

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN UPSALL ROOM, KIRTON TOWN HALL,  
KIRTON ON THURSDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018.**

**Present:** Councillors: D Danby – Chairman  
Councillors: S Ransome – Vice Chairman (late), R Bemrose, I Turner, P Watson, M Hannay, D Smith, C Rylott, C Brotherton, C Sharp, R Foster, M Brookes (County) and Cllr A Austin (County)  
Also Present: Mrs B Buttery – Clerk of the Council  
8 residents  
PCSO Williams

**Public Forum**

4 residents came to object to the planning application B/18/0500. (Cllr Rylott at this point declared an interest (see minute 188/18 for full declaration)). The main reason was that the residents all have it in their deeds that no businesses can operate from the dwellings. They believe this applies to the whole of the road. The other objections were that the road is unsuitable for HGVs (Highways sign to this effect backs this up) plus the building will be built at the rear of one resident's bungalow with a direct view into the rear of her property removing privacy.  
(Cllr Ransome arrived).

The residents were told by the Chairman that they must object directly to Planning at the Borough too, which they confirmed that they had done.

Two residents came to inform members that the Methodist Church has received a legacy and is using the money to update the building to enable its use all week, not just for Services. They also asked for the Council's help in securing additional parking to alleviate the parking problems whenever the Church is in use. They have approached the Kier directly who do not want to sell some of their land to the church.

Two residents came to ask for help contacting residents of Kirton End/Holme who are experiencing problems with their broadband. They have been told that BT need to know how many residents are affected before they will do anything further.

**186/18**                      **Chairman's comments**

The Chairman thanked all those who organised the 3 festive events this month which were hugely successful and also thanked those who attended to help.

**187/18**                      **Apologies for absence and reason given**

Cllr Swan-Smith sent her apologies and reasons for absence which were accepted by the Council.

**188/18**                      **Receipt of any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, and to consider any written requests for dispensations in relation to members' disclosable pecuniary interests.**

Cllr Bemrose declared a personal interest in Town Hall on the agenda as her mother is Chairman. She also declared a personal interest in planning item B/18/0500 as the applicant is personally known to her.

Cllr Ransome declared an interest in Planning as she is Vice Chairman on the planning committee at the Borough, she will take no part in discussions in this item. Cllr Ransome is also a member of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan committee.

Cllr Rylott declared an interest in Planning as she is on the planning committee at the Borough, she will take no part in discussions in this item. She is also Vice-Chairman of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan committee. Cllrs Smith, Sharp and Turner declared personal interests in planning items B/18/0468 and B/18/477 as the applicants are personally known to them.

Cllr Sharp declared a personal interest in planning item B/18/0432 as the applicant is personally known to him.

**189/18**                      **Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting**

It was resolved that the notes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018, previously circulated, should be recorded as the minutes.

**190/18**                      **Police Matters**

PCSO Williams reported 6 crimes had been reported since the last meeting:

- 1 x assault which had resulted in one arrest
- 1 x theft from a motor vehicle where tools had been taken – closed undetected
- 1 x damage to a dwelling – closed undetected
- 1 x attempted theft of a vehicle – ongoing investigation
- 1 x drugs class B – drugs warrant issued and one arrest made
- 1 x shed burglary – under investigation

PCSO Williams reported that anti-social behaviour is down on last year figures. Plus, he warned of bogus callers and reminded everyone to be vigilant.

Members asked PCSO Williams about whether anything could be done to stop the parking outside the Kebab shop which causes residents to have to walk in the road which is dangerous. Plus, vehicles are having to go around parked vehicles at the side of the road which are obscuring the view of the crossing ahead. PCSO Williams said he would speak to the kebab shop owners again.

**191/18**                      **Viewpoints on questions from members of the public**

Regarding the Methodist Church request for support. It was resolved by a vote of 4 for 4 against, one abstention – deciding vote by the Chairman against – that the Council would not write a letter of support to the developers or Kier for a community carpark at the side of the Methodist Church as this was a financial matter between the Church and the developers and not one that the Parish Council should be involved with. Members were fully supportive of the refurbishments to the Methodist Church itself and were pleased to see the investment made.

Members resolved to publicise the poor Broadband via the Parish Council Facebook page and asked the residents who attended to email the Clerk information that they would like the Parish Council's help collating.

**192/18**                      **Matters for the attention of Lincolnshire County Councillors/Boston Borough Councillors**

Cllr Austin reported that although he roundabout is now fully restored by way of signs and lights, the ongoing issue of why the damage to the signs keeps happening is ongoing.

She reported that there is a real possibility that the village end of Skeldyke Road may become a 30mph road with investigations/discussions ongoing.

Cllr Austin wished to double check where the grit bin that has been removed from the corner of Horseshoe Lane and Skeldyke Road had been sited.

Cllr Brookes reported that a 3<sup>rd</sup> verge cut has been included in the budget for the next financial year. This will also result in a pro rata increase in the amount the LCC gives the Parish for cutting some of the verges for them.

He also reported that Sykemouth Drove has been issued a 'stopping up' order, meaning that the section of road which had been blocked by the landowner is now going to be returned to them.




Cllr Smith reported that the rest of Sykemouth Drove is in a terrible state of repair with some parts of it disintegrating completely. Clerk to report to LCC.







**193/18**                      **Accounts for payment/Finance**

It was resolved that the Clerk would email all the accounts for payment as per payment sheet dated December 2018/19 (9 of 12).

All were given the budget report from the November Finance Committee meeting with the suggested precept figure. It was resolved to accept this recommendation. Clerk to submit the precept request to the Borough. Cllr Turner asked that the budget include the planting of another tree to replace the dead one outside the Town Hall.

**194/18 Report from the minutes of the previous meeting/Clerk's report**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Action required</u>	<u>Complete</u>	<u>Ongoing</u>
25.07.18	Potholes reported on A16 at the roundabout to LCC REF:4108129	Monitor		
26.07.18	Overgrown bushes/hedges at A16/Station Road reported again to LCC ref: 4107319			
15.08.18	Been in touch with the roofer that redid the Town Hall roof. Informed him of the leaks, he will be touch to come and look.			
	Update: Roofer seen the problems and promised to rectify them within a week/10 days.			
14.09.18	Still nothing heard from roofer. Written to him and informed him that if the remedial work is not completed properly by the end of September that he leaves no other option than for the work to be given to another roofer and he will be liable for the bill.			
	Roofer says he has inspected the roof and the chimney needs pointing.			
08.11.18	Contractor has started the pointing, I asked whether he could let me know asap whether the recent flooding issues were due to flashing or pointing at the chimney. He suggested removing the chimneys and continuing the roof slates. This needs to be confirmed by Planning whether it is possible, plus does the Council want the chimneys removing?			
11.12.18	Chimneys lowered in height and larger slabs laid on top of chimney to make the drip off area			

	further away from the edge of the chimney. Flashing found to be come away from the chimney which would lead to the flooding which occurred through to the Town Hall main hall. This has been repaired.			
04.10.18	Roundabout damaged again by vehicles reported to LCC			
04.10.18	Lighting on roundabout damaged reported to LCC			
01.11.18	Pothole on Manor Road reported to LCC under ref 340840			
08.11.18	I have been chasing up the training to be offered to those volunteers who wished to be involved with the speed gun training. I will be getting in touch with the volunteers in the next week to get suitable dates for them to attend training as I now have a trainer available.			
12.12.18	Facebook request for volunteers sent as only 2 of the residents previously stating an interest have confirmed that they want training. Confirmation needed from members whether to pursue this or not.			
27.11.18	Broken wooden rail at bus stop between Manor Road and Woodside Road reported to LCC. This has now been repaired			
30.11.18	Uneven pavement reported on the pavement on the Frampton side of Horseshoe Lane, in poor state of repair. Was scheduled to have been done but never carried out. Reported to LCC ref 342401.			
03.12.18	LCC report that they need to investigate this matter further			

**195/18**

**Correspondence received which the Council are invited to resolve on**

- a. Thank you letter from Christ Church, Kirton Holme for providing the refreshments following the lighting of the beacon on the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

- b. Letter received from Frampton Parish Council's Chairman. Complaining that Kirton Parish Council did not object to the name of the development off West End Road that is close to a name already in Frampton – Frampton did not get the letter from the Borough Council.
- c. Update from Enforcement Officer regarding concerns raised within the Conservation Area of the village.

All matters raised are being monitored and businesses contacted for issues which need permission. Cllr Ransome reported that the Enforcement Officer, Alan Watts, has offered to attend the January Council Meeting. It was resolved that he should be invited to attend.

- d. South East Lincolnshire Local Plan – further main modifications consultation

**196/18**                      **Town Hall**

Cllr Hannay was not pleased that the decision to reduce the height of the chimneys on the Town Hall had been taken. Members had been contacted regarding the chimneys by email and the majority were for the full removal of the chimneys when asked. The Chairman approved the height reduction after taking advise from the builders. The matter of just reducing the height of them was ratified by the remainder of members.

**197/18**                      **Cemetery**

The Clerk had spoken to the Grave digger regarding the possibility of storing some of the signs/bollards etc which are used now for Remembrance Sunday. The grave digger's hut is not big enough to store much in it. After a suggestion by the Chairman that the Parish Council purchase a small container and paint it to blend in within the cemetery it was resolved that the area behind the one at the entrance to the cemetery should be measured up with a possibility of housing the signage.

Cllr Turner requested that the Parish Council look to extending the pathways within the cemetery to enable use of the newer section to be accessible to all.

