any misbehaviour to the police.

(c) School Parking and Road Safety Issues

A letter from the Road Safety Officer confirmed the creation of a crossing patrol across Flixborough Road and sought the help of the Council in attracting two recruits to fill the posts.

70. (d) Future Burial Site

Members were urged to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on 22 April to try to gauge the feeling of those present on proposals for future burial arrangements in the village. Councillors P.F.Bell and C.Curtis gave their apologies.

(e) Highway Complaints – Update

Blocked drains in High Street had been cleared.

The “Wiltshire Avenue” and “Huntingdon Crescent” street signs had been mended.

Wood Hill had been visited twice, but officers had failed to find litter as it was on top of the verge.

Missing rail – Stather Hill – the letter of concern had been acknowledged.

Concern was expressed that the slurry seal applied to defective footpaths was only a temporary measure.

It was noted that more damaged footpaths would undergo repairs before a slurry seal was applied.

Stuar Dodson had authorised some pruning of shrubs overhanging the road at the corner opposite the Normanby Park gates.

(f) Photographic Exhibition “Burton Then and Now”

Cllr Mrs A. Bradley, chairman of the “Burton Then and Now” exhibition, reported that arrangements were well in hand. Cllr Alan Irons was in the process of preparing a questionnaire for Burton schoolchildren to complete when they visited the exhibition.

It was agreed that Canon Jarvis books, G.W.Robinson’s History of Burton books and other local publications could be sold alongside Parish Maps at the exhibition.

(g) Christmas Tree – Glebe Paddock

The Clerk reported that Mr R. Smith of North Lincolnshire Council Commercial Services would be contacting the Council after the end of the financial year regarding a quote for installing another streetlight plus electricity supply on Glebe Paddock. LLOYD & Scotter Lighting Ltd had also been asked for a quotation.

It was noted that Anglian Water had quoted £711.17 for a new water supply as a fixed charge, or the Council could opt to pay the actual cost which might be higher or lower. The Clerk confirmed that she had requested a site meeting to discuss the options.

The general feeling in the Council was that the figure quoted was too much and they would consider any revised quotation when further details came to light.

70. (g) Christmas Tree – Glebe Paddock

Sue Hoy of Normanby Park had been asked for advice regarding a suitable choice of Christmas tree for Glebe Paddock. After some consideration she advised planting a blue spruce (Atlantica Glauca) or an abies koreana before the end of March or November. The Chairman had found large growing Christmas trees at Frosts of Brigg for £75.00.

The Clerk was seeking a price for the recommended species from the “Palm Farm”.

The Chairman confirmed that a local businessman could help with transport.

It was agreed that Wykeham Forest at Scarborough and Crowders of Horncastle should also be approached for these two species.

(h) Planters

It was noted that the Highways team required two days notice to excavate the holes ready for the Burton in Bloom planters beneath the village signs, which were to be built by Ken Cox with facing stone supplied by John Hurst.

(i) Normanby Enterprise Park – New Roundabout

A reply from North Lincolnshire Council explained that the new roundabout being constructed at Lysaghts Way junction would be followed in approximately two years by another at the Cheetham Hill site entrance.

(j) The Queen’s Golden Jubilee

The Clerk confirmed that she had received a number of seat catalogues and would seek a quote from local blacksmiths to see they could make a metal Golden Jubilee seat more cheaply to replace that outside the Parish Office.

It was reported that the landlady of the Sheffield Arms was planning to organise an event for the Golden Jubilee.

Cllr Mrs A. Bradley offered to send for a Lottery pack to see if a grant could be obtained for new noticeboards and seats.

(k) Adoption of the New Code of Conduct for Parish and Town Councillors

Members were reminded that their completed Register of Interests and two Acceptance of Office and Code of Conduct forms must be completed as soon as possible, but at the very latest by 6 May or they would automatically lose their place on the Parish Council.

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(l) Barton and District Crime Reduction Partnership

Members were reminded about the new initiative set up in Barton under the chairmanship of Councillor Robin Stokes. This partnership between the police and town and parish councils aimed to try to better implement the North Lincs Community Safety Plan covering anti social behaviour, burglary, road safety, drugs and violent crimes.

