

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
GUNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24th AUGUST 2016 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Cllrs Lesley Jeffery
 Mick Bowles (Acting Chairman)
 Chris Cope
 Tony Everington (A)
 Peter Platten
 Jan Smith
 Jane Simpson (A)

Also present was the Clerk Gordon Oldham (TC) and Cllr Roger Jackson (NSDC & NCC).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Everington and Simpson.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes for July were agreed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

4. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

TC stated that the following issues had been reported to NCC and had been inspected, but no response as yet received: overgrown vegetation on footpath by the A6097; trees needing attention between the A6097 and the caravan park and white lining at junction of Trentside and Main Street. Members reported that although overgrown vegetation on one side (the river side) of the slope road had been cleared, the other side, adjacent the caravan park, remained an issue. TC to report and discuss with caravan park owner (Beverly Deverill). People are still parking on the footpath / verge to look at vehicles for sale at Brupen Motors. This is considered to be illegal and Cllr Jackson will pursue. Members reiterated that safety was still be compromised by drivers attempting to leave the Village onto the A6097.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Discussion was held on the need for replacement litter bins on Trentside. Members favoured a 'Jubilee' bin from Glasdon. TC was asked to determine cost, speak to NSDC, Andy Kirk, and to take a photo of one in Lowdham. TC was also asked to write to businesses emphasising the need for bins and to inform them that they could have their own motif / logo.

6. THE RIVERSIDE PROJECT, GRAVEL EXTRACTION AND FLOOD ALLEVIATION

Cllr Platten informed the meeting that there was no Riverside meeting this month. Members agreed to various items of expenditure that will be itemised and paid for at the next GPC meeting. There would seem to be a minor issue with the transfer of land from Marston's – a meeting will be arranged between Marston's and Ian Torr to agree scope / area of land. There are concerns that with various delays in the transfer there is a danger of losing the recently awarded £12,000 grant.

There have been various incidents of suspicious behaviour of youths on the riverside land – Members and the public are requested to tell any youths 'hanging about' to move on. TC was asked to speak to Jeremy Hutchinson at NSDC about dog fouling, primarily on the playing field and riverside.

Members of the Riverside Committee and GPC agreed the revised 'Terms of Reference' for the RC.

7. CLERK'S REPORT

In view of his imminent departure TC distributed a list of necessary work to be done to ensure a problem-free transfer of duties and administration to his successor. One of the most time-consuming tasks will be the transfer of printed documents currently held in his office at home. It is felt that a great number of documents could be destroyed as having no long-term use. With this in mind, a meeting was arranged for 1st September (7 pm) to view and classify documents that TC will bring to the Village Hall.

TC offered to assist the new Clerk in October and this was agreed by Members. TC stated that he will, however, be away in France for two weeks in October.

8. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

There was discussion regarding the great number of bike rides and races coming through the Village. Members asked if there was any limit to the number of races but it seemed there was no answer to this. There was a brief discussion about drainage in north end of the Village. At one point there were 8 small drains into a field but only one small drain out.

At a previous meeting, Matt Lamb from NSDC agreed to arrange a meeting between various authorities and GPC concerning planning matters. This has not happened – Cllr Jackson agreed to speak with Mr Lamb.

With regard to grass and hedge cutting, Cllr Platten has produced a detailed schedule on behalf of the Parish Council. Cllr Smith is to liaise with Richard Covill to ensure this schedule is adhered to. TC has passed JC details to Cllr Smith.

9. PLANNING

Newark and Sherwood DC applications

- None

Newark and Sherwood DC decisions

- None

10. VILLAGE HALL, PLAYFIELD & PLAYPARK

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

11. THE PARISH PLAN

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

12. FINANCE

Members authorised payment of accounts as per the following schedule:

Chq No	PSNo		Net Total	VAT	TOTAL
248	166 *	George Walker - Timber	570.38	114.08	684.46
249	167 *	A1 Mini Mix Concrete Ltd	110.00		110.00
250	168	Gordon Oldham - Salary / Expenses	383.48		383.48
251	169	Post Office (HMRC)	79.60		79.60
<u>Total expenditure for meeting</u>			1,143.46	114.08	1,257.54
<u>Total expenditure to date</u>			5,747.23	331.68	6,078.91

13. OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT

There was nothing to report other than described elsewhere in these minutes.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council will be held on the 28th September in the Village Hall commencing 7.15 pm.