# Wragby Parish Council

# MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2020

# IN THE ANNEX OF WRAGBY TOWN HALL AT 7.15pm

# **MINUTES**

Present: Cllrs Mrs Cripps (Chairman), Mrs Z. Dalby, Mrs J. Martin, D. Moorby and R. Watts

Also present: Clerk - L Blankley, ELDC Councillor Mrs Platt, and eighteen members of the public.

## Public Forum

Members of the public spoke to express their concerns regarding the development on Planning Application S/216/00335/19 - Land to south of Horncastle Road which included:

- The 50% increase in proposed dwellings over that won on appeal against a refusal by ELDC and Objections from the Parish Council.
- Anglian Water issuing a 'Red Alert' regarding sewage in the village.
- Misinterpretation of there being 'spare capacity' in the sewage system referring to numbers per household and not to additional dwelling capacity. Cumulative impact on the system from other proposed developments.
- Two storey dwellings out of keeping with the adjacent property mix on a main approach to the village.
- Poor transport links for the village with plans including school buses and supermarket specific provision.
- Limited retail provision particularly food supplies when 31% of children at the local primary school are entitled to free school meals.
- Use of a Greenfield site when Brown Field sites are available such as Millbrook estate with infrastructure and approval already in place.
- Site within Flood zones which can be evidenced
- Traffic volume on A158 Horncastle Road

ELDC Cllr Mrs Platt confirmed that the next Planning Committee that the application could be considered at would be 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 at which representations could be made.

- 216. Chairman's Welcome and Opening Remarks. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 217. Apologies for absence On a proposal by Cllr Watts, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council that the apologies and reasons given by Cllr Calderbank were accepted. Apologies from LCC Cllr Mrs Bradwell and PCSO Wass were noted.
- 218. Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest.
- 219. Change of Order of Business On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to change the order of business to discuss Planning Applications next.
- 220. Planning Applications

The following consultations were discussed:

a. S/216/00185/20 -Railroad Filling Station, Horncastle Road - Outline erection of a detached house with single garage/carport - on a proposal by Cllr Mrs Dalby, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to SUPPORT the application.

- b. S/216/00335/19 Land to south of Horncastle Road Erection of 147no. dwellings, means of enclosure, siting of gas storage tanks and a pumping station, construction of internal roads and construction of vehicular accesses - on a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Mrs Dalby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to once again STRONGLY OBJECT to the application in support of residents. The Parish Council backed all of the stances shown in the Public Forum in addition to those already submitted to the original application.
- c. S/216/00287/20 Former Cattle Market, Market Place Planning Permission - Erection of 1 no. pair of semi-detached houses with a Cartshed vehicular parking structure - on a proposal by Cllr Dalby to Object to the application which was not supported it was agreed to SUPPORT the application 3 votes to Support, 1 to Object and 1 abstention.

## 221. Minutes

On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Dalby, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to authorise the notes as the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020.

- 222. To receive the Clerk's report on any matters outstanding from the last Council Meeting:
  - a. Minute 43 Bus stop post replacement awaiting LCC response.
  - b. Minute 95 to arrange Parish Meeting for Planning pending.
  - c. Minute 118 English Heritage Site improvements pending.
  - d. Minute 154 Amp / Microphone / Mixer
  - e. Minute 167 Henry Mawer Charity to be future agenda item.
  - f. Minute 193 Annual Parish Meeting on agenda
  - g. Minute 195a Christmas Lights to be checked
  - h. Minute 195b Emergency Planning rescheduled date awaited
  - i. Minute 196b 20mph request to LCC Cllr Mrs Bradwell
  - j. Minute 197 quotes to be sought when surface water improves
  - k. Minute 198 Tree response awaited from ELDC regarding protected status before quotes sought.
  - I. Minute 199 ELDC response awaited regarding Toilets and Market Place
  - m. Minute 202 response awaited from Lincolnshire Co-op
  - n. Minute 212a National Events enquiries in progress
- 223. To receive the Clerk's update on correspondence received since the last Council Meeting:
  - a. LALC Newsletter distributed
  - b. Routine Invoices
  - c. Cemetery Memorial applications
  - d. Highway faults reporting / confirmations
  - e. Lincoln Road Hedge no action to be taken satisfactory
  - f. Silver Street Sunken Drain Cover no action to be taken
  - g. Fly tipping reporting
  - h. Community Lincs / ELDC Age Friendly Audit of Wragby
  - i. VE Day 75 responses and queries re invitation to meeting
  - j. Planning Applications & resident's communications
  - k. Primary School grant handover arrangements
  - I. Invoices for services received Barney Group PC etc
  - m. Cemetery tree damage
- 224. Co-option / Election

The Clerk reported that there had been no applications for the vacancies.

- 225. Annual Parish Meeting
  - a. Councillors noted that the Annual Parish Meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 at 7pm when grant cheques will be presented

and community groups promote their organisations. Additional speakers to be confirmed.

- b. On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Dalby, seconded by Cllr Watts it was RESOLVED by vote of the Council to approve that the booking form and payment can be completed for the hall by the clerk.
- c. On a proposal by Cllr Watts, seconded by Cllr Mrs Dalby it was further RESOLVED to approve a donation of £50 to Wragby WI for refreshments.

