

Minutes of Laceby Parish Council Planning Meeting
Held at the Stanford Centre, Cooper Lane Laceby on Tuesday 6th August 2019 at 7.30pm

12334 Present: Chair - Cllr R James (Vice Chair)
Cllr S Turner, Cllr L Emerson, Cllr Schofield, Cllr S Greenbeck
Also present: 4 member of public present
Clerk – Nicola Ashton
Apologies: Cllr H Hudson, Cllr D Hasthorpe, Cllr B Metcalf, Cllr D Johnson

Apologies were accepted.

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

12335 Minutes from the 2nd July 2019

Minutes from the meeting held on the 2nd July 2019 were put forwards for approval, the minutes were proposed by Cllr Turner and seconded by Cllr Schofield. Cllr James ensured all Councillors were in agreement and minutes were approved.

12336 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

Cllr James asked if anyone had any interests or dispensations to declare. The Clerk confirmed that there were planning applications and Cllr James declared an interest in regards to her position as a member of the Planning Committee.

"I am a member (RJ) of North East Lincolnshire Borough Council's Planning Committee and I am present here in my role as Parish Councillor and not as chair/member of North East Lincolnshire Council's Planning Committee. I am able to participate as the proposal before us does not substantially affect the well-being or financial standing of the Parish Council, and must make it clear that my views and vote are expressed on the limited information before me. I must reserve judgement and the independence to make up my own mind on each separate proposal, based on my overriding duty to the whole of North East Lincolnshire, not just to the people in the parish, as and when I hear all of the relevant information when it comes before me at Planning Committee.

I will not in any way commit myself as to how I or others may vote, or what may be said, when the proposal comes before Planning Committee. I will declare a personal interest in relation to my being a member of the Parish Council when the item is before Planning Committee."

There were no further declarations of interest or dispensations recorded.

12337 Public Forum

Cllr James opened the meeting to the public forum, asking if there was anything for discussion in regards to tonight's agenda.

The members of the public present confirmed that they were here in regards to the old allotments on Butt Lane. It was felt that the actions of one person was affecting the enjoyment of the land for everyone else within the village. The members of the public confirmed that they wanted to keep the site as an asset to the community and regularly kept it clean and in good order. It was also acknowledged that there were one or two dog walkers who abused the land using it as a dog toilet, and had sympathy with the neighbours. They explained that the site had been used for more than 30 years as a footpath, and it was only recently that access had been an issue, and that users of the allotments had been met with intimidation and threatening behaviour. In recent weeks the neighbour had cut approximately 5ft off trees bordering the old allotment and these had been dumped on the land creating a mess and upsetting the people who have worked to keep the site in good order, photographs are available. The local residents would like to continue to maintain the site and look at changing the use of the land to make use of the land, the trees the scouts planted

many years ago and the fruit trees that are already down there. It was suggested that a Solar Fund application be made to clear the site, get a tree surgeon and begin to make the area somewhere for people to enjoy. The only problem is that the site is secure and no one can get in.

The Clerk explained the terms of the lease and that the Parish Council had worked throughout the last year to find a resolution. Unfortunately, the only option available to us was to secure the boundaries. The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council has not handed the land back to NELC.

Cllr James expressed concern that in hindsight the Parish Council should have taken action with the dog fouling, but that the hedge was an act of fly tipping and that the Parish Council will write to NELC in regards to this issue and explore what action can be taken. She added that all incidents of threatening behaviour and intimidation should be reported to the Police and a log number raised. All Councillors were supportive of looking to a change of use of the land and the Clerk will look into writing a proposal. Cllr James asked that the public members continued with gathering information and forms in regards to making the area a right of way.

Action Clerk to notify NELC of fly tipping, and begin looking at writing a proposal for a change of use.
Cllr James closed the public forum.

12338 Police Matters

It was noted that a Police representative wasn't available for the meeting, however the Police report shared with Parish Council. There were no concerns raised.

12339 Ward Councillors

Cllrs Hudson and Hasthorpe had sent their apologies for tonight's meeting; Cllr James asked if there was any feedback for the Ward Councillors? Cllr Turner asked whether we could find out whether there had been a change in policy regarding street lighting as many side streets now had no lights after 9pm. As we have not received any notification regarding this the Clerk was asked to seek clarification on when this had become a policy and to express concerns around safety of residents, especially the elderly, who were struggling with no lighting.