No one had been available to attend the first meeting on Tuesday 9 April 2002 at the Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton..

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs A.Jennison should represent the Parish at any future meetings.

71. **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Electrical Supplies

A letter was noted from Ian Cawsey seeking to know if the Burton area had suffered any particular problems with electricity supplies.

A reply was to be sent that there had been no particular problems.

2. Village Hall Funds

Burton Village Hall Committee had written to the Council regretting the fact that they had not been allocated any grant for this financial year and pointing out that the large reserves they had built up was a building maintenance fund for a possible new roof, floor, subsidence at the rear of the Hall and any other maintenance work, should the proposed new Community Hall not go ahead.. They hoped that a grant allocation would be reinstated next year.

The contents of the letter were noted and members were reminded that the Parish Council did have a Contingency Fund should the Village Hall require emergency funding.

3. ERNLLCA – District Committee Meeting

The next district meeting of the East Riding and Northern Lincolnshire Local Councils Association was to be held on Wednesday 10 April 2002 in Messingham Village Hall. Papers were available for anyone who would like to attend. The meeting included an update on the Code of Conduct.

4. Regional Planning Guidance for Yorkshire and the Humber

Members were invited to comment of the draft project brief which sets out the main objectives of the selective review of Regional Planning Guidance for Yorkshire and the Humber up to 2016. There were no comments.

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5. Decisions Preview from North Lincolnshire Council

A new insert for the North Lincolnshire Council Forward Planning folder was received and noted.

6. North Lincolnshire Standards Committee

Members were invited to cast their vote again for two members of the Standards Committee from a list of Parish and Town councillors, not clerks.

RESOLVED that the votes should go to Councillors Don Johnson and David Wells, as last time.

7. Disability Discrimination Act

An article from the Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph on the Disability Discrimination Act had been circulated to alert councillors to the fact that alterations may have to be done to the Council Office by 2004 to allow easier access for the disabled. Alternatively public meetings would have to be held in either the Village Hall or playing field pavilion.

8. Joint Problem Solving Course

A Home Office funded one day course to be run by North Lincolnshire Council on Wednesday 1 May 2002 aimed to reduce crime and anti social behaviour and nuisance committed by young people in North Lincolnshire. The Clerk agreed to attend.

9. Parish and Town Council Vibrancy

A letter was noted from Alun Michael M.P. referring to a report by the Countryside Agency on the vibrancy or otherwise of Parish and Town Councils. An article in the Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph on April 2 2002 explained the background to the report which had classed Burton upon Stather as “vibrant”, but it was not known why.

10. East Riding of Yorkshire Council Pension Fund

A letter from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Pension Fund was encouraging Councils to pay pension contributions by BACS or CHAPS to automate the system.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council should comply with this request if it could be easily set up with the bank.

71. 11. East Riding and Northern Lincolnshire LCA

The ERNLLCA newsletter was circulated.

Approval was given to buy the new "Light Touch Audit Regime" manual at a cost of £9.95 and to pay the £5.00 fee for the Clerk to attend the audit course on Thursday May 2 in Brigg.

72. **PLANNING**

Planning applications submitted to North Lincolnshire Council and forwarded to Burton Parish Council for observations.

Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 26 March 2002 were accepted as a true record after having been circulated previously. The recommendations from that meeting were unanimously endorsed.

*2002/0218 Planning permission to substitute approved dwelling types
Plots 3,3A, 4,5,6 and 15 Cliff Drive
Amended plans for Plot 15 and for Plot 3A The Arran

*Cllr R.W.Harris declared an interest as an affected resident and took no part in the discussion and vote.

RESOLVED that North Lincolnshire Council be referred to the Parish Council's previous comments on the Cliff Drive development.

Planning permission granted by North Lincolnshire Council:

2002/0052 To retain 2 portable buildings at The Forge, Thealby
The Permission was valid for 3 years.

Refusal of planning permission

1. **2002/0028** To erect dwellings including the demolition of 34 Stather Road (re-submission of 2001/1021) at 32, 34 & 36 Stather Road.

