

# WOOLSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Parish Council Meeting

Date: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016

Venue: Woolsthorpe Social Club at 7 p.m.

Councillors present G. Ward (Chairman)  
P. Hammond (Vice Chairman)  
J. Barber  
M. Bradshaw

Also present District Councillor P. Bosworth  
Mr Joseph Salmon

Mrs Emma Wilson (Clerk)

## Open Session – Public Forum

One member of the public was present to hear feedback on planning application S16/1565 - Change of use of domestic garage to workshop to run furniture business from home (retrospective application). The Chair suggested that feedback was given in the open session. The parish clerk informed the meeting that the planning application had been refused (further detail to be given in agenda item 82). The Parishioner then left the meeting.

Mr Patrick Randall was present to make further enquiries about public liability and insurance prior to taking up his new role as Litter Picker for the parish council. Clerk confirmed she would look in to this and feedback to Mr Randall and the parish council. Mr Randall then left the meeting.

**Action: The clerk to ensure insurance cover is in place; also to procure new grabber equipment from SKDC**

## To appoint a parish councillor to fill the casual vacancy in Woolsthorpe Parish Council

Following the external advertisement for a new parish councillor and no interest shown. Mr Joseph Salmon attended the meeting to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council. It was proposed by Councillor Jane Barber and seconded by Councillor Paul Hammond that Mr Joseph Salmon is co-opted to the Parish Council and this was unanimously agreed by show of hand.

Resolved that: Mr Joseph Salmon is co-opted to the Woolsthorpe Parish Council.

Mr Joseph Salmon to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Woolsthorpe by Belvoir Parish Council Code of Conduct in the presence of the Council's Proper Officer

**The public session was then closed.**

73. Apologies – Cllr T. Packer, Cllr A. Ablewhite, County Cllr B. Adams, & District Cllr H. Westropp

74. Disclosure of interest in agenda items – NIL

75. The minutes of meeting dated 30<sup>th</sup> August 2016 having been circulated prior to the meeting were confirmed and signed as a true record by the chairman.

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76. Matters arising:

- a. (63) – Clerk confirmed that she would request an update on outstanding actions from Highways Village Inspection Report from August 2016.
- b. (64) – Clerk to give update in agenda item 78.
- c. (65) – Cllr Jane Barber confirmed she had invited Mr Joseph Salmon to attend the next meeting.
- d. (66) – Cllr Ward to give update in agenda item 79.
- e. (67) – Clerk to give update in agenda item 80.

77. Visibility of Signs – Clerks feedback

The clerk read out the response from Highways regarding reporting poor visibility of signs Dry Bridge. Highways confirmed they had visited the location and are of the opinion that the trees obscuring view are not Highways owned, but those of the adjacent land owner. Additionally they comment that there is a tree on the opposite side of the village that is obscuring another 30mph sign when entering the village using Sedgebrook Road.

**Action: Cllr Ward agreed it would be more appropriate for him to contact Belvoir Estate himself rather than through highways.**

78. Defibrillator – Billing & Training

- a. Billing - Following on from Cllr Hammonds enquiries with Western Power the Parish Council decided to opt for EON as their unmetered electricity supplier. Clerk is to notify Mr Trevor Unwin from Western Power of this choice and await agreement for unmetered electricity connection to then be signed.
- b. Training – Given the low number of replies from parishioners who had signed up as being interested in defibrillator training; the meeting decided it would be wise for the clerk to contact an alternative training provider who could provide more options for training dates. Clerk to contact alternatives.

**Action: Clerk to notify Mr Unwin WPD and update at the next meeting if agreement received for signature.**

**Action: Clerk to contact alternative providers and set up training session as soon as possible for all confirmed interested parties.**

79. Children's Play Area – Lease/Maintenance

- a. Cllr Ward confirmed after enquiries that the lease on the play area did not expire for another 5 years from now. He suggested that replacement of the bark in the playground should be done in the spring of 2017 and all councillors agreed.
- b. Cllr Hammond gave feedback on his H&S check – He commented that the chains on the swings were only recorded as a low risk with replacement suggested within 12 months.
- c. Cllr J Barber confirmed that the seats had been painted on 15<sup>th</sup> September and some weeding had also been done.
- d. A discussion took place about replacing the spikes top cross bar of the swings; Cllr Barber offered to get a price for their replacement.

**Action: Cllr Barber to report back on quote for replacement spikes to feedback.**

80. Litter Picker - The clerk to ensure insurance cover is in place; also to procure fresh picker equipment from SKDC as per action from open session.

81. Correspondence – The clerk read out the following to the meeting:

- a. A personal thanks from Barbara Taylor ex parish clerk for her farewell gift and presentation
- b. A personal enquiry regarding local burial grounds.

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- c. A thank you from walk leader Mr Troughton for allowing his group to use our facilities.
- d. Letter from Anglian Water regarding their incorrect temporary VAT coding.
- e. Clerks & Councils Direct circular magazine
- f. LALC News

## 82. Planning

- a. S16/1565 – the clerk reported that this application had been refused by SKDC and read out the statement supplied by SKDC from Paul Thomas, Executive Manager, Development & Growth.
- b. S16/1820 – (late agenda item) the clerk reported that this application had been approved by SKDC

## 83. Accounts for payment:

It was highlighted that the nominal amount paid to the social club for use of their room had not been reviewed for some years. Cllr Paul Hammond suggested the parish council increase the payment to £10-00; this was seconded by Cllr M Bradshaw and subsequently agreed by all councillors.

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| a. Room Hire 100822 | £ 10-00 |
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## 84. Any Other Business

- a. Further to Anglian Waters investigations, the Chair asked the clerk to contact Highways to enquire what support is available to rectify the issue of surface water on Main Street.
- b. Cllr J Barber reported that the grit bin located near the entrance to the social club car park and the Doctors Surgery was in a disgusting state this week. She commented that people seem to continue to use it as rubbish bin inappropriately and she had to clear the overflowing garbage.
- c. The clerk confirmed the Notice of Conclusion of Audit year ending 31/03/16 will be uploaded to our parish website tomorrow 04/10/16.
- d. The meeting date of 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016 for the next parish council meeting was re-scheduled to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016 by agreement of all at the meeting.
- e. The chair asked if councillors could make themselves available to meet with Tough Mudder organiser to discuss future plans and requirement for the event.
- f. Radar Speed Signs, It was commented that an additional post should possibly be sited on Sedgebrook Road to enable a further speed sign location. Cllr P Hammond said he would contact Road Safety Partnership to look at possible help with costs for this.
- g. Battery units to be taken by Cllr Bradshaw and charged up.

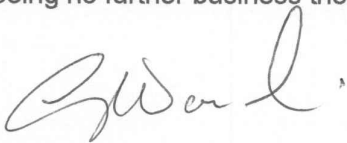
**Action: Clerk to contact Highways re surface water main street.**

**Action: Cllr Barber to look at the bin to see if will accommodate a padlock to stop the problem and allow key holders.**

**Action: Cllr P Hammond to contact Road Safety Partnership**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Signed



Date

14/11/16.