

Minutes of Laceby Parish Council Planning Meeting
Held at the Stanford Centre, Cooper Lane Laceby on Tuesday 6th October 2020 at 7.30pm

- 12557 Present:** Chair – Cllr B Metcalf
Cllr R James, Cllr S Greenbeck, Cllr D Johnson, Cllr S Turner, Cllr J Dixon, Cllr R Barford, Cllr L Emerson,
- Also present:** Clerk – Nicola Ashton
- Apologies:** Cllr P Schofield, Ward Cllr D Hasthorpe

Due to the covid19 pandemic, this meeting was a closed meeting to the public.

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

12558 Minutes from the 1st September 2020

Minutes from the Finance and Planning Meeting on the 1st September 2020 were put forwards for approval. Cllr Turner requested that the minute 12550 be amend as the sentence was contradictory. The Clerk will record that the St Francis Grove hedge has now been cut. Minutes were proposed by Cllr Greenbeck and seconded by Cllr Turner; Cllr Metcalf ensured all Councillors were in agreement that the minutes were an accurate record of events and with a show of full hands the minutes were approved.

12559 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

Cllr Metcalf asked if anyone had any interests or dispensations to declare, Cllr James asked for the following statement to be recorded:

"I am a member of North East Lincolnshire Borough Council's Planning Committee and I am present here in my role as Parish Councillor and not as 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."

Cllr Johnson declared an interest in Finance. There were no other declarations of interest or dispensations to be recorded.

12560 Public Forum

There were no public in attendance this evening as the meeting was a closed meeting following the guidelines under the covid pandemic. All members of the Parish had been given opportunity to send in any queries for the Clerk to raise on their behalf, and these will be discussed at relevant opportunities during the meeting.

12561 Matters Arising

CCTV – Allotment & Cemetery

Cllr Metcalf confirmed that she was still working on this and liaising with NELC.

Lopham Lane – Footpath 98

The Clerk shared a letter from the Ramblers Association regarding the footpath; this advises that there will be guidance later in the year regarding the Don't Lose Your Way Project which may help with this. Clarification was provided around what PROW (Public Rights of Way) they were focusing on within this project.

Action Clerk to write as directed above.

Church Lane Bins

Cllr Metcalf explained that she & Cllr Hasthorpe had met with NELC, including the Leader of the Council, Cllr Swinburn portfolio holder and members of the waste team to look at the situation regarding the bins not being emptied. They walked the full length of the street and identified an intermediate plan to use signs and cones when the residents moved their cars.

Nothing was heard until the Clerk came home to find signs and cones in her garden; Cllr Metcalf explained that they had been removed the next morning and NELC had said it was a misunderstanding. Cllr Metcalf then walked the length of Church Lane to speak to residents about the plans and did find residents willing to put out cones, however NELC only sent 5 cones – these were distributed down the street. Cllr Metcalf is putting the signs out each Monday and Tuesday morning before 7am and taking them in after 2pm. There are plans to put a single line all the way down the street, which would be enforced on bin days. There have since been an issue with bins not being collected, but this has been resolved.

Cllr Metcalf also explained she had been notified by a resident that the bins had not been collected on Altoft Close; they rang to report this at 1pm and were told by the call handler to call after 3.30pm. The resident called at 3.30pm to be asked by the call handler why they hadn't called earlier when they notice the bin had been missed! The bin was collected the next day and the incident has been reported to Cllr Hasthorpe.

12562 Police Matters

The Clerk shared a communication with regards to the ASB in the play area at St Francis Grove; PC Hassan, the Community Beat Manager for our area. He explained that he had visited the area on the evening of the 4/9/20 and made contact with the group, he strongly advised that their behaviour was unacceptable. He will continue to monitor.

PCSO Hesseltine, has also been in touch and would like to start targeting streets to sign up to My Community alerts. He would like to use this opportunity to also have joint ward walks with the Parish Council. All agreed that this was a great idea and sounded similar to Neighbourhood Watch and that they would be interested in joint ward walks.

Action Clerk to feedback to Police.

The Wolds Community Newsletter was shared for October 2020 and discussed.

12563 Ward Councillors

Cllr Hasthorpe had sent his apologies for tonight's meeting; there was no information to feedback to him.

12564 Planning Matters

Cllr Metcalf explained that she had received complaints from residents, and had witnessed the parking of car transporters on the highway. Cllr Metcalf explained to the newer members of the Council that when the plans had been presented, Laceby PC had advised that they didn't support the development without consideration being given to taking the transporters from off the highway. Marshalls, identified that they could put a layby in to remove this concern. We then received information after the plans had been passed that the layby could not be put in, but that

Marshalls would like to bring the transporters & delivery vehicles off the road and onto the garage forecourt, for which they would extend to the right of the gate so the vehicles could easily pull in and out again. Laceby PC had stated that they didn't want the space filling with cars and that the transporters should be able to access the site.

In the last month alone, there has been numerous incidents of transporters parked on the blind corner which has caused problems with traffic on the road, this had been captured on photo and also dashcam's. Cllr Metcalf also shared video footage which showed 2 transporters parked on the highway, on a blind bend and with cars and buses trying to pass, it was noted that this was an accident waiting to happen. Marshall's have plenty of land now to take these vehicles off the highway, but every space is filled with cars for sale.

Action Clerk to raise issue with NELC Planning Enforcement Team and also write to the Manager of Marshalls.

Cllr James explained that the Mercedes garage near the roundabout was equally as bad with transporters parking on the dual carriageway; it was believed that Cllr Hasthorpe was dealing with these issues.