"Burton upon Stather is included in the list of minimum growth settlements in Policy ST2 of the North Lincolnshire Plan Revised deposit Draft. This development is contrary to Policies H1 and ST3 of the Plan as it lies outside the development boundary for the settlement and is not essential for the purposes of agriculture or forestry. Furthermore the development does not fulfil the criteria necessary for it to be treated exceptionally under Policies H13, RD9 or RD10 of the Plan.

2. The site lies within an Area of High Landscape Value as defined in the North Lincolnshire Local Plan Revised Deposit Draft. Development in such areas is subject to special scrutiny. The proposal will have an adverse effect on the landscape by introducing several large buildings into a rural setting. Because this is not justified by evidence that there is a social or economic need for the development., it is contrary to policy LC10 of the Plan".

Planning Correspondence

Holly Tree- St Andrew's Church-

Further correspondence between Mr and Mrs Hornsby and the North Lincs Planning Office on the application to fell the tree.

73. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS up to 31 March 2002

Crawford's Lawnmowers Strimmer repair St Andrew's Church	284093	26.32
North Lincolnshire Council Grounds maintenance at Burton playing field PFA grant 2001/2	284094	1327.16
North Lincolnshire Council Wheeled bins for Village and Playing Field Village Hall and PFA grants 2001/2	284095	41.13
North Lincolnshire Council Grounds maintenance The Avenue	284096	75.20
Spoilt	284097	
Burton upon Stather PFA (Remainder of grant 2001/2)	284098	1053.85
TOTAL		2523.66

April 2002 onwards

*Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Newsletter printing	284099	37.05
North Lincolnshire Council Business rates 2002/3	284100	322.93
David K.Jacklin PFA grant 2002/3 - mole control	284101	58.75
Sir R.A.B.Sheffield Bt Rent less £6.00 ditch maintenance Burton Hills	284102	6.50
Mrs P.Denby Salary March £425.64 less £3.53 NI, £0 PAYE and Pension Contribution £24.10 plus expenses £38.69 (Expenses inc. ream of paper for Burton PFA @ £6.20)	284103	436.70
The Post Office Ltd (PAYE £0 and National Insurance £7.02)	284104	7.02
East Riding of Yorkshire Council Clerk's pension contribution (March) plus Council contribution 162% of £24.10 - £39.04	284105	63.14
*J.Marper Litter collection Glebe Paddock	284106	9.00
Birtwhistle Landscaping Grounds maintenance and Parish paths clearance	284107	453.40
Viking Direct 3 Inkjet cartridges	284108	48.10
Danwood Group Ltd Photocopier maintenance and copies	284109	69.78
ERNLLCA	284110	5.00
TOTAL		1517.37

*Denotes Section 137 expenditure. RESOLVED that the Council, in accordance with the powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the above expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area or some or all of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

73. RECEIPTS	£
VAT reimbursement 2001/2	1699.76
Sale of 2 Parish maps	10.00
Photocopying	0.40
TOTAL	1710.16
STATEMENT	
Lloyds TSB Current Account at 28 March 2002 -Bank statement	2647.66
Lloyds TSV Liquid Gold account book Last entry 15 Feb 2002	8766.16
Bank of Ireland 28 March 2002 Bank statement	5252.77
TOTAL	1666.59

**£5000 of current balances are reserved for capital expenditure
(Minuted at Parish Council meeting dated 10.12.01)**

74. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

1. Trees – Stather Road Verge

Cllr K.T.Gray reported that he and North Lincolnshire Cllr B.P.Regan were to meet Stuart Dodson of North Lincs Council to try to resolve the problem of trees growing in the grass verge which prevented anyone from cutting the untidy hedge.

2. Photographs – Burton Then and Now Exhibition

Councillors, who had not already done so, were asked to supply a photograph of themselves ready for the exhibition.

3. Councillors' Attendances

The Clerk confirmed that a list of councillors' attendances would be available at the Annual Parish Meeting.

4. Burton Surgery

Concern was expressed at surgery cancellations. Cllr C.Curtis reminded members that a new list of surgery opening times had been distributed with the newsletter.

5. Bus to Hull

A request, made on previous occasions, was to be repeated to North Lincolnshire Council for buses to Hull to travel via Burton instead of all travelling through Winterton.

6. Illegal Tipping

Cllr M.Peace reported that North Lincolnshire Council was carrying out investigations into illegal tipping at the end of Carr Lane.