

## Misson Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at the Community Centre, Vicar Lane, Misson at 7.00pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### Public Questions:

**River Lane** – is there any update available re the offer from Misson Marine Club to undertake maintenance to protect the riverbank at the end of River Lane? The condition of the riverbank has deteriorated in the last month. There was no formal address on the MCC letter so it could not be officially responded to. Notts County Council (NCC) Highways were contacted following the February Parish Council meeting to again raise the issue about the condition of the riverbank. NCC contacted on 6<sup>th</sup> March for an update – this is being progressed and an update is anticipated in the next few weeks.

**Houses of Parliament tour** – Mandy Walker is going to progress this and obtain a list of possible dates and travel information. She will liaise separately with those who have expressed an interest in going.

**Kissing Gate** – to replace stile at Top Road entrance to footpath. **Action – Clerk to contact NCC Highways for update**

**The Green** – there is a large cherry tree on the north side of the Green with branches which require removing/ pruning. **Action – Cllr. Watkins to follow up**

**Present:** Cllrs. Jayne Watson (Chair). Jaime Sutherland, Peter Edwards, Andrea Wilcox, Julie Watkins, Mark Watson, Andy Woolliams, PCSO David Airey, Clerk Mark Hooper.

1. **To receive apologies for absence:** C. Cllr Tracey Taylor and D Cllr. Annette Simpson
2. **To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:** none declared.
3. **To approve the minutes of the council meeting of February 6th 2019.** Minutes were signed as a true and accurate record by the Chair.
4. **To note matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not on the agenda:**
  - **Footpath at Springs Road** – still requires clearing/ cleaning. The Community Payback Scheme (CPS) will be undertaking maintenance work in the village on two forthcoming Saturdays. **Action – Cllr. Watkins to liaise with the CPS to arrange for this to be undertaken.**
  - **Tunnel Tech** – it has been confirmed with Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) that complaints raised by email and by phone are both included in their statistics.
  - **Tunnel Tech** – the minutes Cllr. Edwards took at the meeting with Tunnel Tech and BDC on the 29<sup>th</sup> January have been sent to BDC.
  - **Church Clock** – the Parish Council has agreed to provide financial support for the maintenance of the Church clock in 2019/20. **Action – Clerk to liaise accordingly and arrange for the funds to be provided.**
  - **The Pinfold** - Matthew Guest formally thanked for the work he undertook on the Pinfold
  - **Fly Tipping** – there is still an issue at Springs Road between Brickyard Lane and Middle Wood Lane as well as in the dyke on the opposite side of the road. In

addition, there is also some at Slaynes Lane towards Hagg Lane end in the dyke.

**Action – Clerk to contact Wendy Turner at BDC to arrange removal**

#### **5. To receive reports from District and County Councillors.**

- Cllr. M. Watson gave an update OBO C. Cllr. Taylor. NCC have increased the Council Tax by 2.99% for 2019/20 in addition to a 1% dedicated uplift for Social Care (part of a 6% increase over three years). BDC have increased Council Tax by 2.96% for 2019/20.
- D. Cllr. Annette Simpson was absent – no report.

#### **6. To receive a report on the policing of the Parish.** PCSO David Airey read his report which can be seen on the Parish website. Two crimes of interest: theft from motor vehicle on Coronation Avenue on 12<sup>th</sup> February and shed burglary at Misson Springs on the 14<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **7. Planning**

- a) To note planning decisions
  - **18/01640/CAT** White Cottage, Middle Street. Tree of Heaven (5) Height 10m, Crown Reduction by 3m Holly (12) Height 6m, Crown Reduction by 1m Cherry (8) Height 7m, Crown Reduction by 2 to 2.5m and Remove a Lower Limb Lilac (10) Height 6m - Remove One Side Limb, Cut Out Any Dead Wood and Crossing Branches and Remove 2 Limbs (less than 75mm at 1.5m). Decided – Not to make a Tree Preservation Order
- b) To consider planning applications:
  - **19/00095/LBA** Woodbine Lodge High Street Misson. Partial Re-Roofing to the Front of the Property. **Councillors resolved to make no comment as this falls under listed building regulations.**
- c) To consider any other planning matters. An open forum was held at Misson Community Centre on 20<sup>th</sup> February organised by Bassetlaw District Council to discuss the Draft Bassetlaw Plan.

