

The Minutes of Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Parish Council Meeting held at
Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Village Hall on 3rd December 2024 at 7pm

Present:- Cllr Kentish, Cllr Shorrocks, Cllr Burgoin, Cllr Morriss, Cllr S Collins, Clerk Rosemary Trollope-Bellew, D.Cllr Barry Dobson. C.Cllr A Baxter.

052/24 Chairmans remarks – Cllr Kentish opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and noted that there had been no application to join the Parish Council. Cllr Morriss reported that he would remain until a suitable person was appointed. All agreed.

053/24 Apologies for absence and reasons given-None.

054/24 Declarations of interest: - Cllr. Susan Burgoin, prejudicial interest Item 057/24 (d) Treasurer of St Faiths Church, Wilsthorpe.

055/24 Minutes of the last meeting – It was proposed by Cllr. Shorrocks & seconded by Cllr. Morriss that the minutes of the last meeting be received as a true record. It was resolved that Cllr Kentish sign the minutes. All agreed. **Action Cllr. Kentish.**

056/24 Matters outstanding

1. 043/24 (1) Clerk had contacted Lincolnshire County Council highways enquires on several occasions, receiving acknowledgement only. **Action C.Cllr Baxter.**
2. 048/24 (5) Clerk has placed the information relating to Deepings Patient Participation Group on the website and parish magazine.
3. 048/24 (10) Clerk and Cllr Burgoin attended the CPR and defibrillator training organised by LeisureSK. It was agreed that more residents be encouraged to attend in the future.

057/24 Finance

a. Report on Balances- Interest Ac-£ £3,041.83 +Current Ac-£1,944.13 = TOTAL=£4,985.96

b. Payment-

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| 1. C Harris - com/cleaner | £194.48 |
| 2. R H Trollope-Bellew o/s | £244.20 pd |

It was proposed by Cllr Kentish, seconded by Cllr Burgoin to pay item 2. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**

c. It was proposed by Cllr Kentish, seconded by Cllr. Burgoin to accept the quotation for cutting verges in 2025 at £90.00 per cut. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**

d. Precept 2025/26 –It was proposed by Cllr Kentish, seconded by Cllr Shorrocks to increase the parish precept by 2% from £3032 to £3093, and maintenance of church yards of St Faiths & St Margarets from £300 to £330 each. All agreed. **Action Clerk.**

e. Online banking-Clerk reported that Barry Odell had been removed as signatory and agreed that Cllr Collins would become a signatory. It was proposed by Cllr Kentish, seconded by Cllr Shorrocks to apply for online banking. **Action Clerk.**

058/24 Planning

1. S24/1879 & 1878 Delacroix House, Braceborough – retrospective guttering. **No objection.**
2. S24/1750 Install Fibre network cabinet, Wingmore, Braceborough **SK no objection.**
3. S24/1190 Manor Farm, Braceborough-retention existing summer house-repaint stone colour. **No objection.**
4. S24/1196 Nicholls, Walnut Cottage, Braceborough V.C S22/0764 Gym/Studio/Pool. **Approved 18.10.24**
5. **LATE APPLICATIONS**-None.

059/24 Highways –

1. Flooding Summit ‘How to build Resilience’ was organized by Alisia Kearns MP and attended by the clerk on behalf of the Council. Copy of report requested. **Action Clerk.**
2. Environment Agency –Councillors met with a representative of the E.A. A copy of the river survey was supplied to Councillors and that the riverbanks were the responsibility of the riparian owners.
3. Wilsthorpe –It was agreed that the suggested site of the grit bin just outside the entrance of corner cottage was not acceptable. It was agreed that this should be discussed at a site visit with highways and farmer. **Action Clerk/C.Cllr Baxter.**

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060/24 Village Concerns

1. Wilsthorpe Noticeboard. Councillors agreed in principle that Cllr Burgoin and D.Cllr Dobson liaise to obtain a grant towards the £449 required for the purchase of a new noticeboard. All agreed. **Action Cllr Burgoin/D.Cllr Dobson.**
2. Braceborough BT Kiosk proposed removal-It was reported that the box was a listed building and within a conservation area. Cllr Kentish reported that the kiosk was listing and also that it hadn't been maintained, paint work was deteriorating and door difficult to open. It was felt that BT should be responsible and that the telephone equipment should be kept in case of need by the Old Folks Home. **Action Clerk/Cllrs. – more information required.**

061/24 Correspondence

1. Deeping Community Policing Panel-permission given to place on website & circulate.
2. D.Cllr Dobson-Legend on the bench-charity that puts up benches
3. Lincolnshire County Council Town & Parish Council update-devolution, text scams, mental health support for farmers, household support grant.
4. SKDC-A design code for SK consultation-set out how buildings, streets & spaces should be in the District.
5. City Fibre-broadband to the area, contract given to Granemore Group.
6. SKDC-re-wilding – tree planting advise.
7. SKDC- Stamford Arts Centre Cinema 30 years old
8. Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Village Hall Committee-Minutes & Agendas
9. SKDC-Anti-social behaviour powers refreshed & renewed.
10. Deeping PPG – AGM 12.11.24 at Market Deeping Practice at 6.30pm.
11. SKDC-action to combat household damp/mould for SK tenants & anti-social behaviour in council properties.
12. SKDC – Xmas lights at Grantham
13. SKDC – Design code workshop invite
14. E.A. Reply to pc request from meeting -survey work on East Glen/Glen. Q&A flooding & owners responsibilities
15. SKDC-precept forms – 17.01.25

062/24 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES –

1. Cllr Dobson reported on new customer service centre at Grantham, homelessness, cost of living and welfare team, empty homes, winter fuel payment for pensioners, suicides within Lincolnshire, Greater Lincolnshire Mayoral Combined Authority and Bourne Christmas Fayre.
2. C.Cllr Baxter reported that the Flood Investigation S19 had been released, Devolution and the impact of the National Insurance increase on council finances.

063/24 To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session – None.

064/24 Date of next meeting – It was agreed that the next meeting to take place at Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Village Hall on 11th March 2025 at 7pm.

Meeting Closed 20.00.