

**Minutes of the North Kelsey Parish Council held at 7.00 pm  
at the Village Hall on 11 July 2023**

Present: Cllr A. Robinson (Chair), Cllr R. Hunt, Cllr M. Williams, Cllr P. Jackson, Cllr J. Waite, Cllr D. Waite,  
Cllr S. March, Cllr P. Bryan, Cllr J. Cundill,  
In Attendance: C. Thomas (Clerk), Cllr P. Morris (LCC),  
Members of public present: 1

**1 Welcome from the chairman and public session (15 mins) - Ref: 287**

A member of the public spoke in respect of the Eggdon Oil planning application appeal which was withdrawn and expected another, new application to be submitted in the next few months.

**2 Reports from Unitary Councillors - Ref: 288**

Cllr P. Morris (WLDC) advised of a new community fund for grants which was linked to the Governments levelling up fund.

Cllr T. Smith (LCC) was not present but provided a report advising that the drainage issues on Maidenwell Lane were progressing. Head of Highways reported on issues opposite Chapel Mead with a drainage cleaning team expected to undertake work in June to improve the situation.

**3 Apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 289**

Cllr T. Smith (LCC)

**4 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 - being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members Register of Interests - Ref: 290**

None

**5 To approve the draft minutes of the Council meeting held on 13/06/23 - Ref: 291**

It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr J. Cundill Seconder: Cllr M. Williams For: 5 Against: 1 Abstain: 3

**6 Finance Report - Ref: 292**

**a) Accounting statements for period ending 30/06/23 - Ref: 293**

The accounting statements ending 30/06/23 had been previously circulated by the Clerk.

It was resolved to approve these as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr J. Cundill Seconder: Cllr A. Robinson For: 8 Against: 1 Abstain: 0

**b) Schedule of payments - Ref: 294**

It was resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments totalling £1902.80

Proposed: Cllr J. Cundill Seconder: Cllr A. Robinson For: 6 Against: 2 Abstain: 1

**7 To receive any reports from external organisations - Ref: 295**

Cllr Cundill gave an update on the North Kelsey Community Association with coffee mornings being merged to create more of a social morning.

The Clerk confirmed that the Caistor Lions would be discussion the defibrillator application on 17th July.

It was suggested that the Openreach fibre project be further promoted as they were 43 applications short of the target. Clerk would make contact with Openreach.

**8 Parish Plan Update - Ref: 296**

**a) Communication - Ref: 297**

A newsletter was suggested for the end of July.

**i) Parish council logo - Ref: 298**

Various logos were circulated and one was chosen.

**b) Celebrations / Remembrance Occasions - Ref: 299**

**These are draft minutes and have not been formally approved and adopted**

Various ideas were discussed regarding Remembrance Sunday to include inviting the local RBL to the event, a procession from the green to the memorial, re-location of the memorial and installation of a new memorial. Involvement of the school would also be investigated and Cllr Cundill will make contact. It was suggested to place a stone trough in memory of the Queen and Prince Philip. A tree (Oak or Chestnut) would be planted in to celebration of the Coronation. Clerk to obtain prices.

**c) Village Events - Ref: 300**

A Scarecrow Weekend was suggested for 2024.

**d) Weekly Coffee Mornings - Ref: 301**

The coffee mornings had now been merged with the North Kelsey Community Association.

Cllr Robinson was still working through feedback from coffee mornings in to what can be done and what cannot.

**e) Litter Picking - Ref: 302**

**f) Playing Field - Ref: 303**

Concern was raised regarding glass in the play area. Clerk to investigate cameras in the play area.

Reports would be made to the Police but with scarce resources it was unlikely to be investigated unless a crime was in progress or evidence was available.

Concern was also raised with potential drug use as metal canisters had been found.

Concern was also raised with the lack on bin emptying at the play area. This had already been raised with WLDC and Cllr Morris would further report.

Cllr Jackson was still awaiting quotes for resurfacing of the entrance and fence repairs.

Play equipment safety report was required - Clerk to arrange.

**g) Graveyard - Ref: 304**

It was resolved to close the water account and associated supply due to lack of use. Water butts would be investigated at the Chapel to supply water.

The establishment of a rose garden for relatives was discussed starting with the Council planting a few roses. A suitable location would be agreed and brought back to a future meeting together with a maintenance plan.

It was resolved to join the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management (ICCM) at a cost of £95 / annum.

Proposed: Cllr A. Robinson Seconder: Cllr J. Cundill All in favour

**i) Memorial safety testing course - Ref: 305**

The course was scheduled for 9th September.

Two complimentary places would be taken by Carl Thomas/Mary Williams and Reg Hunt would attend as a paying attendee at £150.00.

Proposed: Cllr J. Cundill Seconder: Cllr A. Robinson All in favour

**h) Speed Signs & Speed Controls - Ref: 306**

The Clerk confirmed that there had been a delay in agreeing the new signs on Easthall Road due to staffing issues at LCC. This had now been resolved and a site meeting was scheduled for 18th July to progress. Further issues were identified along Brigg Road, Carr Lane and Grange Lane.

It was resolved to purchase a pack of wheelie bin, speed stickers at a cost of £119

Proposed: Cllr P. Bryan Seconder: Cllr A. Robinson All in favour

**9 Parish Matters - Ref: 307**

**a) To discuss damage and littering at play area - Ref: 308**

This was discussed at item 7(f).

**f) Review tracking report - Ref: 309**

20539 - Owmbly Lane Connection to Main Sewer

No progress had been made

20626 - New Benches

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Two benches had been delivered 11/07/23. The Clerk would make contact with Caistor Lions regarding installation.

**20683 - Picnic Benches**

Since the original presentation prices had been increased by £56.

It was resolved to pay the additional £56.

Proposer: Cllr A. Robinson Seconder: Cllr J. Cundill All in favour

**20960 - Parish Branding**

A logo had now been agreed.

**21059 - Reserves Policy**

It was resolved to adopt the Reserves Policy.

Proposer: Cllr J. Cundill Seconder: Cllr A. Robinson All in Favour

**21155 - Speeding - Easthall Road**

This had been discussed under item 7(h)

**9 Clerks report - Relevant correspondence received - Ref: 310**

None received

**10 Planning applications and decisions received - Ref: 311**

None received

**11 Next meeting will be Tuesday 08/08/23 at 7 pm - Ref: 314**

Items for the agenda by 01/08/23

Meeting closed at 9.12 pm