

2023/24 – 07

Minutes of a meeting of Ashby Parkland Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th November 2023 at 6pm in Gunness Village Hall.

PRESENT : Chairman: Cllr B Holloway, Cllr L Walker, Cllr P Devine, Cllr C Waters, Cllr S Black.

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr J Walshe, Mrs K Pickering(Clerk).

PUBLIC FORUM

1. **APOLOGIES :**None.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY AGENDA ITEM :** No matters to declare.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7th SEPTEMBER 2023**

Proposed by Cllr P Devine, seconded by Cllr C Waters and agreed unanimously.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES**

- Hedge – Ashfield to Lindsey lodge – this hedge has been cut back.

5. **PLANNING** - Opportunity for one person from each side to state within 3 minutes objection/support of contested applications.

No planning applications received.

6. **FINANCE**

| Accounts for payment: | Ch. No. | Amount |
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| 1. Clerk - Salary – Oct/Nov | 100654 | 374.70 |
| 2. Clerks Expenses : | | |
| Stamps – 13.50 | | |
| stationery/photocopy – 6.56 | | |
| Travel - £20.00 | | |
| Total Expenses | 100655 | 40.06 |
| 3. Inland Revenue – for October | 100656 | 33.20 |
| 4. Inland Revenue - for November | 100657 | 33.40 |
| 5. Room Hire – Nov 23 | 100658 | 15.00 |
| 6. N.L.C – charges for parish election | 100659 | 1,200.00 |

The above accounts were approved for payment – proposed by Cllr P Devine and seconded by Cllr C Waters and unanimously agreed.

Income Received : 0

b) To receive Income and Expenditure year to date sheet – circulated with agenda.

c) To discuss and set the precept for 2024/5. The clerk provided an analysis to indicate the reserves likely to be held at the end of this financial year. The clerk advised that a precept should be set which will help to recoup some of the £1,000 reserve which has been lost due to election costs. The clerk also advised that it may not be possible for the parish council to provide donations towards coach trips and parish events in the next financial year.

The clerk advised that the national pay review for 2023/4 has been agreed with the hourly rate for the clerk increasing by £1/hour – back paid to April 2023. The clerk suggested that this pay review be implemented in April 2024 (including the back paid owed for the financial year 2023/4) due to the tight cash flow for the remainder of this year. The meeting agreed to this suggestion.

IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to set the precept at **£6,200** for the financial year 2024/5 with the understanding that the Parish Council may not be able to financially support the coach trip(s) or parish events in the next financial year.

7. North Lincolnshire council matters:

- a) Report from Ward Councillor J Walshe : Cllr Walshe reported that the hedge has been cut back by N.L.C from Ashfield to Lindsey Lodge and that he had been in discussion with the site owners of Ashfield to encourage them to make repairs to the potholes on the site.
- b) Any new N.L.C matters to report: No new matters to report.

8. Parish Matters

- a) NATS meeting – Cllr Walshe reported on the NATS meeting held on 31/10/23 in Gunness village hall. It was reported that the local Police Constable has left and a replacement is not in position as yet. The funding for the ‘Yellow Fin’ operation is retained as this has been a successful way of curtailing anti social behavior conducted on quad bikes. The date of the next NATS meeting is to be confirmed.
- b) Ashfield Park Residents Association has been disbanded with surplus funds given to charity.
- c) The Ashfield Park Neighborhood Watch group is continuing and going from strength to strength.
- d) Parklands Neighborhood Watch Scheme – It was reported that a proper committee has been formed and that this group will be holding a Christmas party.
- e) Any new local or site matters: It was noted that The Police have been patrolling the area at night time which is much appreciated by local residents.

9. Correspondence

North Lincolnshire Council – Forthcoming meetings
ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
ERNLLCA newsletter

10. Agenda items for next meeting.

11. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 9th January 2024.