#### **8. The Neighbourhood Improvement Programme**

- **Lengthsmen** – a review of the Terms and Conditions has been undertaken following the initial 12 months that the scheme has been in operation. The PC has a responsibility to ensure the scheme delivers value for money therefore the authorisation for work to be undertaken under the scheme has been strengthened. The scheme also needs to satisfy the conditions of the PC Public Liability Insurance. Risk assessments will be undertaken as part of this. The Clerk will discuss the revised Terms & Conditions with the Lengthsmen in the next few weeks.
- Matthew Guest who has undertaken some work within the Pinfold re the planting of the Hawthorn whips has expressed an interest in joining the Lengthsmen scheme.  
**Action – Clerk to confirm with Matthew and discuss the Terms and Conditions with him.**
- Cllrs. J Watkins and J Sutherton met with a representative from Torne Valley to discuss the potential for purchasing a ride on lawnmower. The suggested model was in the region of £3,500. It would require annual maintenance at a cost of £150 plus parts.
- **Community Payback Scheme** – Cllr. Watkins has confirmed that the CPS are undertaking further work in the village on two forthcoming Saturdays. The CPS also undertakes regular paid contracting work – an initial outline quote has been received to mow the Green, the churchyard, the cemetery and the grass verges fortnightly from April to October at a cost of £150 per month. This quote to be confirmed. **Action – Clerk to contact another contractor to obtain a quote for comparison.**

- **Newington Sign** – a formal quote for the sign has been received. The total cost is £3,455 which is higher than originally anticipated. The Local Improvement Scheme have approved a grant of £2,500 for the sign – the PC unanimously agreed to fund the balance from the PC financial reserves. **Action – Clerk to formally place order**
- **Christmas Tree:** C. Cllr. Taylor has provided an update on how to progress this issue. **ACTION - Clerk to make enquiries of Gringley-on-the Hill plans for their Christmas Tree.**

## 9. Business Liaison

- **Odour emissions from Tunnel Tech.** 27 recorded complaints for January and 40 in February.

Cllr. M Watson has attended Everton and Gringley Parish Council meetings and has discussed the issue about emissions with them. This is a problem in both villages and the contact details for complaints at BDC has been shared with them.

**Action – Clerk to contact the Clerks at Austerfield and Bawtry PCs to share the contact details at BDC with them.**

It was confirmed that BDC Environmental Health have no plans currently to undertake a survey into the public health implications of Tunnel Tech operating within the proximity of the village.

**Action: Clerk to Liaise with Simon Middlebrook of Tunnel Tech re attending the Annual parish Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> May**

- **Doncaster Airport Committee** – next meeting will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- **IGas Springs Road CLG** – Cllr. Edwards will be attending the next meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> April.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> February there was a group inspection of the drilling site which Cllrs. J Watson and P Edwards attended with C. Cllr. T Taylor.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> February Cllrs. J Watson and P Edwards were invited by IGas to an impromptu meeting with Natasha Engel (the UK Shale Gas Commissioner) and a journalist for a full and frank discussion about the concerns of Parish residents

The minutes of the last IGas CLG meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> January were originally issued in draft and have since been retracted. Cllr. P Edwards has requested that they be re-issued

## 10. To discuss the Parish Council Elections to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019

The Clerk must publish the 'notice of election' no later than the 26<sup>th</sup> March – date to be confirmed by BDC.

Nominations may be submitted from the 25<sup>th</sup> March – the final date and time for receipt of the nominations by the election office is 4.00pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 by appointment.

If the election is contested the poll will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.

- ## 11. To discuss the scheduling of the MPC Annual General Meeting.
- There is a statutory requirement to hold this no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> May. Decision taken to hold it on the 8<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 6.30pm prior to the Parish Council meeting

- ## 12. To discuss the scheduling of the Misson Annual Parish Meeting.
- Decision taken to hold this on the 1<sup>st</sup> May – combining with the Tunnel Tech update.

