Present-Cllrs. D Kentish, P Morriss, J Shorrock, Mrs S Burgoin, Clerk-Mrs R H Trollope-Bellew, D.Cllr Barry Dobson.

Member of Public – 1 member

020/23 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN & VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr Susan Burgoin & seconded by Cllr Morriss that Cllr Kentish be elected as chairman. All agreed. Cllr Kentish signed the declaration of office.

- It was proposed by Cllr Kentish & seconded by Cllr Shorrock that Cllr Morriss be elected as Vice-chairman. All agreed. Cllr Morriss signed the declaration of office.
- 021/23 CHAIRMANS REMARKS-CIIr Kentish welcomed everyone and thanked them for their continued support. CIIr Kentish congratulated CIIr Dobson on his re-election back to South Kesteven District Council & updated Councillors on the meeting taking place at Peterborough in regard to the Mallard Pass Solar farm application.
- 022/23 <u>CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR</u> due to an uncontested election on 4th May 2023. Clerk reported that there had been no applications to join therefore the item would be placed onto the agenda for the next meeting. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**
- 023/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & REASONS GIVEN- None
- 024/23 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>:- Cllr Susan Burgoin on item 026/23 a)iv & v personal interest as treasurer of St Faiths PCC.
- 025/23 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING It was proposed by Cllr. Shorrock & seconded by Cllr. Morriss that the minutes of the last meetings be received as a true record. It was resolved that Cllr Kentish sign the minutes. All agreed.

026/23 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Payment-

i.	Mr C S Harris-community cleaner-2months	£177.14
ii.	Mr CS Harris-verge contractor	£150.00
iii.	Zurich Town & Parish-annual insurance	£176.21
iv.	St Faiths PCC-Hire of church for pc meeting	£20.00
٧.	St Faiths PCC-Grant towards churchyard maintenance	£300.00
vi.	St Margarets PCC-Grant churchyard maintenance	£300.00
vii.	R Trollope-Bellew – clerk 2mths S/order	£245.04

It was proposed by Cllr Morriss & seconded by Cllr Shorrock to pay items i - vi. All agreed.

The clerk reported VAT for last financial year had been reclaimed - £168.49 & precept for year 2023/24 £2943.00 had been received. Balance in accounts = £5,913.73.

- b) It was proposed by Cllr Kentish and seconded by Cllr Mrs Susan Burgoin to approve the Certificate of Exemption for smaller authorities where the gross income/expenditure did not exceed £25,000. All agreed.
- c) It was proposed by Cllr Kentish and seconded by Cllr Morriss to approve the Internal Auditors Report 2022/23. All agreed.
- d) It was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Burgoin and seconded by Cllr Kentish to approve the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1 of the Annual Return) for the year ending 31.03.23. All agreed.

- e) It was proposed by Cllr Kentish and seconded by Cllr Morriss to approve the Accounting Statement (Section 2 of Annual Return) for the year ended 31.03.23. All agreed.
- f) It was proposed by Cllr Kentish and seconded by Cllr Morriss that the clerks' salary be back dated to 1st April 2023 from SCP5 £10.21 to SCP5 £ 11.21 x 12 hours per month. All agreed.

027/23 VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE -

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Burgoin and seconded by Cllr Shorrock that Councillors may attend the Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall plus other meetings when required. There would be no named councillor. All agreed. **Action Clerk**

028/23 STANDING ORDERS -

It was proposed by Cllr Kentish and seconded by Cllr Mrs Burgoin that the Model Standing Orders be approved. All agreed.

029/23PLANNING – No applications

030/23 <u>HIGHWAYS</u>

- 1. It was agreed to arrange a parish walkabout in June 2023 with the local highways manager. Clerk asked councillors to provide a list of concerns before the meeting. **Action Clerk/Cllrs.**
- 2. Cllr Mrs Burgoin reported that the parish dyke/culverts along the main road, Wilsthorpe had uneven levels which helped contribute to the flooding issues of previous years.
- 3. It was reported that footpaths within the parish required re-surfacing.
- 033/23 <u>VILLAGE CONCERNS</u> Manor Farm, Braceborough construction work being undertaken. **Action Clir Dobson**

034/23 CORRESPONDENCE-

Mallard Pass Action Group/Mallard Pass Solar Farm

Neighbourhood Police newsletter

Election Details

035/23 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES -

Cllr Dobson reported on the district elections which took place on 4th May and changes at South Kesteven District Council.

Finally, he thanked everyone who voted for him and being invited to attend festivities at Braceborough to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles 111 and Queen Camilla

036/23 To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session. - None

037/23 Date of next meeting – Monday 26th June 2023 at 7pm St Faiths Church, Wilsthorpe

Meeting Closed – 19.50