DM/0808/20/FUL – alter existing conservatory roof to lightweight tiled & block up side kitchen window and back door; 6 George Butler Close, Laceby.

Plans were considered and discussed at length and discussion held; no concerns were raised and a full show of hands confirmed all happy with this planning application.

Action Clerk to advise NELC Planning.

12565 Finance Matters

Accounts for payment

The following items required approval for payment, all were Bacs payment:

Salaries x 3 members of staff for October 2020	£1510.07
HMRC - Salaries Oct 2020	£302.28
Chairs Allowance – Oct 2020	£20.00
Clerks Telephone Line Rental	£23.50
Cemetery Waste	£ 40.18
Clerk Petty Cash	£9.39
Groundskeeper Petty Cash	£48.00
Groundskeeper Hedge Cutter	£34.99
Allotment Rent	£341.00
Cemetery Skip Hire	£90.00
HWRA Membership	£25.00
Cllr Johnson reimbursement re Church light guards and varnish for Cemetery	£232.27

Total	£2685.68
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Cllr Turner proposed the payments, and was seconded by Cllr Barford; all Councillors agreed the payments be authorised.

12566 St Francis Grove Matters

Cllr Johnson and Cllr Greenbeck have now identified the works / repairs that need to be carried out to the play equipment at St Francis Grove. There is a great deal of damage to the site and the equipment, as well as graffiti and dog mess on it.

Action Clerk to forward the list to Wicksteed for a quote; also to enquire the repair / replacement of the soft pour surface.

12567 Church and Cemetery Matters

War Memorial

The new War Memorial is in and looks absolutely amazing!

Cllr Johnson and Cllr Greenbeck have arranged for a blessing to take place on the 7/10/20. It was noted that the Cemetery Regulations state 8 maximum can attend services. Discussion took place and it was agreed that the maximum allowed for the Blessing and the Remembrance Sunday is 15. Cllr Greenbeck will ensure contacts and no more than 15 tomorrow, the Clerk & Cllr Metcalf will do this on Remembrance Sunday.

Action Clerk to check guidelines from NELC and advise the RBL that the max allowed is 15. Clerk to notify NELC of plans.

Cemetery Road / Path

Work begins to the Cemetery Roadway on the 12th October and the Cemetery will be closed until at least the 22nd October. Cllr Johnson will ensure the gates are locked once the equipment has been delivered & the contractors will be given the keys. The Clerk confirmed that signage was up around the village, it had also been circulated amongst the Church and on the Community fb page.

Cemetery Trees

The contractor attended the Cemetery to do the annual tree inspection, and was accompanied by Cllr Metcalf and Cllr Johnson. Some of the work can be done by the Groundskeeper – such as ringing the ivy; the contractor will advise re the hedge at the top which needs cutting, and the trees in the Churchyard can be done by us.

The trees that had been identified by neighbouring properties were given a full bill of health, and the bits the tree surgeon would not make a significant difference to the property holder. Advise was to write to the complainant and advise that they can remove branches that affect their property, to the British Standard. They must notify us before it is done. The same advice was given to the Crab Apple Tree.

Action Clerk to chase the report & quote from the Tree Surgeon, and notify the resident.

12568 Stanford Centre

Cllr Metcalf explained that since the covid pandemic and the lockdown, the Stanford Centre has seen a huge drop in income and this may mean that they cannot cover the cost of the utilities over the winter period. Whilst they have introduced additional measures to reduce energy usage, it has become clear that the Centre has lost around £4,000 in income over the last 6 months. This may mean that the money in the reserves for the Stanford Centre may be needed. Cllr James

commented that a lot of charities and groups like this had suffered over the last 6 months. Cllr Emerson commented that we need to keep the Stanford Centre.

12569 Allotments

There was nothing to report on this meeting.

12570 Correspondence

There was no correspondence for discussion. The Clerk explained there was some information from the Environment Agency and the HWRA if anyone wanted to take them to read.

12571 Any Other Business

There was nothing identified for this agenda item.

12572 Information Exchange

Cllr Turner explained that the upkeep of paths in Laceby is terrible and would like to report them to NELC. She has filled in the online form, but has not had any joy from the reports she has made. Cllr Turner asked if we can have details of all the footpaths in Laceby and PROW's.

Action Clerk to obtain details for Cllr Turner and report footpath issues along Knights Close again.

Cllr Dixon asked whether the parking on footpath in Butt Lane had been reported. The Clerk confirmed this was with the enforcement team, as with Cemetery Road issues discussed last month. Cllr Turner asked if Caistor Road outside the Hairdressers / Chinese / Pharmacy could also be recorded as an issue for blocking the footpaths.

Action Clerk to raise additional concerns through the NELC portal.

Cllr Barford asked if it was possible to get a definitive map of the boundaries for the Parish of Laceby. It was not clear where we would get this, but the Clerk will ask NELC for support.

Action Clerk to find where we get a definitive map from.

Cllr Emerson asked if the issues with the overhang of trees on signage had been reported, the Clerk confirmed these had been raised on 3/9/20.

Cllr Emerson also queried the lines of traffic on the bypass at peak times trying to get into Morrison's and McDonald's. The Clerk will follow this up with another letter explaining concerns and requesting they look to deal with the issues of queue's building.

There was nothing else identified for discussion.

The Chair confirmed the next meeting dates as:

- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 7.30pm
- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 1st December 2020 at 7.30pm
- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 5th January 2021 at 7.30pm

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed:
Chair

Dated: