

LAXTON AND MOORHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7.30 pm on Monday 23 April 2024 2024 at Laxton Visitor Centre Nottinghamshire

Present: Councillors:

S.Hill (chair)
J. Hill
M.Hennell
R. Creighton
S,Rose
D. Sheard

In attendance at parish council meeting

C. Wilson (Clerk)

		ACTION
LMPC/47/24	Apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mrs Moorhouse. Mr Pringle had also sent apologies. There were no other absences.	
LMPC/48/24	Declarations of interest: There were no declarations of interest, direct or indirect, in any items of business on the agenda.	
LMPC/49/24	Dispensations: None required.	
LMPC/50/24	10 Minutes public speaking: No public present.	
LMPC/51/24	Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 21 March 2024: Deferred to May 2024 meeting.	Agenda
LMPC/52/24	Matters arising: Deferred to May 2024 meeting.	Agenda
LMPC/53/24	Reports from district and county councillors: None present	
LMPC/53/24	<p>Reports from councillors: Mr Sheard updated the council on;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The litter pick. Councillors agreed that the event should be annual and arranged a year in advance. 2. The outcome of his communications with the Internal Drainage Board. The clerk will contact NCC Highways/Via regarding ownership of a particular area of land in the parish. 3. The role of RCAN and the support which it would be able to offer the village hall committee if the council were to join. It was note that Mr Sheard was a member of the committee and therefore had an interest in any discussion. He did not participate further. <p>Councillors discussed the matter and decided that the clerk should invite an RCAN representative to speak at the forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p>Mr S Hill reported that he had been unable to attend the most recent SNG meeting which had discussed the A 616 junction lay out at Caunton following a recent serious accident and lorries parking at Cromwell.</p>	

<p>LMPC/54/24</p>	<p>Property matters including sports field, lease and pavilion and Glebe Field matters (if any): Councillors had met informally to consider the outcome of the clerk's research into the circumstances in which the pavilion had been constructed and the contents of, in particular the 2010 and 2011 minutes.</p> <p>They agreed that the council's minutes from the relevant period and lease document clearly demonstrated that the pavilion was the property of the council and that the committee was independent of the council. Mr Rose confirmed that he had spoken with Mr Manning of the committee to explain the position.</p> <p>Councillors discussed the next steps and agreed that the next step to regularise the position and meet the terms of the lease would be to request the Thoresby Estate's consent for the council, as tenant, to sub-let the field to the Sports Field Committee.</p> <p>The clerk formally confirmed the contents of the insurance proposal for the Pavilion and premium in the sum of £108.02. The councillors approved the arrangements.</p> <p>Councillors noted that the tenants of Glebe Field had been undertaking some maintenance of the hedge. They also agreed to the removal of the rabbit guards.</p>	
<p>LMPC/55/24</p>	<p>Planning matters:</p> <p>a. Applications: 24/00206/FUL - Installation of 36 Panel Ground mounted Solar System. The Holdings Moorhouse Road Moorhouse Newark On Trent NG23 6LU –Councillors discussed the application noting that the panels would not be visible to anyone other than the occupiers. They decided unanimously to support the proposal.</p> <p>b. To note planning decisions by NSDC:</p> <p>i. 23/02039/FUL Remove the existing roof structure and replace the damaged rafters and wallplates and replace concrete footings under the load bearing wall - Church Farm High Street Laxton NG22 0NX- Approval noted</p> <p>ii. 23/02107/OUT - New dwelling (access reserved) - Toad Lane, Laxton – Refusal noted</p> <p>c. Great North Road Solar Park – Consultation and update – Councillors noted that there had been a number of tweaks to the proposal in relation to Moorhouse. They would await the survey results. They also considered the developer's offer to address them in relation to the Community Benefit Scheme and agreed that it would be premature at this time.</p> <p>d. Compliance: No matters raised.</p>	
<p>LMPC/56/24</p>	<p>Parish council use of social media: Councillors discussed the draft code of practice and agreed that this should be adapted by the clerk as she considered appropriate. They also considered the advantages of a Facebook presence and required safeguards. They decided that the clerk should create a Facebook page for the council to disseminate information only. All councillors will have editing rights to be exercised in accordance with the code of practice but the public will have no scope to post or comment.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>LMPC/57/24</p>	<p>Defibrillator: Councillors noted that the funding applications had not been successful and circumstances in which the application for Department of Social Security funding had not succeeded and a potential alternative source identified.</p>	
<p>LMPC/58/24</p>	<p>Financial matters: Accounts for payment: Councillors unanimously approved six payments totalling £451.59. Councillors noted that Mr Pringle had offered a contribution to the purchase of two new dog bins. They authorised the clerk to place the order.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

LMPC/59/24	5 minutes public speaking time: There was discussion of a beacon for the D Day memorial. The chair had yet to speak with the Dovecote. The clerk confirmed that the Christmas event has been noted as an agenda item for the July and September 2024 agendas. Mrs Creighton gave her apologies for both meetings on 28 May 224.	
LMPC/60/23	Agenda items for next meeting: See above	
LMPC/61/22	Date of next meeting: 7.30 pm Tuesday 28 May 2024 at Laxton Village Hall	

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm