

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILSBY & FARLESTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BILSBY**  
**ON 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Present: Cllrs Morley (Chair); Cooper; Bailey; Wilson-Brown & Gaston.  
Cllr G. Marsh (ELDC)  
Cllr C Mathews (LCC)

1 member of the public present

Mrs M Hoad, Parish Clerk took the minutes

A representative of the Church requested if the Parish Clerk could advise of forward meeting dates to ensure the church heating could be put on in time for Council meetings.

102 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Scarisbrick, Cllr Devereux (ELDC) and PCSO Prince

103 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest from Parish Councillors at this meeting.

104 **MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019**

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that the Chairman sign the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 as a correct record.

105 **FINANCIAL**

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** that the following accounts be paid - PCC Grant £400; Clerks Sep – Oct Salary £241.64; HMRC £27.20; Royal British Legion £17 and L Gaston Expenses for Parish IT Hardware £622.98.

Council expressed their thanks to Cllr Gaston for facilitating the purchase of the new Parish Laptop and software. It was agreed the old PC laptop would be wiped and advertised within the community for use.

106 **PLANNING**

SITE ADJACENT TO BARNSIDE COTTAGE, THURLBY ROAD BILSBY. Breach of condition 5 on Planning Permission ref: N/016/00429/13 concerning trees and hedges. Notification from the Planning Compliance Officer was circulated to Councillors.

N/016/01681/19 Planning Application for Jorich Farm, Back Lane Bilsby. Planning decision granted.

There were no further planning applications to review.

107 **BADGE**

The Clerk advised the meeting she had written to Adam Beaver as requested but no response had been received so far. It was noted that B.A.D.G.E. had previously provided the village with a defibrillator, located in the village shop. Cllr Cooper asked if the Parish Council would be responsible for ensuring the device was tested and new batteries supplied when required. It was resolved that this should be the responsibility of B.A.D.G.E. and Cllr Morley agreed to speak to the shop owner and BADGE member to enquire who was maintaining the defibrillator.

108 **MEMORIAL WREATH**

Council **resolved** to ask the Clerk to order a poppy wreath for the village memorial and the cost of £17 was authorised for purchase.

109 **HIGHWAYS**

The Clerk had circulated a spreadsheet to Council advising of the Highways issues that had been reported and any responses received. Council was advised that the Clerk has received a telephone call from a resident concerned that the hedge outside Bilsby Barton, Bilsby was overgrowing the highway and creating a pinch point. It was resolved that Cllr Morley would speak to the owners of Bilsby Barton regarding the hedge.

110 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Email from Environment Agency re Flooding Awareness – circulated to all by email. This campaign has been postponed by LCC
- b. Email from Planning Compliance Officer re Site Adjacent to Barnside Cottage – circulated to all by email – Noted by Council
- c. Report from PCSO Prince – emailed to all. General update from PCSO received this will be published on web site and Clerk will continue to try to get a meeting with PCSO Prince in order to build on Community / police relationships
- d. Information from Community Lincs merger with YMCA – emailed to all. Of general information and noted by Council
- e. Notifications sent/received for Highways / Countryside Access. Spreadsheet emailed to all.
- f. N/016/01681/19 Planning Application for Jorich Farm, Back Lane Bilsby & Decision granted – emailed to all noted under planning section above.
- g. Letter from Bilsby Holy Trinity Church. Email notification that chq addressee needs amending again to PCC Bilsby. Chq returned/cancelled and new one raised – in accounts below
- h. Notice of temporary road closure Back Lane 26 – 28 October. Emailed to all & advertised on web site
- j. Letter of Adoption of LCC statement of Community Involvement (SCI) 2019 from Minerals & Waste Policy Team – emailed to all of general information noted by Council.
- k. Invitation from Mayor of Alford to Civic Service on 22<sup>nd</sup> December – emailed to all. Cllr Morley had responded with her intention to attend this event.
- L. Email from Steve Shaw, Power for People Org. regarding campaign for Local Electricity Bill – emailed to all. It was resolved that this topic would require greater consideration before supporting and it was not understood what benefit it could provide the Parish at this time.
- M. Call from resident of Back Lane requesting that hedging around Bilsby Barton is cut back as encroaching on highway and causing a pinch point. – circulated to all. Actioned above under Highways section
- N. Request to adopt Farlesthorpe telephone box from LCC and British Telecom – advised by email. Clerk confirmed to Council that a request had now been received by BT to advise them of the Parish's interest in adopting the Farlesthorpe telephone box.

111 **DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT**

Cllr Marsh advised the Parish Council that the matter of ‘Eversleigh’ was still ongoing. Council were reminded of the Wold Grift Bridge maintenance work and the corresponding road closures which would be in place until the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2019. Cllr Marsh advised the meeting of a pending summit meeting to consider bidding for regeneration funds for the towns of Skegness and Mablethorpe. £25 million could be available to develop and strengthen infrastructure such as transport, digital communications, training and job creation. Although these new town funds were specifically for those two locations there would hopefully be benefits felt in the wider area. The Parish Council was also informed that Alford Windmill should be transferred into the hands of Alford Town Council and needed restoration work would be undertaken. At present the site was closed due to damage to one of the sails.

112 **LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Cllr Matthews stated there weren’t many items from LCC to report at this time due to pending elections. He did however state that LCC may consider in future revising the Rights of Way Plans in order to reprioritise countryside access footpaths. This could result in Parish Councils having the opportunity to take over greater responsibility for some of the maintenance of village footpaths removing the reliance to wait on County Council works.

113 **PCSO REPORT**

A report had been received from PCSO Prince which had been circulated to Councillors. The report information would be displayed on the Parish website.

114 **CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk had circulated to Councillors details of timeframes for setting the precept for 20/21 and asked Council to consider any projects for the forthcoming year.

115 **ANY OTHER MATTERS/NEXT AGENDA**

Next Agenda: 20/21 Precept. Agreement for Domain Name ownership.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm. Next Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2020

Appendix 105a

Payee	Net	VAT	Total	Chq.No
DCC Grant – payee amended to PCC Bilby	400.00	0.00	400.00	100569
D Morley Expenses – Plants & compost for troughs	41.10	7.35	51.45	100570
Mrs M Hoad Salary & Expenses Sep & Oct	241.64	0.00	241.64	100571
HMRC	27.20	0.00	27.20	100572
The Royal British Legion – Wreath	17.00	0.00	17.00	100573
Councillor re-imburement for laptop purchase – L Gaston	526.48	96.50	622.98	100574

Signed :

..... Chairman Date:

..... Clerk Date: