

SOUTH KYME PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of 11 June 2015 at Coronation Hall.

DRAFT YET TO BE APPROVED

Present: Cllr Eric Langley (Chairman) Cllr Steve Coy
Cllr Peter Goode (Vice Chairman) Cllr Craig Midgley
Cllr Mervyn Head (Finance Officer) District Cllr Julia Harrison

In attendance: Peter Ayre (Clerk) - 6 members of the public.

15/16-09 Apologies - Cllr Lesley Moore had been unable to attend.

15/16-10 Approval of Minutes - Minutes of the last meeting were approved as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

15/16-11 Declarations of Interest - None

15/16-12 – The Chairman welcomed District Councillor Julia Harrison, recently elected as a Member of North Kesteven District Council for the Ward.

15/16-13 Matters arising from the Public Forum.

- a) The Planning application 15/0386/FUL for construction of a house on land between 15 and 17 High Street upon which Council had submitted comments had been subject to amendment. Concern was expressed by the owner of 19 High Street that he had not been consulted on the original application nor the proposed amendment. Councillors were also concerned that Council had not been consulted on the amendment.

Cllr Harrison agreed to take the matter up with The Planning Officer.

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Planning Officer to express the Council's concern. **Action Clerk**

15/16-14 Action Items from Previous meeting –

- a) **Heckington Wind Farm** - Cllr Head reported on his attendance at the planning meeting of 26 May regarding the variation application 15/0416/S36 (Heckington Fen Wind Farm) seeking amendment to existing consent. The Planning Authority was not prepared to accept comments submitted by this Council nor adversely comment to the Secretary of State.

Cllr Harrison agreed to pursue the matter with NKDC.

It was noted that a meeting of Parish Councils in the South Kesteven area to discuss the spread of Wind Farms was to be held on 23 June and Clerk would seek an invitation for Cllr Head to attend.

Cllr Harrison left the meeting.

- (b) **Village Tidy Group – Fuel** – Cllr Midgley vigorously expressed his concern that letters to local farmers requesting donations of fuel in accordance with Minute 14/15-86 had not been despatched and advocated that the Clerk be censured.

Clerk explained that he had delayed the letters with the intention of ensuring that Council satisfy itself that it had given due consideration to the implications before taking action.

It was agreed that letters be despatched forthwith.

Action Clerk

(c) **Riverbank Tree Planting** – Clerk had ascertained that Environmental Agency policy was that any planting on the riverbank within 9m of the water’s edge must be subjected to Flood Consent procedures.

(d) **Village Tidy machinery** –

i) It was agreed that the quotation from Burdens for

Flymo £430+VAT

Strimmer £450+VAT be accepted.

ii) It was agreed Cllr Midgley would undertake routine maintenance and repair of machinery and submit invoices to Council.

(e) **Bank signatories** – Following changes in personnel it was resolved that Cllr Langley be approved as a bank signatory and that ex-Cllr Wood’s name be removed.

15/16-15 Highways defects - Cllr Goode pointed out a number of defects:

Bottom bridge – pavement cracking and retaining wall leaning.

Low Road – potholes and sunken trenches – carriageway outside 29 Low Road not re-instated.

High Street – continued subsidence on riverbank and fencing needing attention.

RESOLVED: Clerk to report to LCC and request site meeting with Area Highways Manager

Action Clerk

15/16-16 Cluster Meeting – Noted that a cluster meeting of local Parish Councils is to be held on 22 June and it was agreed that Cllr Midgley be appointed to represent Council at the meeting.

15/16-17 Financial Report

<u>Expenditure items approved:</u>	<u>Income received:</u>	<u>Bank balance to date</u>
269.49 Insurance	4240.00 Precept	3609.79
325.00 Annual Village Hall rent	899.88 VAT reclaim	
814.56 Clerk annual salary		
203.64 HMRC annual PAYE		
97.83 Village Tidy expenses		
20.50 Clerk expenses		

15/16-18 Group Forum Not For Resolution

The Chairman outlined various ideas such as formulating a long term plan for the village – Members taking areas of responsibility which were noted for future discussion .

15/16-19 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 1930 on 30 July 2015 at Coronation Hall.

Meeting closed 2200

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