

ALGARKIRK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 17th May 2022 at 8.15

In attendance: Councillor D Reid (Chairman)

**Councillors S Walker (Vice Chairman), E Walker, E Taylor, G Reid M. Spiller
County Councillor Mike Brookes Boston Borough Councillor Michael Cooper**

132.57 Appoint Chairman and Vice Chairman

Cllr G Reid nominated Diana Reid. Seconded by Cll S Walker
Cllr Diana Reid proposed Stephen Walker to Stay in his chair as vice chair. Seconded
by Cllr E Walker

Cllr Diana Reid

Thank you very much for voting me back into Chair.

132.58 Declarations of interest none

132.59 apologies none

132.60 To approve minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2022

CC Mike Brookes They have me as attending and I wasn't here.

Chairman Cllr D Reid I'll correct the minutes to reflect this

132.61 Police Report None

132.62 Report on outstanding matters from previous meetings

Just one it's here. I actually have the coins from the Royal Mint. If you'd like to pass them around, just to show everybody what we've purchased. Now they're to give to the children over the parish. They they're from the Royal Mint. I did phone up LALC to advise me. Amy looked it all up for me and apparently any resident who you feel deserves it can be given a gift no more than the value of eight pounds, eighty three. Approved minutes proposed by Vice Chairman C **Stephen Walker** 2nd **Cllr G Reid**

132.63 Queens Platinum Jubilee arrangements

Councillor M Spiller

A poster and our Facebook. Site advertises our afternoon tea and the children's gift for Algarkirk Village residents. Mandy and the girls will help but it would be nice if anybody else could help please just for the afternoon. Obviously, in helping to make sandwiches and to remove plates and things

Friday 3rd June between two and four o'clock are proposing to open the Village Hall. any parent and children that would like to come and collect their coins from the village hall.

A traditional afternoon tea of mixed sandwiches, with garnish, cakes and scones with cream and jam. Will be available. Children will also have a colouring. I expect Between 40 and 50 people including children. Lots of people showed an interest in coming up for afternoon from Lee Avenue.

I gave the chair a shopping list and Morrison's invoice for reimbursement

Chairman D Reid volunteered to help

C G Reid. Offered some Union Jack and red, white and blue bunting, along with some paper chain kits. And to help put the bunting up and one the day.

132.64 Village Hall

During the week I spoke with Mandy regarding the damage caused by the dove and pigeons that have been roosting in the Bell Tower of the Hall. They have made a hole under the tiles to get in again and have

made a lot more damage The ceiling of the cupboard it has fallen in and there was an horrendous smell. Councillors Stephen Walker, Elaine Walker and Mandy Spiller agreed that the Parish Council pay for the damage to be repaired.

132.68 Planning

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I spoke with the planning officer about this and objections received from near neighbours. We were not keen on this development but knew that objections would not make any difference

132.65 Playing field

Cllr S Walker

I noticed that the parish council right kindly purchased the paint that was required for the gold in the playing field. And at the time We had no bank records at all for the playing field management committee's bank account. I went into Lloyds Bank, and I was surprised to find that we've actually got 2455 pounds, and three, three, which we know nothing about. We got no bank statement because there's been not a routine in the last financial year. So out of the blue, we've now got this new two and a half grand. So I think it's only right and proper that the playing field committee reimburses the parish council for the paint because obviously it's to do with the playing field, my next point. I proposed then that we paid Martin Reid a small amount of 25 pounds for his work in clearing the storm damaged tree, I now propose that the parish council is allowed to invoice the playing field committee. We will then reimburse them for that as well. Thank you.

Proposed by **vice Chairman Cllr S Walker** Seconded by **Cllr G Reid**

132.66 Councillors Issues

Chairman C D Reid

We have put in an advert for a parish councillor for three hours a week. Clark working from home and there will be extra hours for attended meetings. The Work is flexible and meetings take place bi monthly. But we also thought because there needs to be some work done on the website that if they take longer doing that, then we will obviously pay them extra to do that as well. we put in that we've got the computer and printer or they can use their own if required. So that closing date is the 24th of June.

C C M Brookes

We had a problem trying to get a clerk in Swineshead and we advertised several times and got a very poor response. This last time we advertised we put what the salary was we actually quoted a salary, we got a good response.

