

Minutes of North Cotes Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 14th September 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom

Due to the Covid 19 outbreak, no Parish Council meetings have been able to take place since 23rd March 2020. As lockdown measures began to ease it was agreed for the Parish Council to get together via Zoom to reconnect.

Present: Councillor Hicks, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Gautrey, Councillor Marsh, Councillor Brearley, Councillor Annett and District Councillor McMillan and Councillor Daniel McNally

Apologies: Councillor van der Horst

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** – The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following points were noted:

Notice Board Replacement – ongoing

Pot Holes - No progress has been made on potholes due to Covid 19, but it was noted that some roads had been marked up so maybe it will start getting sorted sooner rather than later, but keep reporting using ‘Fix my street’

Check your speed signs - ongoing

Public Footpath – There is still concern about the missing footpath. It was agreed that it was in the best interest of the village to get this footpath reinstated. Action: Parish Clerk to liaise with East Lindsey

Speed Limit Reduction – It was noted that the speed limit on the Sea Lane is 60mph and upon entering the built-up estate (Kenneth Campbell Road) the limit drops to 20mph. The committee agreed that the speed should be looked at and the 60mph should be lowered upon approach to the estate as a lot of children live there and play on the greens. - Ongoing

2. **MATTERS ARISING**

2.1 Rural Safety Partnership – Speed Watch Scheme update – No further updates or news. No police meetings have taken place and due to the current pandemic, there are currently no scheduled dates for meetings.

2.2 Village Hall/Church – update – It was requested to find out if the replacement windows for the village hall had been organised as there was a time limit on the funding and this was due to expire very soon. It was agreed that the Church yard was becoming overgrown and that the Parish Council organise voluntary gardening groups to help return the church yard to a welcoming place for all.

Action: Parish clerk so send out Facebook community request for volunteers to help on a Tuesday and a Sunday.

- 2.3 Overview of Crime – update** – All quiet in the crime front at the minute, although it was noted that some criminal activity was on the rise again for people to remain vigilant.
- 3. CORRESPONDANCE –**
- 3.1 Traffic Regulation Order** – An email was received with regards to the dangerous parking on Thoresby Road. It was noted that the cars are legitimately parked and it is believed that there isn't much that can be done as they are effectively parked on their own property. It was discussed that maybe large vehicle owners could be asked to park carefully so as not to block the view from the junction.
- 3.2 Fleetway Traffic** – An email was received with regards to the speed of traffic on Fleetway. It was agreed that an Archer Survey to be carried out and report back at the next meeting.
- 3.3 Family History** – An email was received from M Wray looking to trace his Great Grandfathers grave. It was noted that North Cotes do not hold any records and that we should point Mr Wray in the direction of Lincoln as they hold all the parish records for burials at North Cotes.
- 4. FINANCE**
- 4.1 Accounts** - It was noted that the accounts had gone to the accountant and would need to be signed off at the next meeting before sending to the external auditor.
- 4.2 Cheques** – The following cheques were approved:
Parish Clerk Wages – cheque No: 324
- 4.3 Other** – It was agreed the Parish Council Chair to purchase a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council for the North Cotes War Memorial.
- 5. AOB**
- John Davis** – it was noted that the body of missing North Cotes man John Davis had been found. The Parish Council had wished that the outcome had been different, and their thoughts were with his family.

The date for the next meeting - was fixed as Monday 16th November 2020 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall. It is hoped to meet in person provided that the ease to Lockdown continues.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm