

LILFORD CUM WIGSTHORPE THORPE ACHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 12th January 2021 via ZOOM at 8.00pm

Present: Councillors J Clarke (Chair), G Hopkinson (Vice Chair), T Wright, T Bird, S Moffat, M Healey

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Clerk), Ward Cllr G Shacklock, County Cllr W Brackenbury
1 x member of public

210.849	To receive and approve apologies for absence None received
210.850	Public participation session Representation was made by one Lilford resident seeking help from the Parish Council with issues concerning the flooding experienced in December. Unfortunately there is little the PC can do as the problem lies on land that is under the ownership of several different people and organisations. The Clerk will write to the different agencies seeking help where possible.
210.851	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. None
210.852	In response to the Covid-19 outbreak in the UK and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the council in a reasonable time, the Clerk shall have delegated authority to make decisions on behalf of the council where such decision cannot reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decisions made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations. This delegated authority ceases upon the first meeting of the council after the council meeting at which the delegation was put in place. Resolved: All in agreement
210.853	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th November 2020 Resolved: That the Chair sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting.
210.854	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only None
210.855	To receive a report from County Councillor W Brackenbury Update on Unitary Authority progress along with a warning that May 6 th elections may be postponed because of Covid.
210.856	To receive a report from District Councillor G Shacklock Suggestion that PCs, in light of the recent flooding, may wish to and may need to be more proactive on reporting potential drainage problems
210.857	To receive and approve the Balance of Accounts/Bank Reconciliation Resolved: Balance of Accounts/Bank Reconciliation approved, to be signed as correct by the Chair.

210.858	<p>To examine and approve the Bank Statements</p> <p>Resolved: Bank balance standing at £8060.69 at December 29th 2020, to be signed as correct by the Chair at a later date</p>																									
210.859	<p>To approve and authorise payment of the following invoices</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 349 1463 611"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cheque</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Item</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Power to Pay</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>100111</td> <td>N A Phillips</td> <td>Dec/Nov expenses + Jan ZOOM</td> <td>£33.76</td> <td>LGA 1972 s 111</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100112</td> <td>N A Phillips</td> <td>January Salary + 10 additional hrs worked</td> <td>£277.00</td> <td>LGA 1972 s 112</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100113</td> <td>N A Phillips</td> <td>February Salary</td> <td>£166.20</td> <td>LGA 1972 s 112</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100114</td> <td>S Moffat</td> <td>Grit bin refill</td> <td>£22.47</td> <td>LGA 2000 S19, Hways 1980 S185</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Resolved: all payments authorised. Cheques to be signed by the Chair and the Clerk.</p>	Cheque	Payee	Item	Amount	Power to Pay	100111	N A Phillips	Dec/Nov expenses + Jan ZOOM	£33.76	LGA 1972 s 111	100112	N A Phillips	January Salary + 10 additional hrs worked	£277.00	LGA 1972 s 112	100113	N A Phillips	February Salary	£166.20	LGA 1972 s 112	100114	S Moffat	Grit bin refill	£22.47	LGA 2000 S19, Hways 1980 S185
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210.860	<p>To note excess hours worked by the Clerk and to resolve how to reimburse for them</p> <p>Resolved: Hours noted, excess hours to be paid in full in March.</p>																									
210.861	<p>To consider and resolve the council's response to planning applications listed below plus any other planning applications advised by East Northamptonshire Council and available on its website between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting.</p> <p>Lilford Wigsthorpe Thorpe Achurch Parish Council shares NCC Highways serious concerns over the access and egress to the site both via the A605, but also via the Thorpe/Achurch road. With little or no information on the amount of traffic movement being given, along with the potential risk to those entering and exiting the site as well as to traffic travelling along the A605 LWTA PC feels it has no alternative but to object to this application.</p> <p>Lilford Wigsthorpe Thorpe Achurch Parish Council has no objections to this application.</p>																									
210.862	<p>To note planning decisions made by ENC</p> <p>None received</p>																									
210.863	<p>To resolve to develop a neighbourhood Plan to cover the settlements of Lilford, Wigsthorpe, Thorpe Achurch</p> <p>Resolved: Not to develop a Neighbourhood Plan at present but to keep under review</p>																									
210.864	<p>To discuss issues concerning Highways/Rights of Way, to include drainage of Aldwincle Road Thorpe, also the state of the raised footpath between Thorpe and Aldwincle and to resolve what action to be taken.</p> <p>Concerns were raised by Cllr Wright as to the condition of the raised walkway along the Thorpe/Aldwincle Road which is impassable in places due to overgrown vegetation, rotten and uneven planks and missing planks meaning that pedestrians were unable to negotiate the road during the recent flooding. Also issues with drainage on Aldwincle Road. Cllr Wright pointed out that the raised walkway was considered by some to be something of a heritage asset being fairly unique to the area as well as a public footway.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Wright to forward photo of problems to Clerk who will report in the first instance via FixMyStreet/StreetDoctor.</p>																									
210.865	<p>To receive an update on the current situation concerning access to Waterville</p>																									

