

SOUTH KYME PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of 27 September 2018 held at Coronation Hall

Present: Cllr Eric Langley (Chairman) Cllr Micky Clark
Cllr Steve Coy (Vice Chairman) Cllr Peter Goode
Cllr Mervyn Head (Finance Officer)

In attendance: Peter Ayre (Clerk) – 10 members of the public

18/19-39 The Chairman welcomed members of the public including two representatives from Slea Navigation Trust.

18/19-40 Apologies – Cllrs Alexander and Midgley had tendered apologies for absence.

18/19-41 Approval of Minutes - Minutes of the meeting of 26 July 2018 were approved as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

18/19-42 Declarations of Interest - Cllr Head declared his interests in agenda item 11.

18/19-43 Financial Report

<u>Expenditure approved</u>	<u>Income Received</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
25.02 VTG expenses	94.71 NKDC grant	5436.04
<u>150.00 Coronation Hall rent</u>		
<u>182.74 Mower servicing</u>		
11.98 Planter expenses		

18/19-44 Matters arising from the public forum –

- a) Reference was made to weeds on the river which have not been dealt with. Contact with the Environment Agency indicated that work would commence in the next 2 weeks.
- b) Various matters concerning the landing stage were raised, including questions regarding public consultation - suitability of wheelchair access - safety concerns around the gap between sections - authorisation of noticeboards - overall design issues – ownership. It was pointed out that public consultation had been conducted through the Village Meeting and the Parish Council, that wheelchair access had been DDA approved and that the Parish Council as landowner had given permission for construction and erection of the structure and accompanying noticeboards. The installation had been approved by the Planning Authority and the landing stage was clearly in the ownership of Slea Navigation Trust.

The unauthorised mooring of a narrow boat at the landing stage was also noted and steps to deal with what now amounted to trespass were debated. It was felt that as the owners it was for Slea Navigation Trust to take such steps as were legally available.

A full discussion ensued and it was:-

RESOLVED: That a site meeting between Slea Navigation Trust and the Parish Council be arranged in the next two weeks to address issues raised.

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The need for a turning circle was also discussed. Slea Nav had been in discussions with the landowner but negotiations had become so protracted as to lead to the expiry of the grant aid and Environment Agency Permit and discussions had now ceased. Cllr Coy undertook to discuss the matter with the landowner. **Action Cllr Coy**

- c) The state of the mail box was raised with a request for the Parish Council to repaint. It was pointed out that the box is Crown property and Royal Mail had been requested to attend.
- d) It was not thought that traffic signs warning of ducks crossing were necessary.
- e) Concern was raised about the poor state of the road surface along Cow Drove. It was pointed out that, despite representations by the Parish Council, financial pressures had meant that Cow Drove and Low Road had been graded as low priority by the County Council.

18/19-45 Action Items from previous meetings

- a) **Village street furniture** – Requests for estimates to refurbish the noticeboard were long outstanding and Chairman will seek alternative solutions. **Action Chairman**
Cllr Goode noted that he was able to donate a bench for siting at Low Road/Clay Bank as well as an additional picnic bench for the riverbank. Siting and installation to be referred to VTG.
- b) **Community Speedwatch** – Council noted that training of volunteers and introduction of the scheme will depend on neighbouring Councils becoming involved. A straw poll of Cluster area Councils had resulted in Anwick expressing an interest and North Kyme considering at its meeting next week. **Action Clerk**
- c) **Car Parking Signs** – It was agreed that installation should now go ahead.
- d) **Public Space Protection Orders** – District Cllr Head reported that NKDC position on PSPOs was that, because of the lack of capacity to enforce, none were to be authorised in future.
- e) **Building structures on the riverbank** – It was agreed that prior to installation of structures of any kind on the riverbank they must initially be referred to the Parish Council.

18/19-46 Church Lane – No objections were raised to the proposal to improve security by restricting vehicular access along Church Lane by re-instating a gate close to the cattle grid.

18/19-47 Flags and WW1 centenary – It was agreed that three more Lincolnshire Standard flags would be purchased along with an RAF flag.

Remembrance of the WW1 centenary would be discussed with Mrs Howes.

Action Chairman

18/19-48 Heckington Fen Wind Farm – It was noted that Ecotricity had published its application to extend the date before which the development shall be commenced from 5 to 10 years. It was agreed that the Parish Council object to this application and a hard copy of the application be obtained sufficient to meet the 02 November deadline for objections. **Action Clerk**

Cllr Head informed the meeting that HeckOff was in discussion with legal advisors which would cost c£2000.

18/19-49 Village Christmas Tree – A locally donated tree would be sought and if not available a commercial tree would be purchased. Cllr Coy undertook to obtain prices.

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18/19-50 Civil Emergency Panning – Deferred to the next meeting

18/19-51 Planning Applications – No new applications had been received.

Chairman noted that proposals by the Golf Club to build four houses on Skinners Lane had been accepted by members of the club and that a formal application will probably be submitted shortly.

18/19-52 Group Forum not for resolution – Chairman expressed the Council's appreciation of the work done by the sponsors of the village planters.

It was noted that an update to the defibrillator procedure would be published in the 'Tower'

18/19-53 Date of next Meetings – At Coronation Hall 1930

22 November 2018,

24 January 2019

21 March 2019

Meeting Closed 2135