**13. To receive a report from Misson Community Association.** Cllr Wilcox provided the following update:

- The AGM is to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> March. The current Chair will be standing down – therefore new members are sought
- A book and plant swap will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> April and on the 4<sup>th</sup> May
- An Easter bunny hunt will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> April
- The Village Spring Clean will take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> April
- The Misson car rally will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> May starting at the Angel Inn
- The flower festival will be held over the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> June

**14. To discuss renewal of the Community Centre lease from the end of May. Action – Clerk to contact NALC re recommending a solicitor**

**15. To receive a report from Frack Free Misson:** Very busy with members monitoring activity at the gates. Strong strategic links have been forged with Friends of the Earth and Notts Wildlife Trust. Visits to the gates from as far away as Pennsylvania. The launch of a petition to Michael Gove regarding threat to SSSI. Wildlife Wednesdays are going to be a regular event at the gate to highlight the threat to wildlife.

A successful Ceilidh was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Several people attended a presentation by IGas to Haxey Parish Council on the 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Frack Free Misson meet every Thursday at 7.30pm at the Angel Inn Misson.

Cllr. Edwards to raise the subject of IGas conducting an update visit at the next CLG meeting

**16. To review highways and parish paths**

**Highways Issue** – there is an issue with large equipment from Hanson's Quarries being moved down Slaynes Lane. The current planning consent allows for traffic from the quarry to cross Slaynes Lane – but not to travel down it. Action – **Clerk to contact Notts CC Planning Dept and raise issue with them.**

Cllr. Watkins to attend the next meeting of the Newington Quarry Habitat Management Committee on the 18<sup>th</sup> March.

**17. To receive a report on Misson Cemetery and Churchyard. Commission a review of Cemetery fees** – a review was undertaken in comparison with the fees charged at Everton and Granby. Decision taken not to increase the fees for 2019/20  
The new notice board has been installed at the cemetery.

**18. Communications:**

- To consider the production of the Misson Parish Newsletter. D. Cllr. Simpson has been thanked for her offer of support with printing.  
Dr M Walker has volunteered to help produce the newsletter. A sub-group to be formed of Cllrs. J Watson, J Watkins and A. Wilcox to work with Dr Walker to progress this – to meet in April.

**19. Parish Financial administration**

To receive and approve:

- To approve the mileage rate for travelling expenses at 45p per mile - agreed

- The clerk presented the Financial statements to the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and Council resolved to accept them

NatWest Current Acc.	@ 6/3/19	£15,738.70
NatWest Reserve Acc.	@ 6/3/19	£10,537.09

- Councillors resolved to approve the following cheques for payment.

<b>Chq no</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Amount</b>
001119	E. Jordan (L'men)	£132.00
001120	NALC (Chair training)	£25.00
001121	TEC Clerk's Feb salary	£106.80
001122	HMRC PAYE	£92.40
001123	MPC Clerk's Feb salary	£399.75
001124	MPC Clerk's Feb expenses	£39.15

## **20. To receive feedback from meetings attended in January.**

**Bassetlaw Parish forum** – 18th February – Cllr M. Watson attended – meeting covered the forthcoming District and Parish elections and had an item on re-cycling.

**River Idle Management Partnership meeting** – 26<sup>th</sup> February. Cllr J Watkins attended – there is an on-going programme of cutting back the overhanging trees along the river bank. This is being done cyclically and will take a number of years.

## **21. To receive correspondence:**

- The Royal British Legion (RBL) are promoting Lamp Post poppies following the success of them last year. Decision taken by the PC to support the appeal and apply for sufficient poppies to attach to the lampposts around the Green etc. **Action – Clerk to contact RBL and order poppies**
- Misson Community Association have raised the issue of the grass verge opposite the Community Centre. It is being damaged by cars driving over it. The MCA have offered to install concrete posts to prevent this. NCC Highways have been contacted re this issue – it is on-going.
- The Police Priority Setting Meeting will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> April at Retford Town Hall between 6.30 and 8.00pm. Cllr J. Sutherton will attend.
- The Bassetlaw Rural Conference will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at Retford Town Hall.

22. To confirm the date of the next meeting: Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019.