

OWSTON FERRY PARISH COUNCIL

These are the Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Owston Ferry Parish Council held on Thursday 26 September 2024, 7:00pm in the Parish Room at Coronation Hall.

In Attendance:

Councillors Woodcock (Chair), Coy, Edward, Hellewell (from item 19/09), Parkin, Rule, J Temperton (from item 19/09), S Temperton, Trickett, Walker and Ward Cllr Rose.

Clare Boyall Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

1 Member of the Public

	Item	Proposer
01/09/24	Public Participation Session A member of the public spoke about a track between footpath 133 and 134 and correspondence from N Lincs Council regarding the addition to the Definitive Map as well as Croft Mere allotments.	
02/09/24	Apologies Cllr Watts.	
03/09/24	Declarations of Interest Cllr Coy 22/09/24 Cllr Edward 22/09/24	
04/09/24	Granting of Dispensations (Code of Conduct, 2012) None.	
05/09/24	Draft Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 25 July 2024 Cllr Rule proposed that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 25 July 2024 be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour It was resolved that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 25 July 2024 be accepted as a true record.	
06/09/24	Clerk's Report The cemetery railings quotation was accepted and work has started. The quotation for the cemetery and churchyard paths has been chased. The Remembrance Day road closure has been approved by N Lincs Council and they will be organising this. Another follow up email has been sent to the contractor who should be repairing the Millennium Clock. If no response is received quotations will be sought from other clock companies. There is still an issue with the interaction between the website and any new .gov emails from a different supplier. More companies will be contacted as well as contacting the website provider again. The change in bank accounts is progressing. The grass contractor for the cemetery was asked to cut the grass next to the spoil pile further back as this has started to encroach on the next available grave spaces. This was done at no cost to the council.	

07/09/24

Financial Report

102403	D Green DJ Jetwashing	Replacement chq 101397	820.00
102404	Staff Salary	August Salary	Confidential
102405	C Boyall	Home Office Allowance Sept-Nov	78.00
102405	C Boyall	Postage	6.80
102406	B Keighery	Cut 16 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 15 Gunthorpe	450.00
102406	B Keighery	Cut 17 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 16 Gunthorpe	450.00
102407	P Hinds	Grass Cutting/Strimming at Cemetery and Closed Churchyard 19.7.24	245.00
102408	PKF Littlejohn	Annual External Audit 2023 2024	252.00
102409	Yards Apart	PROW Cut 2	750.12
102410	Proludic	Replacement Signs Gym Equipment	348.48
102411	A Gregory	Lychgate Fence Staining	830.00
102412	Staff Salary	September Salary	Confidential
102413	Cancelled		
102414	C Boyall	Mileage Aug and Sept	41.85
102415	B Keighery	Cut 18 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 17 Gunthorpe	450.00
102415	B Keighery	Cut 19 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 18 Gunthorpe	450.00
102415	B Keighery	Cut 20 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 19 Gunthorpe	450.00
102416	P Hinds	Grass Cutting/Strimming at Cemetery and Closed Churchyard 12.8.24 21.8.24	490.00
102417	Play Inspection Company	Biannual Playground Inspections	49.60
102418	Coronation Hall	Transfer of Grant Money from N Lincs Council	276.47

Cllr Rule proposed that the financial report be accepted and the cheques should be signed seconded by Cllr Walker. All in Favour.

It was **resolved** that the financial report be accepted and the cheques should be signed.

08/09/24

Sustainable Planting Grant

The Clerk advised that the payment was for the sustainable planting grant that Coronation Hall applied for. N Lincs Council would only give them the grant if the money was transferred to the Parish Council. Cllr Coy proposed to note the receipt of £276.47 from N Lincs Council for the Coronation Hall claim and that payment has been made to them for this amount, seconded by Cllr Trickett. All in favour.

It was **resolved** to note the receipt of £276.47 from N Lincs Council for the Coronation Hall claim and that payment has been made to them for this amount.

09/09/24	<p>Annual External Auditor Report 2023 2024 Cllr Rule proposed to note the external auditor's report and the conclusion of the audit with no matters arising, seconded by Cllr Edward. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to note the external auditor's report and the conclusion of the audit with no matters arising.</p>	
10/09/24	<p>Planning Applications Application Number: PA/2024/904 Proposal: Planning permission to erect a two-storey dwelling Site Location: Plot 7, Somerby Drive, Owston Ferry, Doncaster, DN9 1BS</p> <p>Resolution: No comment.</p> <p>PA/2024/215 Tithe Barn and land, Station Road, Owston Ferry, DN9 1AW Additional Documentation</p> <p>Resolution: No Comment</p> <p>PA/2024/246 Tithe Barn and land, Station Road, Owston Ferry, DN9 1AW Additional Documentation</p> <p>Resolution: No Comment</p> <p>Cllr Coy proposed to note that the above applications were dealt with under the Clerk's delegated authority, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to note that the above applications were dealt with under the Clerk's delegated authority.</p>	
12/09/24	<p>Playground Inspections Biannual Report Cllr Parkin proposed to note the biannual inspection reports, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to note the biannual inspection reports.</p>	
13/09/24	<p>Playground Inspection Report Cllr Rule advised that although there were many low risk items these had not been addressed. Cllr Walker proposed that Cllr Rule compiles a list of work that is required and bring back to the next meeting, seconded by Cllr Trickett. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved that Cllr Rule compiles a list of work that is required and brings back to the next meeting.</p>	
14/09/24	<p>Playground Inspections 2025 Cllr Rule proposed to order biannual playground inspections for 2025 at a cost of £220 plus VAT per inspection, seconded by Cllr Coy. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to order biannual playground inspections for 2025 at a cost of £220 plus VAT per inspection.</p>	
15/09/24	<p>Grant Funding Cllr Woodcock gave feedback on the meeting that he and the Clerk had attended. Cllr Woodcock asked Cllrs to look at ideas for fencing for the</p>	