**198/18**                      **Parish matters**

1. Reports from committee meetings held since last Council meeting.  
None held.
2. Update on Park Inspections  
Parts identified by Clerk/Chairman have been ordered and now arrived. Will be fitted in due course.
3. To discuss crossing the road/the crossing near to the Primary School (Station Road)  
Two issues affect the crossing. One is the inappropriate crossing of the road by parents rather than using the crossing. The second is the issue of how dark this area is and although the crossing itself can be seen, people waiting to cross on the crossing cannot. It was asked whether lighting could be incorporated more into the crossing, possibly by way of lighting up the column itself. Cllr Austin will take this matter away. Clerk to contact Road Safety Partnership regarding this plus Highways.
4. At a request from Cllr Hannay - Free water outlets from local businesses to help reduce the use of plastic bottles.
5. To consider requesting the Borough Council to instigate an article 4 direction for the conservation areas within the Borough. This restricts the scope of permitted development rights and a planning application will be required for development that would otherwise have permitted development. Applications are not applied retrospectively. In the cases of advertisements, the council (Borough) can impose and Area of Special Control to further restrict the 'deemed consent' rights.  
It was resolved to wait until after the Enforcement Officer's visit in January to take this matter further.

**199/18**                      **Reports for Various Bodies**

Cllr Bemrose asked whether the Council could contact the developers of Thomas Middlecott Drive regarding the play equipment being replaced.

**200/18**

**Planning applications:**

- B/18/0468 – Application for prior approval for the erection of a cold store at Windy Ridge Veg Ltd, Station Road, Hubberts Bridge – NO OBJECTIONS
- B/18/0459 – Application under s.73 for the removal of condition 2 (Agricultural Habitation Clause) of planning permission B/04/0547 (construction of agricultural workers house and garage) at Swallowfields, Donington Road, Swineshead – seen at Planning Committee held on 27<sup>th</sup> November – OBJECTIONS – STILL NEED AGRICULTURAL HABITATION PROPERTIES.
- B/18/0457 – Erection of 31 dwellings including demolition of existing dwelling at Land off Station Road, Kirton – seen at Planning committee meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> November – OBJECTIONS – NO S106 PROVISION, NO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROVISION, STATION ROAD ACCESS WOULD BE TOO CLOSE TO BUSY A16 JUNCTION – WILL CAUSE TRAFFIC QUEUES
- B/18/0441 – Retrospective application for the change of use of existing log cabin to holiday let accommodation to be used in connection with the dwelling known as Tenacre at Tenacre, Drainside North, Kirton – NO OBJECTIONS
- B/18/0477 – Proposed two storey extension to existing garage at Windy Ridge, Hubberts Bridge Road, Kirton – NO OBJECTIONS
- B/18/0502 – Outline application for residential development (up to 4 dwellings) with all matters reserved for later approval at Land west of Millview, Donington Road – SAME OBJECTIONS APPLY AS PER B/18/0346 IN THAT IT IS OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE ENVELOPE, ON PRIME AGRICULTURAL LAND, NOT SUSTAINABLE.
- B/18/0490 – Single storey rear extension and new pitched roof over existing rear wing at 48 Station Road, Kirton – NO OBJECTIONS
- B/18/0500 – Erection of a 1.5 storey workshop and storage area in garden to the rear of dwelling at 12 Connell House, Meeres Lane, Kirton – OBJECTIONS – RESIDENTIAL AREA, NOT INDUSTRIAL. ROAD NOT SUITABLE FOR HGVS (LCC SIGNAGE ON THE ROAD TO THIS EFFECT), NEXT DOOR RESIDENTS WILL HAVE THE PROPOSED WORKSHOP OVERLOOKING THEIR PROPERTY WHICH AFFECTS THEIR PRIVACY. RESIDENTS CLAIM THAT THEY ALL ARE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS WITHIN THEIR DEEDS THAT PREVENT BUSINESS BEING RUN FROM THE ADDRESSES ALONG THE ROAD.

Planning Decisions:

- B/18/0322 – Erection of 2 no. detached dwellings (1 two storeys with integral garage, 1 bungalow with detached garage) and new vehicular access at 52 Station Road, Kirton – REFUSED
- B/18/0274 – Erection of 2 semi-detached and 4 detached bungalows and detached garages and associated site works at land rear of 60 and 62 Willington Road, Kirton – GRANT
- B/18/0414 – Outline application with some matters (layout, appearance, landscaping and scale) reserved for later approval for up to five residential detached dwellings and private access road at Land north of Millstone, Donington Road, Kirton End – REFUSED
- B/18/0346 – Outline application for residential development (up to 8 dwellings) with all matters reserved for later approval at Land west of Millview, Donington Road, Kirton – REFUSED
- B/18/0407 – First floor side extension for form a bedroom and garage conversion to form a kitchen dining area at 37 Grosvenor Road, Frampton – GRANT

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**Date & time of the next Parish Council Meeting**

Date & Time of the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019 (Upsall Room, Kirton Town Hall) beginning at 7 pm. There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked those in attendance, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and declared the meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_