	<p>Lakes and to resolve what action if any to be taken</p> <p>The Land Agent representing the landowner has replied to correspondence and requested that Aldwinckle PC be the point of contact for this issue, the Clerk has requested that Aldwinckle PC let her know of any developments but has heard nothing yet.</p> <p>Resolved: Clerk to contact Aldwinckle PC again and to write to the land agent again if necessary.</p>
210.866	<p>To note the response to the request made to the landowners concerning access via the private road leading from the A605 into Lilford</p> <p>The Land Agent representing the landowner has replied to correspondence and stated that there is no public right of way for either vehicles or walkers along this private road.</p> <p>Resolved: That LWTA PC has done all that it can on behalf of residents with this matter and should now consider it closed.</p>
210.867	<p>To receive an update from Lilford residents on progress to install a defibrillator, and to resolve what action if any to be taken.</p> <p>Resolved: £100 grant money from Ward Cllr Shacklock's members empowerment fund held in PC account will be forwarded to the organiser on receipt of a copy of the invoice or purchase order for the cabinet.</p>
210.868	<p>To receive an update on the proposal to carry out work on the church lych gate, and to resolve what action if any to be taken.</p> <p>The order for the replacement gates has been placed with installation due before the end of March. The cost to be met by a generous benefactor.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Hopkinson thanked for his work on this item.</p>
210.869	<p>To receive an update on the repairs to the Lilford noticeboard</p> <p>Noticeboard construction delayed due to carpenter working on fire damaged property but should be completed by the end of March.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Moffat to continue to liaise with carpenter.</p>
210.870	<p>To review the plan to carry out work to Council assets.</p> <p>Weather has prevented work being carried out.</p> <p>Resolved: To review at the May meeting.</p>
210.871	<p>To resolve to accept a quote for the repainting of the Achurch and Wigsthorpe phone boxes</p> <p>Quotes for £480 and £850 received.</p> <p>Resolved: To accept the quote from M Draper for £480, Clerk to instruct work to take place.</p>
210.872	<p>To receive feedback from Cllr Hopkinson on the JAG meeting of October 7th 2020</p> <p>Cllr Hopkinson was unable to attend the meeting but hopes to be present for the next meeting on January 28th when local priorities for the first quarter of 2021 will be set.</p> <p>Resolved: Cllrs to send suggestions for local priorities to Cllr Hopkinson.</p>
210.873	<p>To adopt the Members Allowances Policy.</p> <p>Resolved: Approved and adopted.</p>

210.874	<p>To receive feedback on the possible effects the new town/parish councils might have on this parish council</p> <p>The Clerk reported back that there is a feeling that the status of Town/Parish Council could be enhanced by the creation of the new councils will the possibility of some services being devolved to those councils that wish to take them on.</p>
210.875	<p>To resolve to produce a newsletter for circulation to all residents</p> <p>Resolved: That the Clerk produces a newsletter for distribution to all households. Cllrs requested to send any items they might have of interest to the Clerk for inclusion.</p>
210.876	<p>To appoint a Police Liaison Representative to act as a single point of contact with Northamptonshire Police</p> <p>Resolved: Cllr Healey appointed as PLR, Clerk to inform the relevant authority.</p>
210.877	<p>To resolve what steps to be taken to reduce the incidents of fly-tipping</p> <p>Resolved: That the Clerk contacts ENC Environmental Service to request signage warning that fly-tippers will be prosecuted are erected at locations worse affected.</p>
210.878	<p>To consider whether LWTA PC wishes to produce an emergency plan to cover flooding and other events and to resolve what action to be taken.</p> <p>Resolved: That residents are encouraged to give consideration to what they might need to do in the case of an emergency. Clerk to include relevant information in the newsletter.</p>
210.879	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>1) Notification of housing needs study for Tresham Garden Village</p> <p>Resolved: No action needed</p>
210.880	<p>To confirm the date of the next meeting as 9th March 2021</p> <p>Resolved: Date confirmed. Meeting to be held via ZOOM unless situation at time dictates otherwise</p>
210.881	<p>To close the meeting</p> <p>The meeting closed at 21.56</p>

Signed:

Dated: