

KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL
NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 25th OCTOBER 2022

Present: Councillors: P. Watson, Chair, D Jarvis, Vice Chair,
C Crisford, R. Pryke, S. Watson
Acting Clerk D. Fairweather.

Also Present: four members of the public

PUBLIC FORUM

Resident unhappy at the length of time it has taken the Parish Council to complete the task of reinstating her fence which has been damaged over the years due to the lack of maintenance of the shrubbery along her boundary which the PC are responsible for. Parish Council has had the shrubbery cut back but now need to obtain quotations for works required. Resident has already obtained a quote and was to proceed with those works. Clerk advised that if Council quotation were significantly different, a contribution to the work could be made.

Resident asking why roads are in such a poor state of repair and drains are blocked. The road cleaner has been present but the drains required suction treatment as they are full of mud and debris.

Contractors of recent roadworks have left areas in poor condition.

POLICE REPORT last update August, 15 crimes – 5 antisocial, four theft, four criminal damage, two arson,

REPORTS FROM ELECTED BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Update from Borough Cllr P Watson – notification finally received that the application for travellers' site had been refused. Local speculation that an appeal will be made.

Report sent from County Cllr Brookes.

Received a complaint regarding speeding on the Donington Road along the National speed limit stretch (60mph) from the 40mph limit at Kirton End up towards Swineshead. The highways manager has arranged for a speed survey to be conducted over the first week of November.

Boston Road Kirton Speed Limit Review 40mph to 30mph and Kirton End Speed Limit Review 40mph to 30mph. Waiting in the queue for survey, Cllr Brookes pressing for a firmer date on these monthly at meetings with the highways manager, as latter one has been in queue since October 2021.

110-22 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs Baillie, Brotherton and O'Connor. County Cllrs Austin and Brookes

111-22 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

Cllr P. Watson declared membership of the Boston Borough Council Planning Committee and advised he would not take part in discussions on planning applications.

Cllr S Watson declared she is married to P Watson who is on the Planning Committee.

112-22 TO APPROVE NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS 27TH SEPTEMBER 2022.

Proposed Cllr S Watson, seconded Cllr Jarvis. All in agreement that these be signed as a true copy.

113-22 TO RECEIVE UPDATES FROM CLERK

Car Park contract now signed. Regulations to commence 14th November, all being well.

Tree protector – out of stock due in November now.

Longstaff's are to value Orthodox church next week.
Confirmation that our tree has been registered on the Queens Canopy map
Remembrance Sunday all arrangements made. Require volunteers for road closures.

114/22 – TO DISCUSS NEW NOTICE BOARD

Differing designs brought to the table. Clerk asked if new board should be on Town Hall wall or stand alone. Cllr S Watson felt original notice board should be renewed in situ but a new one, preferably standalone along the frontage to the Parish Council car park. Cllr S Watson to approach local businesses for sponsorship. Clerk to ascertain distance required by planning for signs near Highways. All agreed site near pedestrian crossing would be preferable. Agenda item next meeting.

115-22 FINANCE

- a) **To Approve Payment of Accounts as per schedule.** Proposed Cllr S Watson seconded Cllr Crisford
- b) **To Discuss/Approve 10 hours overtime for clerk to finalise burial records electronically –** approved unanimously.
- c) **To Agree signatories on bank account.** Proposed Cllr Jarvis, signatures be Chair, Vice Chair seconded Cllr S Watson. All in agreement.
- d) **To Discuss Monthly grant to Kirton Town Hall Management Committee.** Monthly payment originally set up to help get Management Committee up and running. Now accounts sit at £40k+ Comments that should not still be paying when THMC now making a profit. Would gradual reduction be better 50% now 25% in 6 months. It was proposed Cllr P Watson seconded Cllr Crisford that payments cease at this moment of time. Four for one against. Cllr P Watson had spoken with Chairman of Management Committee who agreed this would be acceptable. Parish Council acknowledged and reiterated that if at any time in the future financial assistance is required, they can be approached for such assistance.

116-22 PLANNING

B/22/0397 Land to rear of Upsall Court, outline for 3 houses
B/22/0391 proposed outbuilding carport and landscaping to 332A Willington Road, Kirton End.
B/22/0388 Erection of annex building Laurels, Hammond Beck Bank.
No objections.

117-22 MEMBERS REPORTS

PW – Wombles have cleared war memorial area in readiness for service.
SW gave updates on organised events.

Date of next meeting 22nd November 2022