

Minutes of Laceby Parish Council Finance and Planning Meeting
Held at the Stanford Centre, Cooper Lane, Laceby on Tuesday 5th October 2021 at 7.30pm

- 12762 Present:** Chair – Cllr B Metcalf
Cllr S Greenbeck, Cllr D Johnson, Cllr S Turner, Cllr R Barford, Cllr P Schofield, Cllr L Emerson, Ward Cllr Hasthorpe, Ward Cllr Hudson
- Also present:** Clerk – Nicola Ashton
3 members of the Public
- Apologies:** Cllr R James, Cllr J Dixon

The Chair opened the meeting, and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were accepted.

12763 Minutes from the 7th September 2021

Minutes from the Finance and Planning Meeting on the 7th September 2021 were put forwards for approval. Minutes were proposed by Cllr Turner and seconded by Cllr Greenbeck; 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.

12764 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

Cllr Metcalf asked if anyone had any declarations of interests or dispensations to declare. Cllr Hasthorpe requested that it be recorded that as a member of the Planning Committee, he would not be able to comment on any planning applications. The declarations of interest were accepted.

12765 Co-option of Parish Councillor

Cllr Metcalf explained that an application to become a Parish Councillor had been received from Ward Cllr Hasthorpe. Cllr Johnson proposed that Ward Cllr Hasthorpe become a member of Laceby Parish Council and Cllr Greenbeck seconded the proposal. Cllr Metcalf requested a full show of hands to agree this; this was given and Cllr Hasthorpe was welcomed to the Parish Council. Cllr Hasthorpe requested the following statement 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."

12766 Public Forum

Mike Hall was present for the Laceby Community Collective, and explained that plans to develop the group had been put on hold during covid, however things are now rolling again. The group have applied for charitable status (in May) and this came through last week, and the group are now setting up their bank accounts. The Laceby Community Collective, will be taking on the Butt Lane Pavillion, and the surrounding site, including the car park, field, bowling green and tennis courts. They are just in the process of finalising the business case for NELC, and then they can look at sources of funding. Mike also advised that they had secured a Defib for the site as well.

Mike confirmed that he was treasurer, Rachel (also present) was Secretary and that Simon Mumby was Chair.

Cllr Metcalf congratulated the group and explained it was good to hear how it has progressed, adding that the Parish Council will be happy to support the group.

Cllr Emerson asked the representatives, what the aims were. This was confirmed as sports, arts and working with the community. Rachel confirmed that she had a lot of experience working with the community and in community arts and Paula (resident) was also keen to develop this area.

Ward Cllr's Hasthorpe and Hudson both offered to help the group where needed.

12767 Matters Arising

• St Francis Grove play area

The new equipment has now been fitted, and the equipment and the wet pour surface repaired. Cllr Johnson advised that there was the walking plank to repair and an end cap missing. He also advised that someone had broken the car (again) and a resident had been and repaired it.

Cllr Greenbeck suggested that we look to move one of the little cars to another spot and put in another piece of equipment.

Action To consider and identify new piece of equipment and obtain quotes.

Cllr Metcalf advised that she had been approached by residents of St Peters Grove who expressed their concern regarding the exercise equipment we are putting in around the play area. Cllr Metcalf explained that the children are already there, and the Parish Council is hoping that this will stop the damage to the playground. It will also enable mum's to use it whilst the children play. Cllr Johnson confirmed that there seemed to be no end of petty vandalism at Victoria Park at the moment with Laceby in Bloom signs also damaged.

A member of the public suggested the Parish Council look at CCTV for the park; Cllr Metcalf confirmed this was something that we were looking to progress with. Cllr Hasthorpe advised that NELC will have a new CCTV system in place from November.

• Development at Field Head Road

At present we have not heard any further from the developers; Cllr Hasthorpe will follow this up.

• Cemetery and old Allotment Hedge Cutting

The Clerk advised that the works will be done end of October early November. The Parish Council asked that the Clerk contact the neighbours of the old allotments to advise them when the work is being completed. It was suggested we ask the contractor to end in the afternoon as when we attended on the morning last time, the neighbour was unhappy as they were on nights. Cllr Schofield also advised that we notify the Local PC following what has happened in the past.

Cllr Metcalf enquired whether NELC had responded to our request for tree surgeon. The Clerk advised that NELC could not help, but had referred us to Engie. Cllr Metcalf requested that we find an independent tree surgeon to meet us and that we get this actioned asap.

Action Clerk to contact neighbours re old allotment works & PC, and also find tree surgeon.

12768 Police Matters

The Wolds Police Newsletter was shared with those present and it was noted that there had been a lot of activity up on Arnold Close. Cllr Hasthorpe advised that he had brought up the concerns at last meeting regarding the visibility of the PCSO's. Currently, quite a few PCSO's are training to

become Police Officers. There are currently 60 PCSO's in training and the aim is to get more on the streets for that visible deterrent.

12769 Ward Councillors Report

Cllr Hudson advised that he had been contacted by residents; one resident on Caistor Road appeared to be a neighbour dispute which is a private matter. The other query was in regards to the conifers behind the houses on Harneis Crescent which are pushing through fences. Cllr Metcalf explained that the walkway behind the houses was put in so the refuse collections can take place and the conifers run down this. The residents have put the fences in front of the conifers (closer to the houses) and they were now growing through the fences; however, the conifers are the responsibility of the residents. Cllr Metcalf explained that this has been explained to the residents previously. Cllr Hudson will pass this information onto the residents again.