Action Clerk to contact Ward Councillors re lighting.

12340 Planning Matters

DM/1097/18/FUL – Change of use of land for the siting of 74 timber lodges and associated infrastructure including access roads, drainage ponds and landscaping; Manor Golf Course, Barton Street, Laceby

Discussion held around plans presented, although it was not obvious why this information had been sent as it had previously been looked at. The width of the road was noted. Concerns were again expressed in regards to the entrance and the A18 along with the sign at the entrance blocking sight for those leaving the club.

Action Clerk to advise NELC Planning.

DM/0590/19/FUL – conversion of existing outbuildings to create two-bedroom detached bungalow to include single storey extensions to the front and rear to create additional residential accommodation with internal and external alterations; Greenside Cottage, Top Farm, Laceby

Plans were considered and discussed at length, it was acknowledged that the plans were detailed and it would be a positive outcome for the outbuildings.

Action Clerk to advise NELC Planning.

DM/0600/19/FUL – Demolish existing single storey side extension and erect two storey side and rear extension to include installation of bay window to front and single storey rear extension with roof lights; 73 Caistor Road, Laceby

Plans were inspected and discussed at length and consideration given to the impact they would have. No concerns were raised and all Councillors present were in full agreement with the proposal.

Action Clerk to notify NELC Planning.

DM/0387/19/FUL – Demolish existing building, Russell Dene, greenhouses and various outbuildings and erect two storey extension to front, single storey extensions to side and café, erect single storey green barn and 16m high wind turbine to rear of site, relocate existing polytunnels, create new access, form new coach parking, create additional parking to side, creation of pond and various landscaping; Grimsby Garden Centre, Laceby

The plans in general were met with a positive response, however concerns were raised around Wold View and the impact that the plans would have on this and neighbouring properties. It was acknowledged that there would be an isolation and a big impact on the resident due to the road into the new car park and the car park itself and whether the Garden Centre would consider amending plans to reduce the impact. Concerns were also raised around the road leading to the Garden Centre and whether it was fit for the increase in traffic / buses. Cllr James asked if everyone was happy with the concerns to be sent to planning and all were in agreement.

Action Clerk to notify NELC Planning.

DM/0485/19/FUL – installation of car park canopy for new click and collect service; Morrisons, Hilmore Road, Laceby and

DM/0557/19/ADV – display 4 non-illuminated click and collect fascia signs; Morrisons, Hilmore Road, Laceby

Plans were inspected and discussed; no concerns were raised and all Councillors present were in full agreement with the proposal.

Action Clerk to notify NELC Planning.

Cllr Metcalf had asked that Lopham Lane be discussed at the meeting. Plans were shared regarding Lopham Lane and that it does continue across the bypass and down to Caistor Road. Although we had been told by NELC that this section was not a public right of way all Councillors in agreement that this should be challenged. Cllr James suggested that the Land Registry is checked to establish ownership of the land and that it was NELC land and a public right of way. Cllr Schofield explained that before the A46 bypass this section was part of a bridle path.

Action Clerk to contact Ward Councillors and enforcement team, public footpath and highways teams to express concerns regarding Lopham Lane.

NELC Planning have advised the approval of the following plans under delegated powers:

- DM/0559/19/FUL – demolish existing garage and erect single storey garage and hardstanding to front of property; 41 Caistor Road, Laceby
- DM/1133/17/OUT – outline application for 152 dwellings with means of access considered, including emergency vehicular access onto Charles Avenue; Land Field Head Road, Laceby

12341 Matters Arising

Matters arising will be discussed further at the next meeting.

12342 Finance Matters

Accounts for payment

The following items required approval for payment, some were Bacs and some Cheque payments:

Salaries for 3 members of staff August 2019	£1409.74
HMRC – Income Tax, Aug 2019	£277.13
Chairs Allowance	£20.00
Clerks telephone line	£21.95
Cemetery Waste collections July 2019	£40.18
Internal Audit	£350.00
Groundskeeper & Clerk petty cash	£71.20
Cllr Johnson – repairs & equipment	£19.62
Total	£2359.82

Cllr Turner proposed the payments, and was seconded by Cllr Greenbeck; all Councillors agreed the payments be authorised.

Quarter 1 Financial Reconciliation

The Clerk confirmed that the accounts had been balanced for the period of 1/4/19 to 30/6/19, and handed Councillors the financial reconciliation and a copy of the budget. The current balance of monies held by the Parish Council is £124,078 and the Clerk confirmed that plans needed to be made regarding investment of these funds into the village. Cllr Schofield advised the Clerk of some contractors to contact for a quote regarding a second tap at the Cemetery, and Cllr Greenbeck suggested some additional benches towards the top of the Cemetery as well. The Clerk will also look at the other areas suggested for investigation.

12343 St Francis Grove Matters

There was nothing for discussion at tonight's meeting.

12344 Church and Cemetery Matters

War Memorial

Cllr Greenbeck explained that the inscriptions would take the whole of the month and the Cenotaph would be ready to go in in September. Copies of the inscriptions were shared with the Parish Council. Cllr Greenbeck asked if the Parish Council had written to the History Group re the old Cenotaph as it had been queried again today. The Clerk confirmed that she had sent a letter and could not understand the query; another letter will be posted along with the VE day celebration letter this week.

Haagensen Memorial

Cllr Schofield confirmed that the memorial had opened on Saturday 20th July between 10am and 2pm; and had seen around 25 visitors. Unfortunately, the weather meant it was closed up early.

12345 Stanford Centre

Cllr Metcalf was not at the meeting and the Stanford Centre update would be discussed at that meeting.

12346 Allotments – Old Allotments

Cllr James explained that this had been discussed earlier and confirmed that the members of the public were happy with the proposed way forwards at present.

12347 Correspondence

The Clerk handed out the information regarding changes to the Blue Badge Scheme, the Town and Parish Minutes were shared and various information from the CPRE was shared.

The Clerk explained that the ERNLLCA District Committee for NEL had been postponed due to lack of support. Cllr Hasthorpe would like to enquire if the Parish Council would be happy for him to stand as a member of the District Committee. All Councillors were in agreement, the Clerk will let Cllr Hasthorpe know.

12348 Information Exchange

Cllr Turner explained that the Victoria Park looked a mess and desperately needed cutting, the wildflower meadow is high with weeds and thistles and needed cutting before a child was injured.

Action Clerk to contact Grounds Maintenance and ask for the field to be cut as a matter of urgency.

Cllr Turner also raised concern about the A46 and queried why the grass had been cut again upto Morrisons and had not been cut beyond that. The Laceby bypass from Morrisons to Oaklands looks a mess, is dangerous to road users and is gathering rubbish. The Clerk confirmed she had raised the issue with the Wold Councillors, Highways and Grounds Maintenance and had logged it on the report it tool and had not received any response as yet.

Action Clerk to contact Wold Councillors, Grounds Maintenance and Highways regarding the concern.

Cllr Emerson raised concerns around the state of the path across the Victoria Park and its inaccessibility to pushchairs and wheelchairs. Cllr Schofield explained that because it is an old waste dump as soon as the path is repaired, the ground moves and will be in same state quickly.

Action Clerk will ask if there was any way of repair to the path.

Cllr Emerson asked if there was any information regarding the Gibraltar Lane garage; Cllr James confirmed that there had been nothing as yet, and that enforcement would most likely negotiate a way forwards when the build was complete.

Cllr Greenbeck questioned when the next quarterly meeting with Debbie Swatman would be.

Action Clerk will find out and update everyone at next meeting.

Cllr James expressed concerns about parking along the A46 verges, advising that both the Mercedes and BMW garages now regularly parked on the verges and that Graham Davis Commercials was now also using the verges. Member of the public asked if the Parish council could look at a byelaw regarding parking on verges. The Clerk confirmed that this had been raised with NELC already.

Action Clerk to write to Police and NELC highways about this issue.

The side of the Beck is currently overgrown and covered with nettles and needs cutting. Discussion was held around whose responsibility it was to maintain the area, Clerk to contact Anglian Water.

The Chair confirmed the next meeting dates as:

- Planning Meeting – Tuesday 20th August 2019 at 7.30pm (if required)
- Full Council and Planning Meeting – Tuesday 3rd September 2019 at 7.30pm
- Planning Meeting (including VE Day Planning) – Tuesday 16th September at 7.30pm

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Signed:

Chair

Dated: