

A meeting of Canwick Parish Council was held on Monday 18th January 2021 by Video Conferencing. County Cllr Cawrey, District Cllr Goodwin and the Clerk were also present.

Present: Councillor L.J. Pennell – Chairman
Councillor I.D. Carrington – Vice-Chairman and District Councillor
Councillor H.L. Dowson
Councillor R.C. Narborough
Councillor L. T. O'Melia

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest: Apologies had been received from Cllr Griffin and District Cllr Tinsley. Cllr Carrington stated as a District Councillor he would not be able to give an opinion on Items 4a and 4c. The Chairman reminded members they could make the appropriate declaration at any stage should it become necessary.

2. Clerk's Notes from the Meeting on 21st December 2020: The notes from this meeting had been distributed to each member. The Chairman proposed the notes be accepted and approved as minutes for signing and this was unanimously agreed.

3. Matters Arising:

3a. Information Packs for New Residents: None.

3b. Grants: The Chairman stated we had received acknowledgements from both the Social Club and the Parochial Church Council and both were very grateful for the monies received at this difficult time.

3c. Website: The Chairman stated we were in the process of populating the new website including sorting the accessibility statement.

4. Planning: The Chairman reminded members that all District Councillors present could not express an opinion on any of the planning items.

4a. 16/1564/OUT – Canwick Heath Development: The Chairman stated we were still awaiting confirmation of the date for the NKDC Planning Committee meeting. Cllr Carrington stated it had been delayed for further consideration.

4b. 20/0654/FUL – Demolition of Bungalow and Erection of 2 Detached Dwellings – Danum, Grange Lane: Passed by NKDC Planning Committee meeting.

4c. 20/0057/OUT – Land off Sleaford Road Bracebridge Heath: The Chairman stated we were still awaiting confirmation of the date for the NKDC Planning Committee meeting.

4d. SEQ Design Code Consultation: Having been endorsed by the NKDC Executive Board the Consultation was now waiting to be adopted at the full NKDC Council meeting.

4e. Items Notified since Publication of the Agenda: None.

5. Environment:

5a. Highways Issues: Cllr O'Melia reported the dressing on Hall Drive had started to loosen in a number of places and there were stones everywhere. Cllr O'Melia to let the Clerk have details for reporting to LCC 'Fix my Street'. The Chairman asked Cllr O'Melia to copy Cllr Cawrey into the e-mail.

5b. NKDC – Cycling Infrastructure Survey: The Chairman asked members if they had any comments. There were no comments and the Chairman stated Cllr Carrington, the Clerk and himself will formulate and submit a response.

6. Correspondence:

6a. NKDC Parish Council Updates: These had been e-mailed to members. The Chairman stated they are a good initiative from NKDC and are very useful.

6b. Lalc News: This had been e-mailed to members. The Chairman asked members if they had any comments. There were no comments. To be re-visited and put on next month's agenda.

6c. Scam E-Mails: Information on these had been e-mailed to members. The Chairman asked members to make parishioners aware when they could. Cllr O'Melia informed members of a BT phone scam that was circulating.

6d. Police Newsletter: This had been e-mailed to members. It was noted it is now quarterly but will remain on the agenda monthly in case of other information.

6e. Register of Interest Forms: The Chairman reminded members to review their Register of Interest forms and notify the Clerk of any changes as these can now be made electronically.

6f. Items Received since Publication of Agenda: The Clerk read members an email received from John Burling, a handyman who does work for Heighington Parish Council and would like to work with more local councils in the area. The Clerk to forward the e-mail to members and also to the Social Club, the Playing Field Committee and the Parochial Church Council.

The Clerk read members an e-mail received from The Safer Together Coordinator for North and South Kesteven detailing the work they do. The Chairman stated it is a useful initiative. The Clerk to forward the e-mail to members.

7. Four Parishes Cluster Group:

7a. Update: No update.

8. County and District Councillor Reports: Cllr Cawrey reported:

- Lincolnshire's testing and vaccination programmes are well underway and the County is ahead of the national curve.
- Lincs Fire and Rescue are supporting the NHS.
- The Lincoln Eastern Bypass is proving popular with cyclists.
- No update on the cleaning of the bus shelter on Canwick Hill.
- Highways have been contacted again about the increased urgency of the Washingborough Road footway as the Sustrans Water Rail way is currently under water.
- The local divisional manager has been contacted about debris on the Eastern Bypass carriageway and footpath/cycleway.

Cllr Cawrey also stated she is happy to support the suggested relocation of the litter bin on Canwick Hill.

A report from Cllr Tinsley had been forwarded to members. The Chairman stated the report is very useful and informative. Cllr Carrington stressed to members how terrifying catching Covid-19 can be and urged them to be careful. Cllr Carrington stated with reference to flooding issues some progress had been made with the sewers and meetings are to be held with the management of Anglian Water shortly. He stated the River Witham will see frequent and intense flooding. It was noted the NKDC Climate Change Strategy was being pushed forward. The Chairman reported Lincoln came very close to using the Washlands the previous weekend.

9. Finance:

9a. Bank Account Update: The Chairman reported that on 31st December 2020 the balance on the deposit account was £10,284.23 which included £5.39 new interest. The current account balance on 31st December was £2079.63 with cheques for £1000 and £529.50 outstanding leaving a net balance of £550.13.

9b. Payments due in January: None.

9c. Transfer of Funds: None.

9d. Precept: No further suggestions were made. Accordingly, the Chairman stated we are to request a precept of £6,100 as agreed at last month's meeting which would result in a 2.93% increase in the Band D tax rate. The Clerk to submit the relevant forms.

10. Urgent Items for Information: Cllr O'Melia raised concerns about elderly people being communicated with during lockdown. The Chairman reminded members if they hear of anyone who may need assistance at the current time to let himself or the Clerk know. Cllr Carrington stated another issue is people isolating who may need re-assurance.

11. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Monday 15th February 2021 starting at 7.00pm by Video Conferencing.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

Signed:

Date: