

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DEEPING ST NICHOLAS PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2004 AT SHILLAKERS FARM AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT** Mr A Ivatt (in the Chair)

Mrs G Scholes; Mr I McDonald; Mrs E Firmager; Mr P Barrett; Mr D Branton;  
Mrs L McGuinness; Mr J Davis and Mr N Watts

The Clerk and PC Paul

Mr R Barker (Wind Prospect) and Ms A Dugnan (Energy4All)

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Mr P Espin. Mr Carter and Mr Chappell did not attend

The Council AGREED with the Chairman to place Wind Prospect and Allotments on the Agenda.

**POLICE MATTERS**

PC Paul was once again the Community PC, and now reported on some recent shed burglaries, which would appear to be fairly common at this time of year. The Police supplied those affected with special shed alarms, which were also available to purchase.

*South Holland Crime & Disorder Partnership* would be holding a consultation meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 7.30pm at SHDC Offices. Main issues raised would be presented in the Audit of Crime & Disorder to be published in the Autumn.

Mr Branton also reported on a meeting that he had been invited to attend concerning *Hare Coursing*. The intention being to formulate a policy between the various representatives attending, for an initiative due to start in September.

**WIND PROSPECT**

Mr Barker, on being invited to speak, reported that there would be an initial contribution of £30,000 into a fund within 28 days of commissioning of the windcluster, followed by annual contributions of £10,000 whilst the windcluster is operating. Although it has yet to be decided how the trust fund will be set up, the following had been recommended by Wind Propsect in the past:

- a. a trust fund committee of volunteers/members of the local council
- b. a committee set up by the Lincs Community Foundation who would charge a maximum of 15% of the annual fund for administration.

The Council preferred the idea of a local committee of 6 to 8 members, and it was AGREED that a Public Meeting be organised in November, which Mr Barker was willing to attend.

Ms Dugnan represented the Baywind Green Power Co-operative which had created the management company Energy4All Ltd. One of the turbines would belong to the local community under this scheme, and by owning a stake of between £250 and £20,000, each member would have an equal say in how the co-operative would be run, regardless of their holding.

The Chairman thanked Mr Barker, Ms Dugnan and PC Paul, who now left the meeting.

### **MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2004**

These were now signed as a correct record

### **MATTERS ARISING**

It was reported that Mr Firmager had varnished the Plough notice board. Unfortunately, he had been unwell, and had not been able to do any further work.

### **COUNCILLOR ESPIN'S REPORT**

The Clerk stated that Mr Espin had no updates for the time being.

### **ALLOTMENTS**

As Mr Bailey's tenancy is due to expire in October, it was AGREED that the Clerk place an advertisement for the vacancy in the local press.

### **HIGHWAYS**

1. **North Drove Bank** will be having repairs carried out with funding from the drought damage allowance
2. Developers to remove **signs** in the old part of **New Road**
3. **Repair works** to the **A16** to be carried out by TSP in the **summer**
4. **Bollards** along the new section of **New Road** will remain as they are for the benefit of pedestrians and are a condition of the planning agreement
5. The **grass cutting** fell behind due to problems with the contractors

Mrs McGuinness reported on several outstanding issues from last year when the A16 was de-trunked:

- a. **Signs** now to be erected before **Carrington Drive, Campains Lane and Harrow Road**
- b. There will be no **pedestrian crossing** at the **Plough Inn**
- c. **Landscaping** – this is still being looked into
- d. **Interactive signs** – also being looked into
- e. **Camera site** – this is not now likely to be moved

The Clerk to report flooding due to a dip in the road at New Road.

**PLANNING**

**H03/0723/04** J D Lake                      Erection of single dwelling with garage at Plot  
**CONCERNS**                                      East side of Rose Villa, Counter Drain Drove

**H03/0806/04** P N Watts                      Proposed shed ext. & mixing store at Vine  
**SUPPORTS**                                      House Farm, Littleworth Drove

Mr Watts declared an interest and left the Meeting

**H03/0812/04** Mr & Mrs R Doe              Two storey ext. to rear of dwelling & ext. to side  
**CONCERNS**                                      to form double garage, 10 main Rd. Tongue End

**COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Solicitor had written to say that the Developers were not prepared to delete the restrictive covenant from the Transfer prohibiting the land being used for any purpose other than that of a Community Centre. With regard to erecting a further fence of 1.5 meters, the Developers' Solicitor had received no further instruction.

Mrs Scholes also reported that the Developers are not likely to sign Transfer until their Planning Application for the gas tanks had been to Committee.

As there were also some sections of the Transfer Document that the Council were not happy about, it was proposed by Mr Davis, seconded by Mr Branton, and AGREED that the Chairman and Vice Chairman make an appointment with the Solicitor to go through the Documents.

Mr Watts and Mrs McGuinness left the Meeting at 9.10pm

**PLAYING FIELDS**

Following the Playing Fields Inspection in May, the Clerk had obtained details of various suitable **surfacing for underneath play equipment**, and Mr Barrett agreed to measure the area underneath the swings at Campains Lane.

The Clerk to report **Mole activity**, particularly at Campains Lane.

**SPONSORSHIP OF DSN PARISH CHURCH MAGAZINE**

The Magazine had printed general details concerning the Parish Council together with Agenda items of the last Meeting, and how to obtain further details. It was proposed by Mr McDonald, seconded by Mrs Firmager and AGREED to sponsor the magazine, and proposed by Mr Branton, seconded by Mr Barrett and AGREED that £50 be donated for the next 6 months (covering 3 issues).

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Meeting will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2004, at 7.00pm.

**INTERNAL AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

It was proposed by Mrs Scholes, seconded by Mr Davis and AGREED that the following accounts be paid:

Clerk June/July Salary & Expenses	370.33
Calthrops Solicitors	223.25
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter grass cutting & mole control	421.94
Petty Cash	25.00
Mr Firmager – Plough Inn notice board	29.48
Mrs Robinson – Internal Audit	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	1120.00

It was proposed by Mr Davis, seconded by Mr McDonald, and AGREED that a cheque for £50 and a letter of thanks for carrying out the Council's Internal Audit for 2003/2004 be sent to Mrs Robinson.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

***DSN Parish Church Flower Festival Committee*** – A letter thanking the Parish Council for its donation

***LCC Free Trees for Parishes Scheme*** – The Council to request 200 hedging plants

***LCC Draft Community Safety Strategy*** – Copy of the executive summary

***LCC*** – Copy of the Draft Lincs Waste Local Plan

***LCC*** – Copies of the Performance & Budget Plan 2004-2007 available

***SHDC*** – Transfer of grounds maintenance services from Glendale to SHDC

***SHDC*** – Reminder for members to keep their Register of Interests up to date

***SHDC*** – shared installation cost footway lighting

***SHDC – Dyke adjacent to Campains Lane*** – A letter stating that after investigation, there is no evidence that any of the individual septic tanks are discharging directly to the dyke; consequently the Environmental Health is unable to take any further action. As the dyke is still contaminated, the Council did not feel this to be at all satisfactory, and the Clerk to reply accordingly.

***Welland & Deepings Internal Drainage Board*** – LCC are due to undertake some work at ***Cuckoo Bridge***. If there is any outstanding problem with the ***wooden fences*** after then, the Drainage Board will have them removed.

***Tongue End Telephone Kiosk*** – BT had written to say that due to a decline in the use of payphones, it would be removing the kiosk near the Bus Shelter at Tongue End.

**OPEN SESSION**

\*The Clerk to write to LCC concerning blocked drains along the Main Road

\*Mr Davis had attended the recent LCC Highways Meeting at the Civic Centre, that he had found very interesting, but which had not been well attended.

**CLOSURE 10.05PM**

**CHAIRMAN.....DATE.....**