Chairman C D Reid

Highways....Washdike Road and Green Lane have quite serious potholes and subsistence issues

Lincolnshire Farm Produce have store sheds there and their machinery is huge. bigger than the road and it's causing potholes along both sides. So when it rains a lot in the winter that it floods the whole of the road and further down the road there's big holes the whole of that road is very bad. Lincolnshire farm produce said that they would reinstate the dikes because they've all been pushed in. But really, the roads aren't fit for purpose anymore with the size of these vehicles. Anyhow, she has reported it on a number of occasions. She now has a family of Ukrainians coming over one of which is almost totally blind. But there is no way that he's going to be able to even walk along the road on his own. He's going to need an awful lot of help because he's going to fall over because of the state of the road.

She reported them a number of times with photographs...still nothing has been done!

***C G Reid** if you're on a push bike. It's quite dangerous, you have to sit in the middle of the road otherwise you're going to go fall down In the road, even then in the middle of the road it's quite dangerous

BBC Michael Cooper

Yes, and they're quite big potholes that come out and deep, we managed it. you'd sort of veer in between where's the best way to go.

CC Mike Brookes

I'll email the highways manager tomorrow. Say that it's come up and there's been a lot of reports. workhouse Road and Church Lane which had some of the potholes are in done in the difficult part. This was over a year ago Chairman C D Reid

That's right. Huge ones down there. And I couldn't actually find anyone to report it to verbally, when I searched the site.

132.67 Correspondence

We have notified Alan Watts regarding the following complaints;

1. the arrival of three the static caravans. caravan storage? We don't know. the place has been called; the creamery. The granary,. The coach House. Owned by Mrs Darrell Loizou

2. A Resident has had a letter the letter from a Sutterton complaining about the large trees overhanging their gardens from the paddock. They also the pigs being kept there and the Burning of the pig and sheep waste products. The letter has been sent to the wrong person, It should be sent to Mrs Darrell Loizou. They need to have a license for pigs. the problem is that they're burning the pig waste and the sheep waste also needs dealing with

3. A complaint that we had regarding the house. 'Casablanca 'apparently, they have now have three or four static caravans In the front driveway. Yes, people are living in them. There's always a lot of people there. they had one touring caravan for storage but these are statics.

132.68 Temporary Finance Officer:

Cllr E Walker I've given you a copy of the balance sheet, receipts and payments. And as you can see, we seem to have accumulated an extra £4.5 k over the last 12 months. Most of that is due to the clerk salary, not being as high as it would normally be. And a lot of it is because we've obviously put some bumps on the for the street lighting. But we are spending obviously some of that amount will be spent within the Platinum Jubilee and the visual roof, etc, etc. But apart from that, as you can tell, really need me to go through it particularly. We are in quite a healthy situation. for most eventualities. Agree, approve and Sign end of year audit.

The accounts for year ending 31st March2022 were perused and signed by the internal auditor. Both sections have been circulated for resolution, signed off and forwarded to PKF Littljohn.

proposed by **Chairman Cllr D Reid 2nd Vice- Chair Cllr S Walker.**

The following sections were Reviewed and assessed.

132.69 Resolution 1 Annual Governance Statement

Proposed by **Cllr G Reid 2nd by Cllr E Taylor**

132.70 Resolution 2 Certificate of Exemption

Proposed by **Chairman Cllr D Reid 2nd Vice-Chair Cllr S Walker**

132.71 Resolution 3 Accounting Statement

Proposed by Vice-Chair Cllr S Walker 2nd by **Cllr G Reid**

Chairman C D Reid

Thank you very much for that Elaine. Thank you this is really, really useful and helpful that you've taken that on for now

132.72 Clerk and Finance Report: Budget update

Cheque for £240.90 D.Reid (Royal Mint)

Cheque For £103.13 D.Reid (for Pay Back team to paint Play Equipment

Cheque for £323.70 Donna Slade sent by registered delivery

132.73 Lincolnshire County Council Matters and Boston Borough Council information/reports

CC Mike Brookes

Remember me mentioning the customers county views panel where they asked for people to sign up to so they can on things. Ask your views on things thinking doing going forward? Well, they're asking us bringing up meetings like this. Just write the email addresses of anybody who might be interested in doing and they will email you the surveys about it so you won't have to go on the Council's website, looking for it.

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Date of next meeting confirmation 12th July 2022