

## KEADBY WITH ALTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

These are the Minutes of the Meeting of Keadby With Althorpe Parish Council, held in the William Stephenson Memorial Hall, Althorpe on Wednesday 8 January 2020

**Present:** Cllrs: P Hornsby (Chairman), M Buckley, E Davis, G Haynes, P Johnson, B Pearson, K Russell, L Smith, J Sharp, A Wills and Ward Councillor Briggs

**Start Time:** 7.15pm

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| <b>1.0</b> | <p><b>Apologies</b><br/>Cllrs K Fenney, N Bond, M Broadbent, A Carroll and E Timmins</p>   |
| <b>2.0</b> | <p><b>Public Participation Session with Respect to Items on the Agenda</b><br/>None</p>  |
| <b>3.0</b> | <p><b>Matters Arising from Draft Minutes</b><br/>Cllr Russell Proposed that the Draft Minutes of 18 December 2019 be accepted as a true record; Seconded by Cllr Wills; All in Favour.</p> <p>It was <b>Resolved</b> that the Minutes of 18 December 2019 be accepted as a true record.</p>  |
| <b>4.0</b> | <p><b>Declaration of Interest</b><br/>None</p>   |
| <b>5.0</b> | <p><b>Dispensation Request</b><br/>None</p>  |
| <b>6.0</b> | <p><b>Highways</b></p>   |
| 6.1        | <p>Cllr Wills reported that the waste collection lorry currently reverses up over the grass verge, causing deep gouges in the soil. Cllr Wills said that this practice needs to stop and the verge needs to be reinstated. Cllr Briggs said that he will write to the Waste Management team.</p>   |
| 6.2        | <p>Cllr Buckley raised the issue of litter outside the post office; around the village and underneath the hedge, next to the New Generation Recreation Field car park. The Clerk was requested to write to all businesses which sell products which could contribute to the litter issue, asking them to place a bin outside their premises, and empty it themselves. The Clerk has also received a letter regarding Keadby's litter problem from a resident, who requested that the Parish Council take immediate action. Cllr Smith said that 'The Great British Spring Clean' was due soon and it would be good to organise a community litter pick, under this banner. Cllr Briggs will investigate whether the Community Payback Team could litter pick under the hedges.</p> |
| 6.3        | <p>Cllr Wills informed the Parish Council that the gutters were full of compacted soil to the extent that plants are growing in it. The Clerk will bring this matter to NLC Highways' attention.</p>   |
| 6.4        | <p>Cllr Davis asked when the resurfacing of Woodgarr Avenue would take place. The Clerk stated that it will be completed in February.</p>  |
| <b>7.0</b> | <p><b>High Speed Broadband</b><br/>Councillor Briggs informed Councillors that discussions have been ongoing on the possibility of expanding rural broadband, with a fibre offering, and asked if the Parish Council would like Quickline and a representative from the NLC ICT department to attend the March Parish Council meeting. The Parish Council thanked Cllr Briggs for his assistance and accepted his offer. The Clerk will put this item on March's Agenda.</p>   |

<b>8.0</b>	<b>Planning</b> No planning for this month
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Cemetery Fees</b> Cemetery Fees were discussed and the Clerk was asked to investigate how much other parish's councils are charging, before the Parish Council make a decision on any increase in charges.
<b>10.0</b>	<b>Resident's Complaint</b> Councillors discussed a resident's complaint regarding the impact the re-direction of all Keady 2 traffic around the village is having on local businesses. The Clerk advised Councillors that this redirection of traffic had been a provision on the Planning Application for Keady 2. Councillors then requested the Clerk write to the resident and make them aware of this Planning Provision and state that the Parish Council would look again at the possibility of a sign, at the entrance to Keady, advertising the businesses in the village. Cllr Briggs said he would investigate the possibility of such a sign being erected and would also ascertain if it would require planning permission.
<b>11.0</b>	<b>Finances and Payments</b>
11.1	<u>2020/2021 Budget</u> The 2020/2021 Budget was viewed and discussed by Councillors. Cllr Davis Proposed that the budget be accepted; Seconded by Cllr Smith; All in Favour.  It was <b>Resolved</b> that the proposed 2020/2021 Budget be Accepted.
11.2	<u>2020/2021 Precept</u> After a lengthy discussion, the 2020/2021 Precept was discussed. Cllr Buckley Proposed that it be set at £40,000, to allow the Council to carry out more works in the Parish; Seconded by Cllr Davis. Cllr Russell's counter proposal to set the Precept at £37,500 was Seconded by Cllr Haynes. The counter proposal, by a show of hands, was Accepted (10 in favour and none against).  It was <b>Resolved</b> that the 2020/2021 Precept, including the discretionary grant would be £37,500
11.3	<u>List of Payments for Approval</u> Cllr Johnson Proposed that the payments detailed below be Accepted; Seconded by Cllr Buckley. All in Favour.  It was <b>resolved</b> that the List of Payments be Approved.
<b>12.0</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7:15pm

Cheque	Recipient	Reason	Nett	VAT	Gross
402120	R Haynes	January Salary			Confidential
402121	HMRC	January PAYE			Confidential
402122	G Potter	Handyman's Payment for December	350.00		350.00
402123	St Oswald's Church Hall	Replacement cheque for 402077 which was destroyed in error	600.00		600.00