

## **SCOTTER PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at Scotter Village Hall  
on Monday 17th September 2018, commencing at 7.40pm.

### **Present -**

Councillors: R. Day (Chairman), M. Armstrong, B. Billam, D. Bond, J. Bullivent, H. Collins, N. Tattersall and the Clerk.

The Council was addressed by Mr Bailey regarding the state of the trees at the cemetery. This will be discussed under item 13. Residents from the Green were also in attendance regarding the ownership issues. This progress will be covered under item 7.

The meeting commenced at 7.48pm

### **61 2018/19 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Councillors Capes and Whittle.

**RESOLVED : to accept the apologies from Councillors Capes and Whittle.**

### **62 2018/19 To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.**

No declarations were made at this time.

### **63 2018/19 To approve the notes of the Council Meeting held on the 23rd July 2018 as the Minutes of that meeting.**

**RESOLVED : To approve the notes of the Council Meetings held on the 23rd July 2018 as the Minutes of that meeting. These were signed by the Chairman.**

### **64 2018/19 To receive a report on a recent inspection of Parson's Field.**

Nothing to report.

### **65 2018/19 To agree which Councillors will be responsible for safety inspections of the cemetery and the playgrounds for the next month.**

Cllr R. Day and Cllr Bullivent were happy to continue.

### **66 2018/19 To discuss any planning applications received.**

The Council discussed the applications put before it and at the conclusion of its deliberations

**RESOLVED: That the following observations be made to the planning authority:**

**138125 - Unit Two, 70 High Street, Scotter** - a planning application for advertisement consent to display 1no non-illuminated fascia sign.

**No comment.**

**138124 - Unit Two, 70 High Street, Scotter** - a planning application for change of use code to sui generis for an aesthetic clinic.

**No comment.**

**138286 - Land adjacent to, 15, Gainsborough Road, Scotter,** - an outline planning application to erect 1no. dwelling with all matters reserved.

No comment.

**67 2018/19 To receive a report from the Clerk and discuss issues raised.**

The Council received the following report from the Clerk and

**RESOLVED : to accept the actions taken in the report.**

**'Clerk Report - September 2018**

- *Granary Play areas - both of the green spaces at the Granary have had the fences sanded and repainted. The bushes have been cut back as necessary, and some dead bushes removed. Councillors are invited to look at the area to determine if anything needs to be planted in the area to replace the removed bushes.*
- *Rookery Play area - the fence has been completed on this area, and the offending tree stumps removed. Councillors are invited to look at the area to determine what else we wish to place in the area - such as benches, bins etc.*
- *Village Hall Park - this area has been fully sanded and painted. The new climbing wall will be fitted shortly.*

*Adverse Weather - due to the weather experienced at the end of July, a number of emergency works have been carried out. This was following an inspection by the Chair, Vice Chair and the Clerk -*

- *Cemetery - a number of trees were damaged within the cemetery, as well as a tree falling from Westcliffe Road across our drive into the rear of a property on Revills Close. Because of the risk to the public the Cemetery was closed for two days. The works were carried out quickly by the emergency contractor.*
- *Parson Field - a number of trees were damaged in this area, they were again quickly made safe by the contractor.*
- *Riverside - some branches had snapped from the trees but were still being held in the canopy. The emergency contractor removed and disposed of these. During the inspection of the riverside, it was noted that another tree was dead and needed removing. The contractor and the village person carried this out.*
- *Southcliffe Road - some branches were blown from trees. They were moved from the road and onto the verge. The emergency contractor removed and tidied up the area following completion of the above works.*
- *Lindholme - The debris from the weather was removed from the verge that the Parish Council are responsible for.'*
- The Clerk also asked the Council to note that a meeting of the River Eau partnership group would be taking place on the 26th September. The Clerk and the Vice Chairman will be in attendance.
- The Clerk has also passed the issues regarding the road from the Green to the Church on to the Councils solicitor.
- Following discussions with Mrs Ibbotson-Johns from Eminson Close, the Clerk is expecting an email regarding the organisation of a meeting of all parties concerned with this issues there. When this is received the Clerk will contact the relevant parties to arrange this.

**68 2018/19 To discuss a request from Scotter Forward.**

The Council discussed this request and

**RESOLVED : to allow Scotter Forward to place the defibrillator on the Parish Council land off Hobb Lane. Regarding the Heritage trail sign on the riverside - the Council would be happy with this in principle, but would need to discuss a location.**

**69 2018/19 To discuss the placement of a sign at the riverside.**

The Council discussed this request and

**RESOLVED : that the Clerk should obtain a price for a new sign giving advice on what to feed ducks. This will then be brought back to the Council for approval.**

**70 2018/19 To discuss on going highways issues.**

The Clerk informed the Council that no response had been received from Highways regarding the agreements made in April. The Clerk will contact them again.

**71 2018/19 To note income received and to approve its reconciliation to the bank statements.**

No income received.

**72 2018/19 To approve payments to be made.**

The Council examined the accounts to be paid for supplies and services received since the last meeting and,

**RESOLVED : That the following payments should be approved.**

<u>CHEQUE</u>			<u>NET</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>NO.</u>	<u>TO WHOM PAID</u>	<u>PARTICULARS OF PAYMENT</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>PAYMENTS</u>
403084	N Altoft	Wages & Exp	1150.60		1150.60
403085	G. Worth Hilltop Tree	Village person + Rookery Work	1636.15		1636.15
403086	Services	Emergency Tree Work	1110.00		1110.00
403087	LALC	Membership Fees	691.67		691.67
403088	Green Stripe	Donation for J. Whitelam	250.00		250.00
403089	N Altoft	Wages	1150.60		1150.60
403090	N Altoft	Expenses	416.14	30.85	446.99
403091	G. Worth	Village person	1356.26		1356.26
403092	Helping Hand	Grass Cutting & Emergency Work	3770.00		3770.00
		<b>Totals</b>	11,531.42		11,562.27

**70 2018/19 To take any points from members, identify items for the next agenda and to note urgent items of interest.**

The Clerk will arrange for a second opinion on the cemetery trees. A report on this meeting will be given at the October meeting.

**71 2018/19 To resolve whether, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press should be temporarily excluded from the meeting.**

**RESOLVED : That, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press should be temporarily excluded for the following items of business on the basis that they relate to items that contain confidential personal and commercial information and information in relation to a legal matter.**

**72 2018/19 To discuss a letter received from Rev J. Harper.**

The letter was discussed and the Council

**RESOLVED : to respond to Reverend Harper in writing with the following.**

*'The Parish Council would like to acknowledge your comments regarding the notice board on Hobb Lane. The board is awaiting repair, and whilst this has been noted at Council meetings, a sign stating this should have been placed there.*

*The Council are happy to take on your points about the advertisements of future vacancies in other places in the village, and have also reviewed the best practice guide send by West Lindsey District Council. They will put this on the Council website with future vacancies.*

*The Parish Council discussed your suggestions regarding social media. Whilst individual members of the Council are present on groups such as Scotter Forum, it was discussed and resolved that the Parish Council will not be holding an official presence.'*

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.33pm.

Clerk: .....

Chairman: .....

Date: .....