

MINUTES of the meeting of Hough on the Hill Parish Council held at 7.15 pm on Thursday 14th March 2019 at All Saints Church Community Area, Hough on the Hill.

Present: Cllr R Kingscott (RK) (in the Chair), Cllrs. Milnes (PeM), and Morgan (SM), and Vicky McLean
Cty Cllr Maughan and Dist Cllr Sampson and 1 member of the public.

There were no questions from the public.

59/18. Chairman **welcomed** those present. Vouchers for free paint for painting the phone boxes have been received by a resident. CHT and LIVES are speaking to each other regarding co-ordinating 999 calls – EMAS will not put calls through to VETS though. Appeal re the clay shoot is a long way off but people are monitoring the situation. They are working to 50 days and if any longer it will be an enforcement issue. Cllr Sampson is not putting himself up for re-election and thanked the PC for its help over the years.

60/18. Apologies for absence – Cllr Rhymer.

61/18. Vicky McLean gave a brief introduction about herself and it was then resolved that she be co-opted, and she joined the table. She signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, and handed the Clerk her DPI form.

62/18. There were no **declarations of interest**.

63/18.

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th December 2018 were read, amended slightly, and it was resolved unanimously to then accept them as a true record, and they were duly signed.

64/18. Planning:

- S18/0078 – Brandon Wood Clay Shoot application for clubhouse – pending consideration;
- S18/0221 - auto racing on grass track near Gelston – pending consideration;
- S18/1808 – new sewage treatment plant at Brandon House –approved;
- S18/1979 – conversion of Brandon Barn – approved; S18/2039 – rear extension at Wilderness Cottage – approved;
- S18/2117 – single storey extension at Brantbeck House – approved;
- S18/2242 – variation of Condition 2 at Beechers, Lower Road – approved;
- S18/2336 – extension at The Cottage, Lower Road - approved.
- S19/0231 – Erection of triple garage at Windwards, Gelston – site meeting and response by 19th March
- S19/0355 – Single storey extension at 33 Lower Road, Hough – site meeting and response by 19th March.

65/18. Playing field:

- [a] All monthly reports are up to date. Site still needs measuring up to enable a quote for rubber chippings.
- [b] Hedge laying is completed and Mr Lord has taken away rubbish.
- [c] Wicksteed report had been received and more chippings are required.

66/18. Road safety/Highways:

[a] 40 mph restriction and signage now in place on C001. Signs will be re-sited when gates are installed. LCC Highways need to get up to date utilities information before they can install the posts for the gates. Chair will give papers to Cllr Maughan to chase up.

[b] "Not Suitable for HGVs" sign is in wrong place at Church Lane, Brandon.

[c] Some work has been done on the overflowing stream at Lower Road, Hough – this to be re-visited to see if all is now working properly.

[d] The open drain at Gelston now has a cover over it – Cllr Maughan chasing.

[e] Discussion took place regarding preferred gritting routes to put to LCC. It was finally resolved that a route from Brandon to Hough to the C001 via Gelston is the route Cllr Maughan will put forward to LCC.

[f] A 30 mph speed restriction is required within Gelston village boundary – Cllr Maughan will enquire as to what will be acceptable to LCC Highways.

[g] Entrances to Hough, from all directions except Barkston and Brandon, have no village signs – the road is marked "SLOW" – we need a sign at the play area (the PC will pay for the sign if LCC pay for the installation).

[h] There will be a temporary road closure between 27th and 29th March between New Hill/Lower Road and a point 250 metres north west at Brandon Road, Hough – for essential maintenance works by Anglian Water.

[i] Works will take place on the Lower Road footbridge on 8th July.

67/18. Footpath 8:

Awaiting a re-routing application.

68/18. Gelston cesspit – a new 3 chamber treatment plant is going in on 25th March and the firm will monitor it after installation, and maintain it.

69/18. Defibrillators –

PeM has re-negotiated the annual maintenance fee down to £315 + VAT – new invoice to follow and resolved to pay. This cost will rise to £350 next year.

70/18. Brandon Electricity Pole Diversion:

[a] Regular wayleave payment received.

[b] The agreement for the new pole has been signed and sent back to Western Power – awaiting for the work to commence.

71/18: Old-fashioned street lamps in Hough. Cllr Sampson has still to make enquiries as to availability and cost. Caroline Baker at SKDC is the required person.

72/18. Neighbourhood Plan – this will need updating after inception of the new Local Plan. There is no date for this yet. A question was asked as to whether there will be any funding available to enable the Neighbourhood Plan to be re-written?

73/18. Communications:

Nothing urgent for Onside – wait till after elections on May 2nd.

74/18. Financial matters:

[a] Bank balances at 31.1.19 £4865.81 (deposit a/c) and £1,187.17 (current a/c).

[b] Resolved to sign the bank reconciliation/income and expenditure accounts at 31.1.19.

[c] Resolved to pay LALC subscription at £146.68.

75/18 Correspondence:

SM will be going to the North Rural Police Forum on 16th March.

76/18. Presentations from invited speakers:

Cllr Maughan advised that the LCC budget has been approved and £461 million spend is projected. There is a Heritage service consultation online. NHS Healthy – Grantham Hospital will be downgraded from A & E to a 24 hour treatment centre. The Lincolnshire population is not big enough for 3 A & E hospitals.

Cllr Sampson = EMAS is a problem – they constantly travel between Grantham and Lincoln. SKDC Council Tax increase is £5.

Clerk then distributed election Nomination Packs with some information as to completion.

77/18. Next meeting: 9th May 2019 at 7 pm (Annual Meeting of PC, and regular meeting).

Meeting closed at 9.25 pm.