

# Skerne and Wansford Parish Council



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Minutes of a meeting of the Skerne and Wansford Parish Council, which was held in the Wansford Village Hall on Tuesday July 16 2013 at 7.30pm .

- 1 **Present:** Councillors Ian Lamble, Jackie Dobson, Sue Waites, Bryan Hills, Lynn Stockwell, Marian Terry and Neil Robson.
- 2 **Apologies:** Coun Mark Padgett and ERYC ward councillors Jane Evison and Jonathan Owen.
- 3 **Chairman's declaration of acceptance of office:** Coun Lamble signed the declaration and thanked members for re-electing him to office.
- 4 **To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on May 21 2013 as a true and correct record:** Accepted and signed. Proposed Coun Hills seconded Coun Dobson.
- 5 **Mrs Lynn Stockwell to sign Acceptance of Office of a councillor and Code of Conduct:** Duly signed. Coun Lamble welcomed Coun Stockwell to the parish council.
- 6 **Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:** None
- 7 **Public session:** No members of the public present.
- 8 **To dispose of any business remaining from the previous meeting and, if necessary, decide on a course of action:**
  - i Wansford enhancement scheme: to be abandoned because of apparent lack of interest. However Coun Stockwell indicated that she was happy to plant up the area around the Wansford bus shelter.
  - ii Newsletter – next issue: timing/ideas for content: September, after the parish council meeting. It was decided to try and organise a working party of villagers to tidy up the canal side area and the bus shelter area. This to be publicised in the newsletter.
  - iii Parish cluster meeting on June 13 2013. Clerk and vice-chairman said it had been a useful meeting gaining an insight into other parish's problems. They had been informed that the ERYC-instigated proposal to move the hedge at the Haven had now been dismissed as a non-starter for legal reasons. Potholes on the bend at West End, Skerne, were to be dealt with using new methods. Similar issues highlighted in parish liaison meeting on May 20.
  - iv Salt bins, rock salt and unused portion of grant – to be dealt with at 12 vii & viii
  - v Cutting back of bushes between Mill Croft and Chapel Lane: dealt with under 12vi
  - vi Noted: Standing Orders (on website) had been amended in line with resolution 287 7(a) May 21 2013 meeting.
- 9 **Planning decisions and appeals**
  - i **Note: 10/00456/PLF** –Construction of new field access (renewal of full planning permission) at land east of 2 Main Street, Skerne, for J H Dixon & Son. **Granted. 13/01319/PLB** Listed building consent for the installation of two timber framed windows in front elevation of Eagle Inn, Skerne. Applicant, Angus Naylor. **Granted. DC/12/04866/PLF/EASTNN. Appeal** against refusal re erection of wind turbine, height to hub 35m, height to blade tip 61m at land north west of Spring Farm, Skerne. Applicant, Harmony Energy
- 10 **Finance**
  - i Noted: bank reconciliation and receipts and payments account for the year to June 30 2013

- ii Skerne and Wansford Diamond Jubilee Fund. **Agreed:** that the clerk should contact the funds-holder to request the excess using £180 to support the Wansford noticeboard local grants fund application and ring-fencing the remainder for any other minor community scheme that may arise, thus winding up the fund.

#### 11 Administration

- i **Noted:** Finally, the HMR&I had accepted that, currently, the parish council did not need to be involved in the PAYE Real Time Information scheme.

#### 12 Correspondence

- i **Noted:** Wansford Village Hall Committee agreement that any new noticeboard could be sited on its boundary. However the application to Lissett Wind Farm fund had not been successful.
- ii **Noted:** ERYC – Flood Liaison Group meeting on May 31
- iii **Noted:** RES Ltd – Proposed wind farm on land south of Skerne and East of Hutton Cranswick. Clerk attended preview meeting on Thursday July 4. A full planning application was expected later in the year.
- iv **Noted:** Lissett Community Windfarm annual review meeting.
- v **Noted:** Humberside Fire and Rescue – invitation to operational efficiency programme engagement sessions.
- vi **Noted:** ERYC – Village Taskforce Walkabout on Thursday July 4. Schedule circulated.
- vii **Resolved:** That the clerk submit an application form requesting that the unused portion of the ERYC rock salt grant may be rolled over. Proposed Coun Hills, seconded Coun Terry.
- viii **Resolved:** That an application for ERYC Parish Grants funding for 2013-2014 for a Wansford noticeboard should be made, highlighting the contribution from the Diamond Jubilee fund.
- ix **Noted:** James Brennand, Skerne Church treasurer – e-mail acknowledging receipt of grant
- x **Noted:** Wansford Village Hall Committee – acknowledgement of receipt of grant

#### 13 Matters requested by councillors

- i **Agreed:** Coun Waites to have a chat with the owners of Beechcroft and the former Eagle, Skerne, re overgrown hedges.
- ii **Installation of gully to stop flooding outside Newholme, Skerne. Dealt with in 12vi.**
- iii **Agreed:** Clerk to write again to Dave England re extension of 30mph speed limit on Wansford Road, Skerne, in view of new field access (9i).

**14 Highways: Agreed:** That the clerk to write to Trevor Appleton re the footpath from the stile in the Parks Field to the Nafferton Beck bank, which had not been clearly defined.

#### 15 Training

- i **Resolved:** That the clerk could attend the SLCC Training Day on September 15, should the subject be appropriate. Details to be finalised, cost about £20. Proposed Coun Harrison, seconded Coun Terry.

**16 Other correspondence: Noted:** ER News; ERNLLCA newsletters, Glasdon products, Zurich Insurance, etc.

#### 17 To receive reports from representatives:

- i **Parish Council liaison meeting May 20 and Parish cluster meeting on June 13 2013,** attended by clerk and vice-chairman. Dealt with in 8iii.
- ii **Feoffees,** Coun Harrison reported on a collaboration between Nafferton Parish Council and Feoffees regarding a sports-based community facility at the Nafferton Recreation Club, which was in difficulties and had turned to the Nafferton PC for help. Wansford people were being urged to support the facility. An extension to the Feoffees university bursary scheme was being launched for college students and apprentices. **Agreed:** Caroline Harrison would seek more information about both projects for the September newsletter.
- iii **Navigation:** Coun Robson reported that the Navigation Trust had been informed by the Environment Agency that it would no longer be cutting weed, etc on the canals and waterways and was requesting parish council help in trying to overturn this decision. **Agreed:** The clerk to write to the EA requesting clarification on this and move on from there.

**18 Items for next agenda:** None

**19 Date of next meeting:** September 17 at 7.30pm at Wansford Village Hall.