

**OWSTON FERRY PARISH COUNCIL**

These are the Minutes of Meeting of the Owston Ferry Parish Council held via Zoom on Thursday 30 July 2020 at 7:00pm

**In Attendance:**

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

Mrs Clare Boyall Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

0 Members of the Public

	Item	Proposer
155/20	<p><b>Public Participation Session</b> No members of the public present.</p> <p>Cllr Brumby stated that he had been approached by members of the public with regard to the grass around the gravestones in the cemetery. This was noted.</p>	
156/20	<p><b>Apologies:</b> None</p>	
157/20	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Green 167/20</p>	
158/20	<p><b>Granting of Dispensations</b> (Code of Conduct, 2012) None.</p>	
159/20	<p><b>Draft Minutes of the Full Council Meeting 25 June 2020</b> Cllr Green proposed that the draft minutes of 25 June 2020 be accepted, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> that the draft minutes of 25 June 2020 be signed and accepted as a true record. Minutes signed remotely.</p>	
160/20	<p><b>Draft Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 9 July 2020</b> Cllr Parkin proposed that the draft minutes of 9 July 2020 be accepted, seconded by Cllr Green. All in favour.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> that the draft minutes of 9 July 2020 be signed and accepted as a true record. Minutes signed remotely.</p>	
161/20	<p><b>Clerk's Report</b> The Clerk has contacted N Lincs Council regarding the signs for all the footpaths. Permission has been given for signs to be placed on the footpath posts. The signs have been ordered and are now ready.</p> <p>The claim for the damage to the play equipment in Gunthorpe Play area has been sent to Zurich Insurance.</p> <p>The Clerk has contacted Viking Trees to accept their quote to crown lift the trees on the edge of the recreation field.</p> <p>The Planning Enforcement Officer has been contacted regarding planning application PA/2019/750 and work carried out on site. Planning Enforcement have contacted Historic England. They have also contacted the owner to advise</p>	

that the work undertaken may already be a breach and that no further work should be undertaken before a decision on the application is taken and the site will be monitored.

The Clerk has sent a letter of response to the resident in Gunthorpe regarding the Public Footpaths. A further email has been received and has been added to this agenda.

The Clerk has again reported Footpath 132, 134 and 136 signs to N Lincs Council and requested an update. Communication received to advise that Footpath 132 sign will be replaced shortly.

The Clerk has arranged for the tree assessment on the Poplar Trees in Gunthorpe. Report received and added to this agenda.

A report was received that a tree had been vandalised near the recreation field. N Lincs Council have performed a site visit and the tree has indeed been ring barked. However there is nothing that can be done without an eyewitness report.

PKF Littlejohn have acknowledged receipt of the annual audit submission.

Correspondence

An email has been received from Owston Ferry Sports Club thanking the Parish Council for blocking the entrance to the recreation field to stop cars entering the area.

## 162/20 Financial Report

Presentation of Monthly accounts for June 2020

Receipts:	Cllr Brumby Flower Donation	£2.50
	Cllr Green Flower Donation	£2.50
	N Lincs Council 1 <sup>st</sup> Payment Paths Partnership	£1250.00

Cheque	Recipient	Purpose	Total
102051	C Boyall	July Salary	Confidential
102051	C Boyall	Postage	2.30
102051	C Boyall	Mileage	20.15
102052	B Keighery	Cut 9 Owston Ferry Rec	140.64
102052	B Keighery	Cut 10 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 6 Gunthorpe	188.76
102053	P Hinds	Grass cutting/strimming at cemetery and churchyard 9/6/20 and 25/6/20	584.00
102054	Cllr G Brumby	Zoom Subscription June	14.39
102055	N Lincs Council	Rent Gunthorpe Play Area	10.00
102056	B Keighery	Cut 11 Owston Ferry Rec and Cut 7 Gunthorpe	188.76
102057	Tree Generation	Tree Inspection Gunthorpe	340.00

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

	<p>It is <b>resolved</b> that the financial report be accepted and the cheques should be signed. The financial report and cheques signed remotely.</p>	
163/20	<p><b>Recreation Field Access</b>  Access to the recreation field was discussed. Cllr Temperton proposed that the entrance to the recreation field on Tempertons Lane be shut, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> that the entrance to the recreation field on Tempertons Lane be permanently closed.</p>	
164/20	<p><b>Recreation Field Fence</b>  Cllr Brumby has measured the perimeter of the fence. A discussion took place with regard to the type of fencing required. Cllr Woodcock, Cllr Bland and the Clerk will obtain quotations for the fencing.</p>	
165/20	<p><b>Communication regarding Public Footpaths</b>  This was discussed. The Clerk will send a response stating that the Parish Council have purchased the signs for the footpath posts and that there are no bridleways in Owston Ferry for cyclists or horses.</p>	
166/20	<p><b>Dog Fouling on Footpath 138a</b>  The Clerk has sent photos to the Principal Access and Commons Officer. This item was discussed at length. A new dog bin should be purchased and additional signage for that area.</p> <p>Cllr Woodcock proposed that the landlady be contacted and that she be informed of the line of the footpath and be advised to contact N Lincs Council if she wished to move the Public Footpath, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.</p> <p>Cllr Brumby proposed that we await advice from the Principal Access and Commons Officer, seconded by Cllr Watts. All in favour.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> that the landlady be contacted with regard to the Public Footpath and we await advice from the Principal Access and Commons Officer. A new dog bin will also be purchased with additional signage.</p>	
167/20	<p><b>Gunthorpe Play Area</b>  The tree inspection report was discussed. Ward Cllr Rose will contact N Lincs Council for advice. Cllr Brumby proposed to send a copy of the report to the owner of the trees, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour. Cllr Green declared an interest previously.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> to send the tree inspection report to the owner of the trees.</p>	
168/20	<p><b>Churchyard Fence</b>  1 test panel has been painted. Cllr Brumby will organise a work party to continue to paint the fence.</p>	
169/20	<p><b>Chairman's Items</b>  Cllr Bland advised that Cllr Walker has spoken to a bugler that is willing to attend Owston Ferry on VJ Day on 15 August at 11 am for a small socially distanced ceremony with representation from the Parish Council and the History Society. Cllr Woodcock will advertise this on the Facebook page.</p>	

<p><b>170/20</b></p>	<p>Cllr Bland advised that the footpath near to the surgery still needs to be cut back. The footpath near to Bagsby Road also requires attention. Cllr Temperton volunteered to cut back the edges of this footpath.</p> <p>Cllr Bland advised that the Clerk is spending more than the contracted 7 hours per week on Parish Council work. A discussion took place with suggested increase in hours.</p> <p>Cllr Walker proposed that the Clerk's hours be increased to 9 per week, seconded by Cllr Parkin. All in favour.</p> <p>This will be reviewed in 4 months time.</p> <p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b> Thursday 24 September 2020. Meeting to start at 7.00 pm via Zoom unless Government restrictions are lifted.</p> <p><b>Meeting closed at 8.50 pm</b></p>	