

# Bonby Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of Bonby Parish Council held at 7pm on Monday 21st May 2018 at the Village Hall, Bonby.

**Present:** Cllr Sarah Harriman, Cllr Norman Smith, Cllr Nik Smith, Cllr T Green, Cllr Catherine Bishop, Cllr Denise Peachey

No Ward Cllrs present, apologies sent. One member of the public.

### **Public Comment**

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1. **Apologies**

None.

2. **Declaration of Interest**

Cllr Nik Smith – item 13.

3. **Minutes of Previous meeting**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th April 2018 with the agreed matters of accuracy were approved and signed as a true and correct record.

4. **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that she had been informed by ERNLLCA that there would no longer be a requirement to appoint a data officer under the new GDPR regulations. This was good news for small Parish Councils. The Clerk also advised the PC that David Sanderson of NLC would be attending the next meeting to discuss the Parish Paths scheme (discussion required under the terms of the Council Tax Grant).

5. **Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs**

No issues.

6. **Report from Local Councillors**

No Ward Cllrs present yet again. The Parish Council once again expressed their disappointment at the lack of attendance and stated they felt Bonby was being neglected. The Ward Cllrs did send a report regarding issues raised with NLC, however the PC felt that regardless of this nothing was being moved on satisfactorily and there was much unhappiness from local residents as well as the Parish Council.

7. **Highways / Neighbourhood Services & NLC issues**

The Clerk was once again requested to go back to NLC regarding the following matters:

- Bonby Lane. The response from the Ward Cllrs and NLC is just not good enough, this problem has dragged on for at least a couple of years now, it is getting worse and the only proposed resolutions are in favour of Biowaste who have caused the problem and extended against the wishes of local people in the first place. The road is rapidly deteriorating and residents have had enough.
  - Grasscutting has not been carried out on Sheepdyke lane for two years and repairs may be scheduled but no progress is being made.
  - The Saxby to Bonby footpath still has an area that is falling in to the dyke near the first wood in the Bonby to Saxby direction.
  - Carr Lane. No progress is being made with another month passing and the PC are most concerned about the road usage and poor state of the highway with increased traffic due with the Ancholme Path. The Parish Council would like to know why the private road belonging to Mr Truelove in Worlaby has been tarmaced with public money but yet the public Carr Lane in Bonby has been so neglected?
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- With regard to 3 Main Street, an NLC representative needs to talk to the resident, a kerb is required and the bad drainage problems need resolving – the poor work was carried out by NLC in the first place and caused the problems.
- The collapsed culvert by the Church needs urgently dealing with and despite an NLC representative coming out, there seemed to be little understanding of the issue.
- The Parish Council are as stated in Item 6, very unhappy with NLC and would like this to be conveyed to the Ward Cllrs, the Director responsible and our MP.

### 8. **Planning**

- PA/2016/859 – Biowaste. Application to vary condition 2 of WD/2016/1916. The Parish Council agreed that the information supplied was not good enough, it did not give adequate explanation as to what was being requested. Clerk to request further information and an extension for the June meeting. Furthermore, the Parish Council agreed that the constant requests and applications to vary and change previously granted permissions seemed to be a tactic of Biowaste and a means used to try circumvent and confuse to expand and ultimately get their own way.

- **PA/2018/401 and PA/2018/440.** Applicant Truelove. New housing developments in Worlaby.

Bonby Parish Council unanimously objected to PA/2018/401. It was agreed that the proposed development is completely unnecessary and will change the Worlaby and the surrounding area in a detrimental fashion. It is at complete odds with the rural character of the area and building on prime farm land is unacceptable. This along with the proposed development at Worlaby House PA/2018/440 will nearly double the size of the village. The Parish Council has serious concerns about the effect this would have on the Primary School and fears it may mean a loss of school places for local children, including those from Bonby. The increased traffic in Worlaby and the wider Low Villages from the proposed developments is also a major concern. We already have problems with speeding and the greatly increased traffic will only add to it. The Low Villages are small rural villages with very few amenities, it is entirely the wrong area for a large scale development. We do not have good public transport links either. There is a difference between housing need and housing demand. This falls in to the latter and the demand merely comes from the developers and landowner, not the local area. The Parish Council also objected to PA/2018/440 on much of the same grounds above. It would only consider a small and sensitive development here of a maximum of 15 houses. The rural character of the Low Villages and the Ancholme Valley and Wolds must be protected from rampant and insensitive development. It is feared that if the above applications are given permission then others could follow.

### 9. **Internal Audit 2018**

Prior to the meeting the Clerk circulated the Internal Audit report. There were no issues of concern, the audit once again went well, a few minor suggestions will be acted upon.

### 10. **To decide a budget for the phonebox mini museum**

It was agreed to further look at costings for the presentation of information. The resident who is doing the research and typing up can submit receipts for reimbursement for ink and paper.

### 11. **Low Villages Forum**

Feedback was given from Cllr Harriman and Cllr Bishop. The wording for the small tourism leaflet needs to be agreed.

### 12. **Gillman Trail plans**

Further discussion ensued. It was felt this was a longer term project given the scale of it and would need to be correctly budgeted for as well as grants being accessed.

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### 13. Playground Inspection Report

The new playground is now finished. Cllr Nik Smith gave the playground report.

### 14. Village planting budget and plans for Summer 18

It was agreed to allocate up to £150 for summer planting. Cllr Harriman to purchase. Clerk requested to contact Brigg garden centre regarding an account as it was agreed that expecting the Clerk or a Cllr to spend their own money and then reclaim was not ideal or especially fair for large sums of money.

### 15. Correspondence

- a) Clerks and Councils Direct – circulated.
- b) Village hall AGM invite. Cllr Harriman to attend.
- c) Receipt for village hall hire payment – noted.
- d) ERNLLCA GDPR forms. Signed by Clerk and Chair.
- e) ERNLLCA GDPR update – noted.
- f) ERNLLCA re local government pay award. Noted.

### 16. Accounts

- a) Payment of Clerk's salary and expenses, agreed.
- b) Reimbursement of Clerk for new laptop etc £399.94.
- c) It was agreed to pay the insurance renewal invoice of £383.02.
- d) It was agreed to donate £50 for the leaving gifts at Worlaby Academy.
- e) The bank statements were noted by the PC and signed by Cllr Harriman .
- f) Receipt of precept and council tax grant noted.

### 17. Minor Items

- a) None.
- b) Merchant Navy Day –noted but no action required.  
Leicestershire Resident re Biowaste – noted with great interest, Clerk to thank.  
Police Commissioner Invite – next agenda.

### 18. Agenda items for next meeting

Parish paths, Bonby Day, Emergency Plan.

The next meeting will be on Monday 11th June at 7pm.

**It was resolved to close the meeting to the public and press.** To discuss employment issues.

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