

Donington on Bain Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 30th July 2018,
Held in the Village Hall at 7.20pm.

Present: Cllr. M. Fisher, Cllr. J. Burnham, Cllr. F. Beaney – (Late), Cllr. J.Scutt, Mrs. J. Grainger (Clerk & RFO).

The meeting opened at 7.20pm, no members of the public present.

93.18 Apologies for absence – Cllr. J. Turner, Cllr. K. White, Cllr. Fisher reported that Cllr. Beaney would be arriving late.

94.18 Declaration of Interest – Non received.

95.18 To approve the minutes of the meeting held June 2018 – The minutes of the meeting were checked and resolved and signed as a true record. Proposed Cllr. Fisher, Seconded Cllr. J. Burnham. Resolved.

96.18 Chairman's & Councils Comment – Cllr. Scutt reported that the willow tree at the closed church yard had not yet been pruned as arranged earlier in the spring, which was now causing obstruction due to the length of some of the branches. After discussions the clerk was requested to establish why the contractor had not carried out the work, and requested to obtain new quotations for the work to be carried out in the autumn. Scutt also reported that a headstone was leaning in the closed church yard.

97.18 Clerks Report - The clerk reported that the play inspection had been returned. The clerk requested content for the next newsletter, to be handed to her by September.

98.18 Correspondence - The quarterly LALC magazine was received & distributed. A highways letter regarding road closure was received and distributed. A letter was received regarding the gifting of a new seat in the closed churchyard, and a letter was received regarding the renewal of lease for paddock. After discussions it was proposed that the clerk write to the current leaseholder, with details of the renewal terms and conditions. An email was received regarding a fundraising and awareness event being organised by The Lincolnshire Protectors – with specific reference to the proposed Biscathorpe Oil Well plans. To be circulated and advertised.

99.18 Finance

Expenditure - To approve Accounts for payment: Proposed Cllr. Fisher (Chairman), Seconded Cllr Burnham (Vice-Chair). Resolved. Mrs. J. Grainger – Clerk - £364.99, LALC (newsletter subs) - £5.00, BW Maintenance – Grass cutting May, June & July - £978.00.

Income – VAT return - £697.63, Tennis subs- £34.00. Cemetery Fee's - £100.00

The clerk requested that a transfer of funds be made from the Treasurers Account to the Business Account.

100.18 To update Asset Register – updated. It was established that the Parish Council have only one seat currently identified, and having recently been gifted a seat in the closed church yard added it to the asset register. The laminator and printer were removed due to being broken.

101.18 Update on Cemetery & closed church yard. The clerk reported a quote for the wall repair around the church was not to be a traditional repair, but modern, which was not what the council requested, and she would seek other repair quotations. The clerk reported that she would be writing to all grave owners, (or families of), with details of maintenance requirements, as some stones have become loose and required resetting. Others which are completely loose have been laid down for safety reasons. If owners, (or family members), cannot be found the clerk proposed that the stones be

removed to a designated location, until such a time that the Parish Council has enough funding to reset these stones. The current Parish Council funds are not sufficient for this work to take place. The clerk reported under correspondence that she had received a letter from the Church Wardens, gifting a seat recently placed in Gods Acre in the closed church yard. The clerk has added this to the asset register, as required by the Parish Council.

102.18 Update on Recreation Areas- The clerk reported that no more surveys had been received back. It was proposed that the questionnaire be placed in the next newsletter. Proposed Cllr. Fisher (Chairman), Seconded Cllr. Scutt. The clerk received the inspection report 30.07.18, which was circulated just prior to the meeting. It highlighted a temporary repair, with recommended manufacturers replacement parts, as well as 2/3 medium risk items, including signage and fence repairs. The main area highlighted for attention was the surface of the play area, with the clerk requested to add this item to the next agenda, for discussion. Proposed Cllr. Fisher (Chairman), Cllr. Scutt. Resolved.

103.18 To Discuss Planning Applications & Decisions- Planning application N/042/00792 & 793/18 - erection of 3 properties – no further information at present – deferred until September Meeting.

104.18 Update on culvert & Dyke maintenance - The quotation has not yet been received from the site meeting for the clearance of the dyke – clerk to chase up. Another contractor has been identified for a price, but has not yet had a site meeting. It was proposed that the clerk write to all residents to be affected by the work this autumn. There is likely to be some hedge and tree reduction where it currently overhangs the dyke, with all temporary structure requiring removal in order for the work to be carried out. Additionally, the lease holder for the paddock would have to be informed of the work, as the paddock size will be reduced for the duration of the work.

105.18 To discuss highway debris left – The Chairman reported that he had spoken to the contractor concerned, who assured him the debris would be removed in the very near future.

106.18 To receive update regarding Biscathorpe Oil Well Application – Cllr Scutt reported that the Environmental Services had recently held an awareness day at the village hall, attended by local residents, which was well organised with knowledgeable representatives. Cllr. Scutt reported that a survey had been distributed throughout the village by Lincolnshire Protectors, to gain public feedback – with an event planned to raise funds for the Lincolnshire Protectors. 08.09.18 – clerk to display posters in notice boards.

Meeting Closed 8.40pm
Date of next Meeting 24.09.18