12770 Planning Matters

DM/0838/21/FUL – change of use of land from agriculture to allotments and sensory garden; Land adjacent to Church Cottage, Church Lane, Aylesby.

This application was discussed and the plans examined. Following discussion, it was identified that there were concerns and Cllr Barford proposed that an objection was raised in regards to the effect the plan would have on the resident's amenity. Cllr Emerson seconded this proposal and Cllr Metcalf requested a show of hands. Cllr Hasthorpe abstained, and all other Councillors present agreed with the objection.

Action Clerk to advise NELC Planning.

12771 Finance Matters

Payments for authorisation

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

Salaries x 3 members of staff for Oct 2021	£1,507.18
HMRC – Salaries Oct 2021	£288.27
Chairs Allowance – Sept 2021	£20.00
Clerks Telephone Line Rental	£23.66
Cemetery Waste Sept/Oct 2021	£41.86
Groundskeeper Petty Cash	£42.01
Clerk Petty Cash	£31.99
Clerk Mileage 1/4/21 – 30/9/21	£46.85
St Francis Grove new playground equipment	£4335.24
St Francis Grove repairs to equipment and flooring	£5408.57
Gravedigger	£240.00
Stanford Centre Hall Hire – July to September	£31.50
Skip Hire for the Cemetery	£180.00

Total	£12,197.13
--------------	-------------------

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

12772 St Francis Grove Matters

This has been discussed previously under Matters Arising.

12773 Church and Cemetery Matters

Cllr Metcalf advised that the War Memorial booklet was nearly complete with the amendments, and then it would go to the printers for checking.

Remembrance Sunday

A discussion was held regarding the donation for the RBL this year; Cllr Johnson proposed that the donation of £100 be made, and this was seconded by Cllr Greenbeck. A full show of hands confirmed all were happy with this.

The clerk advised that the first aid cover had now been confirmed with Mobile Medical Cover offering to do this at no cost. Cllr Metcalf suggested that a donation be made to the company in lieu of payment. This will be confirmed at the next meeting.

There was still a problem with marshals for the event. Cllr Metcalf advised that her son was available to marshal, Cllr Barford advised he would be available and Cllr Dixon had previously offered. Cllr Schofield questioned why the previous marshals were not being utilised; Cllr Metcalf advised that she would contact them and see if they were still able to assist.

A discussion was held regarding the siting of the lamp post poppies this year; It was agreed that this would need to be done in teams of two with Cllr's Metcalf, Barford, Hasthorpe, Greenbeck, Turner and Johnson offering to do this. It was agreed that we should start at the centre of the village & Cemetery Road and fan out, with them sited on the left-hand side of the road.

100 years RBL

Cllr Metcalf advised that the Laceby RBL had contacted her with a request to plant a tree in Laceby Cemetery to mark the 100-year anniversary of the RBL. All agreed that the tree should be a native tree, and it was suggested that the tree be placed at the top of the cemetery, in the new section. It was agreed that in principle this would be possible, and that the Councillors would go and look to identify the best location. It was agreed that an English Oak should be planted.

Christmas concert

Cllr Johnson advised that he had contacted the Salvation Army for the Christmas Concert in December, however, due to covid they were not in a position to support this year. He explained that Bob Swallow was available with his sound system to help with this.

12774 Stanford Centre

Cllr Metcalf advised that the Stanford Centre had applied to the Solar Fund for funding to update the toilets in the Centre. After speaking to Engie, the total cost of the works would be £12,500.

Cllr Metcalf explained that a lot of children were now returning to the library and through working with the school things were stating to get back to normal.

12775 Allotments

The groundsman had strimmed back the 2 allotments that had overgrown, so these can now be let. Cllr Barford had cut back the hedge – he explained that the groundsman would need to cut right to

the hedge as this had caused a few problems with cutting the hedge because it was very overgrown. Cllr Metcalf thanked Cllr Barford for cutting the hedge back.

12776 Correspondence

There was no correspondence for discussion tonight.

12777 Information Exchange

Cllr Turner advised that the Laceby sign for the turning off the A46 bypass into Laceby was now completely overgrown & the sign was no longer visible.

Action Clerk to report.

Cllr Turner advised that she had been approached by a resident who requested double yellow lines along the corner of Kenmar Road and Caistor Road so that cars do not park on the corner and block their ability to leave their drive. It was confirmed that this was not something we could do.

Cllr Hasthorpe explained that the Mayor’s Charity night out with Fish & Chip support is the 13th October and tickets were available at the Civic Office for £15.

12778 Any Other Business

The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee falls from Thursday 2nd June 2022 to Sunday 5th June 2022. There were national plans to light beacons, have town criers and also pipers to play.

All were in agreement that with VE Day not taking place, it would be nice to hold an event at the Stanford Centre; Cllr Metcalf advised that Leona (Head Teacher Stanford School) had agreed that we could also make use of the school field for the event.

The Clerk was asked to contact all the groups in the village and ask them to send one representative to help plan and deliver the event. Mike Hall from the Laceby Community Collective advised that they would like to be included. Additional support from the community & volunteers could be sought later.

It was agreed that Cllr Turner and Cllr Metcalf would represent the Parish Council. The first meeting would be Tuesday 16th November 2021 at 7.30pm at the Stanford Centre.

The Chair confirmed the next meeting dates as:

- Full Council & Planning Meeting - Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 7.30pm
- Jubilee Planning Meeting (sub-group) – Tuesday 16th November 2021 at 7.30pm
- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 7th December 2021 at 7.30pm
- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 7.30pm
- Full Council & Planning Meeting – Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 7.30pm

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed:

Chair

Dated: