



ROPSLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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MEETING OF ROPSLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ropsley & District Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Ropsley on
Thursday, 19 September

Cllrs present: Cllr P Buckley – Chair, Cllr A Marshall – Vice Chair, Cllr A Sentence, Cllr N Gosbee, Cllr Rowbotham, Cllr Reeve, Cllr K Porter, Dist. Cllr S Trotter, County Cllr Hill.

Note taker: Cllr K Porter

The Chairman welcomed all present.

Public Forum

One member of the public was present.

A representative of the local Women's Institute raised the question of the proposed tree to be located within the village of Ropsley. It was agreed by Council to have the tree planted next to the village green. Once a date has been arranged for planting a delegation from the Council would attend.

Public Forum closed and the Chairman opened the Parish Council meeting

2 Apologies (19/24)

Apologies received from Cllr Leslie and the Parish Clerk. Reason for absence noted and accepted by Council members

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests and Dispensations (19/25)

None

4 Signing of the Minutes (19/26)

In the absence of the Parish Clerk Council resolved to defer signing until the next meeting.

5.0 Report from District and County Councillors (19/27)

Cllr Trotter presented her report.

In response to previous comments regarding the activities of White's recycling representation has been made by Cllr Trotter who has been assured, when activity commences, there will be no night-time deliveries. Notes of comments to be forwarded to the Chairman.

The proposed waste site at Dembleby was raised. Council requested the site be properly managed in order to avoid negative impact on the local environment.

It was confirmed Wicket Gates were being dealt with through SKDC

It was noted after the recent work to trees, one or two had been missed. Cllr Sentence will liaise with Cllr Trotter, who will take the matter up with the relevant department.

Praise was given by Cllrs Sentence and Gosbee regarding the work carried out by both the District and County Councils in respect of grass cutting.

County Councillor M Hill presented his report.

The next phase of the Grantham bypass has been approved and work would be commencing imminently.

Surface dressing of local roads has and is continuing to be carried out. Additional areas near Humby would be referred to next year.

The issue of the Braceby Road pinch point was discussed considering the adjacent quarry being reopened. Cllr Hill to investigate further.

6.0 FINANCE (19/28)

6.1 To approve the following payments:

6.1.1 Autela Payroll – 2 nd quarter	47.08
6.1.2 HMRC – PAYE	159.20
6.1.3 A Illingworth – Salary	212.20
6.1.4 n Coyle – Community Cleaner	123.00

6.2 Approval of Financial Statement and Budget deferred until next meeting.

6.3 In the absence of the Responsible Finance Officer (RFO) the approval to purchase Microsoft Office 365 for laptop deferred until next meeting.

6.4 In the absence of the RFO Council agreed more details were required to approve a budget for the purchase of bins. Carried forward to the next meeting.

6.5 Donation from Mr Burrows received with thanks.

6.6 In the absence of the RFO confirmation of payment to the Baboons and Village Hall carried forward to next meeting.

6.7 In the absence of the RFO an update on instant access bank accounts carried forward to the next meeting.

6.8 The Council deferred the discussion re electoral costs to the next meeting.

In the absence of the Clerk/RFO Council to arrange a meeting with the Clerk. Chair, Vice Chair to discuss Financial Reporting.

7.0 Matters arising from the last minutes (19/29)

7.1 The new news was discussed briefly with Cllr Sentence confirming this was only available online.

7.2 The location of a tree to be provided by the local Woman's Institute covered under Public Forum.

8.0 Planning (19/30)

8.1 Applications

Dembleby Farm discussed under County Cllrs report

8.2 Decisions

8.2.1 S19/1021 – Ropsley Quarry. Application approved 19 August 2019

8.2.2 S19/1333 – Village Hall – Non material alterations to application s18/0582. Approved 11 Sept.

9.0 Matters Affecting the Village (19/31)

9.1 Judging for the Best Kept Village has taken place. The council would like to send a note of thanks to all those involved in making the Village look so nice.

9.2 Cllr Marshall confirmed a submission document has been prepared regarding the designation of greens. This would be shared in due course.

9.3 Council resolved to seek to procure one new noticeboard each year to replace all existing ones.

10.0 Highways (19/32)

10.1 A resident of Ropsey had submitted a report to the Clerk regarding flooding in the village. This had been distributed to all members. It was agreed the Clerk should make representation to the relevant highway authority in order to ascertain what might be done to alleviate the situation

10.2 A resident has reported the illegal disposal of oil into public drainage. Notices have been put up asking people to refrain from such practice.

10.3 No comments were made regarding the road surface on Church and School Lane

10.4 No comments were received regarding road repairs in Humby

11.0 Neighbourhood Plan (19/33)

11.1 The Neighbourhood Plan Committee reported the second Grant had been approved, relevant payments made, and a new grant application submitted.

11.2 The Committee is working hard on a draft plan, which is due for release in January 2020.

12.0 Village Hall (19/34)

12.1 It was reported the revised "silver" proposal had been approved and funding is now in place. Commencement of the project is imminent with the project taking approx. 1 year

13.0 Councillors Responsibilities (19/35)

13.1 The proposed responsibility Matrix was completed and will be distributed in due course.

14.0 Next meeting (19/36)

The date of the next meeting is planned for Thursday 14 November