<p>16/09/24</p>	<p>recreation field in order to apply for funding and for Cllrs to bring this back to the next meeting.</p> <p>Best Kept Village Cllr Parkin proposed to note the results of the competition, seconded by Cllr Temperton. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to note the results of the competition.</p> <p>Cllr Woodcock proposed that Cllr Trickett attend the presentation evening, seconded by Cllr Coy. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved that Cllr Trickett attends the presentation evening.</p>	
<p>17/09/24</p>	<p>Community Awards Cllr Walker requested that the Parish Council consider starting a community awards scheme. Awards would be given annually. Cllr Woodcock asked Cllr Walker to bring this back to a future meeting with a plan on what is entailed to do this.</p>	<p>IW</p>
<p>18/09/24</p>	<p>Parish Leaflet Cllr Coy asked if the Parish Council would consider producing a parish leaflet. This was briefly discussed. Cllr Coy to bring further information to the next meeting.</p>	<p>BC</p>
<p>19/09/24</p>	<p>Co-Option Vacancy 1 Cllr Edward proposed Mr Temperton, seconded by Cllr Parkin. 7 in favour Cllr Trickett proposed MS Muldoon, no seconder</p> <p>Mr Temperton was duly co-opted onto the Parish Council.</p> <p>Vacancy 2 Cllr Parkin proposed Ms Muldoon, seconded by Cllr Edward. 3 in favour. Cllr Walker proposed Mr Hellewell, seconded by Cllr Temperton. 5 in favour.</p> <p>Mr Hellewell was duly co-opted onto the Parish Council.</p>	
<p>20/09/24</p>	<p>Community Governance Review – Draft Recommendation The draft recommendations were discussed at length. The Parish Council felt that the number of Cllrs should stay at 11. The council is responsible for 3 villages and a hamlet and the reduction to 8 Cllrs would not allow for democratic representation of the parish. It was felt that the capacity to take on any possible future devolved responsibilities would be greatly reduced. Democracy is well served in Owston Ferry at the moment in an agricultural community. The capacity to complete future projects and events would also be limited with the proposed limited number of Cllrs who work on a purely voluntary basis.</p> <p>Cllr Parkin proposed to object to the reduction in Cllr numbers with the above comments, seconded by Cllr Edward. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved object to the reduction in Cllr numbers with the above comments.</p>	
<p>21/09/24</p>	<p>Remembrance Sunday Options for this year were discussed. Cllr Woodcock requested that if Cllrs wished that the poppies be put up in the parish that they volunteer to do this.</p>	

	<p>Cllrs Coy, Trickett, Hellewell, Walker, S Temperton and Edward volunteered to install the poppies on 27/10. Cllr Walker has tried to contact the bugler and will continue to do so. Cllr Hellewell proposed to purchase a poppy wreath under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to purchase a poppy wreath under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.</p> <p>Cllrs Coy and Edward left the meeting room.</p>	
<p>22/09/24</p>	<p>Grant Application Cllr Parkin proposed to award a grant of £500 to the Community Group for the over 65's tea, seconded by Cllr Trickett. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to award a grant of £500 to the Community Group for the over 65's tea.</p> <p>Cllrs Coy and Edward re-entered the meeting room.</p>	
<p>23/09/24</p>	<p>Correspondence to Note ERNLLCA – First aid Training NATS South – Newsletter N Lincs Council – Forthcoming Meetings</p> <p>Cllr Coy proposed to note the correspondence, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour.</p> <p>It was resolved to note the correspondence.</p>	
<p>24/09/24</p>	<p>Ward Councillor Report The Local Plan has been withdrawn due to the Government's recent ruling regarding planning.</p> <p>The greater Lincolnshire devolution has been approved.</p> <p>Concerns regarding events taking place at Fourways Fisheries has been received by N Lincs. They are investigating this.</p> <p>The pumping station has had £20,000 of funding approved to do essential repairs.</p>	
<p>25/09/24</p>	<p>Chairman's Items None.</p>	
<p>26/09/24</p>	<p>Date and Time of next meeting The next full council meeting will be held on Thursday 31 October 2024 at 7 pm in the Parish Room of Coronation Hall. Noted.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.</p>	