

OWSTON FERRY PARISH COUNCIL

These are the Minutes of Meeting of the Owston Ferry Parish Council held via Zoom on Thursday 25 February 2021 at 7:00pm

In Attendance:

Councillors Bland (Chairman), Parkin (Vice Chairman), Brumby, Edward, Green, Mackenzie, Stevens, Temperton, Watts, Woodcock and Ward Cllr Rose.

Mrs Clare Boyall Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

0 Members of the Public

	Item	Proposer
288/21	Public Participation Session No members of the public present.	
289/21	Apologies: Cllr Walker.	
290/21	Declarations of Interest Cllr Brumby 295/21	
291/21	Granting of Dispensations (Code of Conduct, 2012) None. Cllr Edward entered the meeting.	
292/21	Draft Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 28 January 2021 Cllr Green proposed that the draft minutes of 28 January 2021 be accepted, seconded by Cllr Temperton. All in favour. It was resolved that the draft minutes of 28 January 2021 be signed and accepted as a true record. Minutes signed remotely.	
293/21	Draft Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 11 February 2021 Cllr Parkin proposed that the draft minutes of 11 February 2021 be accepted, seconded by Cllr Brumby. All in favour. It was resolved that the draft minutes of 11 February 2021 be signed and accepted as a true record. Minutes signed remotely.	
294/21	Clerk's Report The Clerk has submitted the Parish Precept to N Lincs Council and this has been acknowledged. The order for the parts for the Cone Climber (Witch's Hat) has been placed. The Clerk has requested that the Mole catcher attend Gunthorpe play area. The Definitive Map Officer has advised that an overhanging tree on Footpath 134 will be trimmed back. Following the request for N Lincs Council to inspect Footpath 132 the Clerk has been informed that a new member of staff will be taking up their position in March	

and that this matter will be left to them to deal with.

Information has been sent to the Definitive Map Officer regarding horses on the public footpaths.

A submission has been sent to Planning Enforcement with regard to The Old Filling Station 111 High Street with regard to a 2 storey extension.

The Clerk has spoken to the contractor who will be refurbishing the cemetery gates and pillars. He is planning to start this work before the end of March when the weather improves.

295/21 Financial Report

Presentation of Monthly accounts for February 2021

Receipts: Northern Power Grid Wayleave £38.33
Wallace and Son Burial £100.00

Cheque	Recipient	Purpose	Total
102105	C Boyall	February Salary	Confidential
102106	C Boyall	Mileage	15.60
102106	C Boyall	Home Office Allowance Mar-May	78.00
102107	G Brumby	Zoom Subscription	14.39
102108	Zurich Insurance	Annual Insurance	1421.94
102109	ICO	Annual Data Protection Fee	40.00

296/21 Recreation Field Fence/PSPO

Cllr Brumby has emailed a sketch to Cllrs. The dog area would be 5m wide by 106m long. This item will be carried forward to the next agenda to give Cllrs time to review the sketch.

297/21 Community Grant

This item was discussed. Cllr Green, Cllr Parkin and Cllr Woodcock have investigated an additional item of play equipment for Gunthorpe play area. They suggest a Mini Orbiter at a cost of £1049 ex Vat and installation. Cllr Temperton proposed to purchase this item, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to purchase a Mini Orbiter.

Cllr Watts has sent information regarding a Boules area to Cllrs. He suggests an area 20 ft by 40 ft. Cllr Watts will obtain quotations. This item will be carried forward to the next agenda.

298/21 Play Inspection Report Progress

This was discussed.

At this point Cllr Bland reported that he had attended the recreation field this evening to check on the signs on the play equipment following a notification from Cllr Edward that she had received a complaint from a resident regarding large numbers of people in the play area not observing social distancing rules. Cllr Bland found that the notices were missing. The Clerk has emailed the templates for the original notices to Cllr Bland. Cllr Bland pointed out that it is the

	responsibility of members of the public to socially distance.	
	Cllr Temperton will attend site at the weekend to remove the trip hazards at the edge of the play surfaces.	
299/21	The Cemetery Epworth Road The supply of electricity and water to the building was discussed. This will be carried forward to the next meeting.	
298/21	At this point the Clerk requested to return to item 298/21. The Clerk has obtained a quotation for a picnic table and bin base. Cllr Temperton proposed to accept the quotation, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour. It was resolved to accept the quotation for a picnic table and bin base to be installed.	
300/20	Best Kept Village This was discussed. Cllr Bland proposed to enter the competition this year at a cost of £40, seconded by Cllr Woodcock. All in favour. It was resolved to enter the Best Kept Village competition this year.	
301/21	NALC Update The Clerk stated that the Government regulations that enable councils to meet remotely come to an end on 7 May. NALC have given advice and guidance on how to return to face to face meetings. The Clerk advised that she has sent Cllr Brumby a risk assessment template and that Cllr Brumby will help Coronation Hall with their compliance for re-opening. The Clerk suggested that as NALC have advised to keep face to face meetings as short as possible that the annual meeting take place at the beginning of May via Zoom and that this meeting take the place of the April meeting. Cllrs resolved to have the annual meeting on 6 May 2021.	
302/21	Cemetery Management Training The Clerk has received communication from ERNLLCA recommending that this training would be useful for Clerks of Parish Councils with a cemetery. Cllr Brumby proposed that the Clerk attend this training, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour. It was resolved that the Clerk attend the Cemetery Management Training.	
303/21	South Axholme Group Practice Covid Vaccinations Cllr Green proposed to send a letter of thanks to the practice, seconded by Cllr Stevens. All in favour. It was resolved that a letter of thanks be sent to South Axholme Group Practice.	
304/21	Ward Councillor Report Cllr Rose reported the Council Tax limit this year is a 5% increase to consist of up to 3% for adult and social care and up to 2% general tax. Covid vaccinations in the area are progressing well and infection rates are falling. The Local Plan has been delayed as a more detailed drainage plan is required. An Isle of Axholme Flag is to be produced and the Parish Council will be supplied with one.	

	The Just Go buses are still running and an extra bus has been acquired which will enable services to increase.	
305/21	Chairman's Items None.	
306/21	Date and Time of Next Meeting Thursday 25 March 2021. Meeting to start at 7.00 pm via Zoom. Meeting closed at 8.06 pm	