## 226. Meeting Dates 2020/21

On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by vote of the Council to approve schedule of meeting dates for Council Year 20/21. Cllr Mrs Martin was absent from the room for some of the discussion.

- 227. Report from Parish Meeting
  - a. VE75 Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Councillors received a report that had also been circulated to those present at the meeting. On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Dalby, seconded by Cllr Moorby delegated authority was given to the Chairman and Clerk to arrange for payments to the total sum of £300 allocated for the event to be committed to.
- 228. Discretionary Rate relief

Councillors considered a request for discretionary rate relief by LCVYS (Reload) and on a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to support the request and to delegate authority to the clerk to sign documents accordingly.

- 229. Road and Pedestrian Safety
  - a. Councillors received Reactive Speed Sign Data and were disappointed with the volume of traffic which was recorded as being over the 30mph speed limit totalling 44% on the approach to the Primary School. This data has been passed to the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership.
  - b. The Clerk reported that Cllr Mrs Bradwell had been unable to secure a date for the work to crossings in the village other than it would be in the next financial year.

#### 230. Cemetery -

- a. There have been no burials or reservations since the last meeting
- b. The Clerk reported that the waterlogging of the Cemetery was considerably worse following the wettest February on record. She had delayed obtaining contractor's quotes until the land dried out as they could not access the area. Advice would be sought to establish if a lagoon area could be created to receive excess water as there was no obvious route for this currently. It was thought that grave diggers had disposed of spoil in the past into the drainage areas. Spoil is now removed via the skip.

#### 231. Work to Trees

- a. The Clerk reported that she was awaiting further advice from the Trees Officer at ELDC regarding protection to trees at Dove Park and at the Cemetery.
- b. On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Mrs Dalby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote to approve an emergency payment of £400 plus VAT for the removal of tree damaged by recent storms - 14<sup>th</sup> February inspected and noted that some chippings have been retained for use within the cemetery.
- 232. Handyman Services

Councillors noted that Bardney Group Parish Council have given required notice to reduce availability of handyman services from one day per week March to October to  $\frac{1}{2}$  day per week or preferably 1 day per 2 weeks. On a proposal by Cllr Mrs Cripps, seconded by Cllr Martin and RESOLVED by vote of the Council to agree to

the change to amend the SLA and delegated authority to the Clerk to investigate what work could be allocated to the current grass cutting Contractor at additional cost.

#### 233. Income and Expenditure

- a. To receive and approve the Schedule of Payments
  - i. dated 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 on a proposal by Cllr Mrs Dalby, seconded by Cllr Moorby it was RESOLVED by unanimous vote of the Council to approve payments to the value of £1967.92

Payment Date	Cheque No	Payee	Description	VAT	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
24/02/2020	821	Bardney Group Parish Council	Machinery Maintenance SO10512		£36.39	
24/02/2020	821	Bardney Group Parish Council	Machinery Maintenance SO10507		£27.00	
24/02/2020	821	Bardney Group Parish Council	Handyman Jan / Feb SO104514		£216.47	
24/02/2020	821	Bardney Group Parish Council	Fuel for machinery		£4.40	£284.26
24/02/2020	822	Mrs L Blankley	Clerk's Salary		£622.80	£622.80
24/02/2020	823	HM Revenue and Customs only 475PA00153259	Salary Employers / Ees		£175.86	£175.86
24/02/2020	824	J Major Paddock Care and Maintenance	Emergency work	£80.00	£480.00	£480.00
27/02/2020	DD	MKS Groundcare Ltd	Grass Cutting 9/36	£67.50	£405.00	£405.00
			TOTAL	£147.50	£1,967.92	£1,967.92

# 234. Budget Monitoring Report

Councillors noted the Budget Monitoring Report and Bank Reconciliation as at 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

#### 235. Internal Control Reviews update

On a proposal by Cllr Moorby, seconded by Cllr Mrs Cripps it was RESOLVED by vote of the Council to approve that assurances could be given to the following Internal Controls:

- a. To ensure that all of the Council's policies and procedures comply with all relevant legislation and prescribed good practice.
- b. To ensure that all Councillors are aware of their responsibilities (and possible liabilities) and to provide adequate insurance cover for all approved risks.
- c. To ensure that, wherever possible the Council seeks to influence other organisations (including central government, other local authorities etc) to meet its own requirements and to fulfil the requirements of the residents.
- d. To ensure that all charges are regularly reviewed, that the Council receives all income due and that all possible sources of income are explored.
- e. To ensure that all payments made from the council are paid in accordance with the Council's Financial Regulation, i.e., they are proper payments and represent good value for money.
- f. To ensure that the Council's priorities are regularly reviewed.
- g. To ensure that the annual precept requirements results from an effective budget preparation process.
- h. To ensure all assets are identified, appropriately valued and are subject to effective maintenance and safety checks.
- i. To ensure that accurate, up to date and appropriate accounting records are maintained throughout the financial year.
- 236. To consider items for the next Meeting: Update on VE Day
- 237. Dates of next Meetings: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April Annual Parish Meeting.
- 238. Close of Meeting 21.02hrs

Chairman.....

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