Brant Broughton and Stragglethorpe Parish Council

Draft Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 22nd January 2019.

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Present: Cllr C Thornton (CT) (in the Chair), Cllrs J. Salmon (JS), K Salmon (KS), and D Rowe (DR). Dist. Cllrs Howe and Woodman. There were 4 members of the public.

18/84: Declarations of interest: DR in agenda items 10,11 and 12.

18/85: Public question time. There were no questions from the public.

Cllr Overton had offered her apologies. Cllrs Howe and Woodman said that NKDC is preparing its budget for 2019-2020. A budget of £13.1 million is being considered for Council Tax which would be £5 on a Band D property but no more than 3%. They are investing £200 million in the future of the District. A new Business Park near Sleaford will create about 600 jobs. Voter ID is being considered. NK Licensing are looking at protecting animal businesses such as pet shops, kennels and catteries. Auctions/Antiques Road Show at Terry O'Toole theatre on 2nd February from 10 am to 2 pm.

18/86: Apologies – Cllrs Dunning, George and Orrock.

18/87: Minutes of meeting on 4th December had been read and a slight amendment was suggested. This was approved and KS proposed that they be signed, seconded by JS and resolved unanimously – CT then signed.

18/88: GDPR policy and Standing Orders - deferred to March meeting.

18/89: Highways - Highways had confirmed that the re-marking of the parking lines in Main Street were not in exactly the same place as previously. However, if they try to remove them it will disrupt the highway so they will remain as they are.

18/90: SID – application form and survey fee has been sent to LRSP.

18/91: Village entrance gates - deferred to March meeting.

18/92: - Tree inspection service – unanimously resolved that we should instruction a survey to be carried out.

18/93: Assets and liabilities: JS advised that new dog bins with posts are required at the junction of Lincoln Road and Welbourn, and also at Mill Lane near the school. A new bin is needed at the lane near the churchyard but no post is required. Litter bins are needed on the village green and on High Street near the playing field. Agreed that 3 quotes will be obtained, to include installation. Further agreed that JS will approach Peter Barnett to see if he would be able to install the bins and at what cost – and also if he would be able to repair the "wobbly" gatepost into Rectory Field. A resident asked if a new dog bin could be put along Southern Lane but this is away from where the bin collectors would normally go – Clerk to ask NK if they would empty a bin down there. The list of named keyholders was updated.

Bus shelter needs cleaning - JS to ask a window cleaner to quote for cleaning the windows

on an agreed cycle.

The village hall gutters and gulleys need clearing out – JS will advise VH Committee.

Signage of Church footpaths will be deferred to next meeting as Cllr Dunning has this in hand.

18/94: Land to rear of The Old School – Mr Bexon's e-mail was read out by CT and the sketch plan referred to, shown to all present. LR plans had been used to draw up the sketch plan. A lot of discussion then took place but it was finally agreed that the Clerk should send a copy of a letter she had found (addressed to Mr Bexon) dated 24 February 2003, to him and that Clir Rowe may obtain a copy of the Transfer document relating to the transfer of Rectory Field from the Lincoln Diocese to the Parish Council, from the Land Registry at her own or Mr Bexon's expense.

18/95: Planning – 18/1618 – 23 High Street – new boiler flue – PC had sent in its response stating that the flue comes over the footpath but was too low to avoid injury to passers by – no further comments to add.

18/1502 – Footpath 13 – pending consideration and awaiting a 28 day Notice to be published.

19/0066 – tree felling at 39 High Street. Ask Tree Officer to examine the magnolia to see if it is damaging the Grade II listed wall as suggested and if not, then why the need to fell? No objections to felling the sycamore.

18/96 – APM – JS will write to the business organisations inviting them to the APM which is on 10th April at 6 pm. Clerk to check VH is booked for that time. Clerk to ask MG to approach the school to ask if they will give a presentation regarding drugs awareness. Clerk to write to receivers of the Grants to advise them that they are expected to attend – each organisation will have a table to promote themselves.

18/97 - Finance:

[i] All signatories now in place at the Bank. Still trying to get all set up on Internet banking.

[ii] Bank balance at 28.12.18 = £21,700.15. Resolved to sign bank reconciliation.

[iii] Grant allocations for 2019-2020 have not altered so approved as set out on previous schedule.

[iv] No alterations to precept figures so resolved unanimously to request £18,384 - an increase of £2.68 per Band D property.

[v] Resolved unanimously to appoint Julie Stevenson as the internal auditor and that the Clerk will takeover the payroll from April 2019. Enterprise to be advised accordingly. Resolved unanimously to approve expenses to Clerk of £100.14.

18/98 – Next meeting 5.3.19 (Clerk away from 21st to 27th February so Agenda will have to go out on 20th February).

Closed session then followed.

Meeting closed 10.05 pm