

# Algarkirk Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ALGARKIRK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023, 7.20pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ALGARKIRK

Present: Councillors: D Reid, G Reid, M Spiller, E Walker and S Walker  
Also Present: Mrs M Warr (Clerk), BBCllrs David Brown and James Cantwell

## PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public in attendance

### 48/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr E Taylor, and Lincolnshire County Councillor Mike Brookes

### 49/23 MEMBERS DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE

The declaration from Cllr E Walker was signed and accepted

### 50/23 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

### 51/23 MINUTES

The minutes of the annual and monthly meetings, held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023, were presented.

#### **RESOLVED:**

**That, the minutes of the annual and monthly meetings, held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023, are approved as a true record.**

### 52/53 PLANNING

The following decisions were noted.

Applications Granted:

B/22/0373 – The Coach House – one dwelling (revised)

Applications Refused:

B/23/005 – The Chestnuts – Proposed siting of 4 static holiday caravans

#### **New Plans:**

To consider any observation on B/23/0198 - Outer Dowsing Offshore/Onshore, Lincolnshire Coast Line, Statutory Pre-Application and Scoping Consultation to Boston Borough Council under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 prior to the submission of an application for Phase 2 of the Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind proposals to include both offshore and onshore infrastructure for a generating station and up to 93 wind turbines at Outer Dowsing Offshore/Onshore, Lincolnshire Coast Line.

The BB Cllrs reported on a recent consultation meeting regarding the application. The application was in its very early days but there had been assurances that there would be no disruption to the highways if the application was approved. Additionally, there would be a community fund made available that Algarikirk PC could apply for. Members were broadly supportive and agreed to send a comment supporting in principle and requesting additional information on the community fund.

53/23 POLICE REPORT

The police report for the end of April 2023 showed no crimes had been reported. Cllr Spiller reported vandalism to the notice board attached to the Village Hall. Thanks was expressed to local businessman Wayne Francis who had offered to replace the board free of charge.

54/23 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk circulated a report ahead of the meeting. The main item of note was the offer of litter picking kits from Lincolnshire County Council. It was agreed to request 10 packs. BBCllr Cantwell highlighted the Boston Litter Champion scheme.

A discussion took place on the availability of dog waste bins and BBCllr Cantwell said he was arranging an assessment of the dog waste bins in Sutterton and would arrange the same for Algarikirk. He would also investigate a suggestion of 'sponsoring' a dog waste bin to allow an additional bin to be emptied if it was not on the schedule.

**RESOLVED: that, 10 litter picking kits would be requested from Lincolnshire County Council**

55/23 ALGARKIRK CHURCH

The Clerk had met with the Rural Dean, Lis Ward, as she was unable to attend the meeting. Rev Ward was very supportive of the wish to re open the Church for community use and selective church services. She had obtained approval from the Archdeacon to allow the community payback team to clean the Church. The PC was invited to submit a paper outlining possible usage and as a first event, Rev Ward suggested a community carol service.

This was welcomed by the PC and two dates would be put forward for the service – 10<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> December. A discussion took place on possible Church usage, including developing the heritage aspect and the PC were very keen to reinstate the Remembrance Service. Items such as Messy Church and general community fairs and fetes could also be encouraged. It was agreed to compile a paper for submission and arrange a meeting with members of the Diocese at the Church.

**RESOLVED: that, a paper outlining possible usage for the Church should be submitted to the Rural Dean.**

**That, two dates for a Carol Service would be submitted – 10<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm.**

56/23 REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS:

**Village Hall:** as reported above the damaged notice board will be repaired by a local businessman free of charge.

**Playing Field:** The wood to repair the climbing frame was not available and it was agreed that a repair by volunteers may negate the insurance. Therefore, investigations will be made to obtain quotes for a repair by a verified company.

The suggestion of installing a 10m 'Monkey Challenge' was discussed. Not all Members were in agreement but it was decided to obtain more details on possible funding and there was also a suggestion of installing a balance beam. This will be brought back to the next meeting.

The installation of security cameras was deferred as Cllr Taylor was not at the meeting.

**Churchyard:** No items were discussed.

57/23 FINANCE REPORT

The bank reconciliation and financial statements were noted.

**RESOLVED: that, the following invoices are approved:**

**M Warr – salary for May and June (paid by Standing Order) - £407.84**

**M Warr – additional hours to service the end of the financial year, the May meeting and election procedures – 4 hours - £64.64**

**Boston Borough Council - election recharge - £76.87**

58/23 COMMEMORATION OF THE CORONATION OF THE KING

It was noted that the framed photo of the King, that will be free to local authorities, is not yet available.

59/23 LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL & BOSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS

Lincolnshire County Councillor Mike Brookes was unable to attend.

BBCllrs Cantwell and Brown reported on the recent BB council meetings and Cllr Brown was congratulated on his election as Mayor. The councillors were establishing monthly ward surgeries and they emphasised that these were to discuss borough matters and they did not wish to interfere in parish items. The next meeting is at Sutterton Village Hall on 23<sup>rd</sup> July between 12 and 1pm. There will be a meeting Algarkirk in August. Details of the meeting will be displayed on the notice boards and website.

60/23 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No new items were identified

61/23 NEXT MEETINGS

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 7.20pm at the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed -----

Date. -----