

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 November 19 2013 at 7pm .

1 **Present:** Councillors Mark Padgett, Sue Waites, Bryan Hills, Jackie Dobson, Lynn Stockwell, Neil Robson and chairman Ian Lambie.

2 **Apologies:** Coun Caroline Harrison and ERY ward councillors Jane Evison and Jonathan Owen. Coun Marian Terry sent her apologies and her resignation as she is to move out of Skerne imminently. The chairman would write to thank her for her hard work and many years' service to the village.

3 **Public session:** At this point the meeting was suspended for Peter Hirschfeld, Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council rural energy advice project officer to give a presentation on oil bulk-buying collectives and take questions. There were nine members of the public present. Immediately after the public session the meeting resumed.

4 **Declarations of interests: None**

5 **Resolved:** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on September 16 2013 as a true and correct record: Proposed Coun Hills, seconded Coun Dobson.

6 **To dispose of any business remaining from the previous meeting and, if necessary, decide on a course of action:**

- i Canal bank clean-up: It had been a good day and the area was much tidier,
- ii Local Grant Fund application for noticeboard – £789.58 granted. **Resolved:** To accept agreement with ERYC re grant terms and conditions. Proposed Coun Hills, seconded Coun Padgett. **Resolved:** Chairman to sign end of project form for submission when the noticeboard was in place. Proposed Coun Waites, seconded Coun Hills. Members deferred a discussion about provision of a plaque acknowledging ERYC's financial input into noticeboard until the next meeting.
- iii Newsletter – early December. Various ideas floated.
- iv **Noted:** Carbon Capture consultation
- v Jubilee funds – £41.94 in hand. Deferred to January meeting.
- vi **Noted:** Yorkshire Ambulance Service representatives Neil Marsay and Patricia Kilner would be consulted re change of date concerning their presentation on the provision of community defibrillators at the January meeting.

7 **Finance**

- i **Resolved:** To accept the budget. Proposed Coun Dobson, seconded Coun Stockwell.
- ii Precept for 2014-2015: this could not be set until after the ERYC budget meeting in December. **Agreed:** To defer until January meeting, which would be brought forward a week to meet ERYC deadlines.
- iii **Received:** Bank reconciliation
- iv **Resolved:** To authorise payment of insurance renewal, £274.13. Proposed Coun Hills, seconded Coun Padgett.
- v **Resolved:** To make application for grit/salt grant of £312 – clerk to check underspend figures. Proposed Coun Hills, seconded Coun Padgett.
- vi Diamond Jubilee committee funds. Dealt with.

8 **Planning: Noted:** 13/02876/PLF Erection of two storey extension to rear following demolition of original extension at conservatory to rear of Yew Tree Cottage, Skerne, for Mr Adam Legget had been granted.

9 Administration

- i **Resolved:** To adopt Health and Safety Policy. Proposed Coun Padgett, seconded Coun Dobson.
- ii **Resolved:** To adopt Equalities and Diversity Policy. Proposed Coun Dobson, seconded Coun Stockwell.

10 Training

- i **Resolved:** Clerk could attend SLCC training course at South Cave on December 10 at £20, if able. Proposed Coun Padgett, seconded Coun Hills.

11 Correspondence

- i **Noted:** ERYC Emergency Planning: Table-top exercise in implementing emergency plan.
- ii **Noted:** ERYC: Simplified Code of Conduct and Seven Principles of Public Life
- iii **Noted:** ERYC: Parish selected for trial of scheme to increase level of enforcement against dog fouling.
- iv **Noted:** Driffield Canal Partnership: Yorkshire Wildlife Trust survey re footpath from Whinhill to Wansford.
- v **Noted:** E-mail from Coun Jane Evison re ERYC's timetable for provision to villages. Defer to next agenda for more details from Coun Evison.
- vi **Noted:** Save Our Ferriby Action Group – request for support to hold planning inquiries more locally.
- vii ERYC: Rough Sleeper Estimate 2013. A nil return would be sent.
- viii War Memorials Trust: The villages' war memorials belonged to the two churches and were in good condition. First World War centenary to go on next agenda.
- ix **Agreed:** That ERYC suggestion re electronic planning consultation was not suitable for smaller parish councils.
- x **Agreed:** To decline Driffield School's request for Twilight Bus Service grant as this only covered one of the villages.
- xi **Noted:** ERYC Tackling Anti-Social Behaviour statistics and Playing Safely In The Snow
- xii **Noted:** RWE npower renewables' drop in day, Cass Hall, Saturday November 30 10.30am-4pm re Cottam Airfield Wind Farm.

12 **Highways:** Coun Waites mentioned that the lower branches of a tree outside Well House had not been trimmed sufficiently to aid motorists; potholes outside the Glen and Newholme, West End, Skerne had not been dealt with. A gully was urgently needed outside Newholme in interests of road safety. There was a gully outside the Glen, but there was no problem with standing water there. These matters to be raised in Streetscene Satisfaction Survey.

13 **Noted:** Other correspondence - ERNLLCA newsletters, East Riding Parish News, etc

14 **To receive reports from representatives:** Coun Robson had been to a Driffield Navigation meeting. Nothing concerning Wansford had arisen.

15 **Items for next agenda:** Several already mentioned.

16 **Parish council dinner:** Saturday January 25, clerk to arrange.

17 **Date and time of next meeting:** January 14 2014 - to be preceded at 7pm by Neil Marsay, of Yorkshire Ambulance Service who will give a short presentation on community defibrillators, should he be available on the revised date. March meeting date would also be offered.