

Minutes of the Meeting of AUSTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Monday 18th November 2019.

Councillor's present: Cllr Cox, Cllr Goodall, Cllr Crawford and Cllr Kallaur.

Public Participation: One member of the public attended the meeting to discuss the flooding that had occurred in the village. The resident advised that several properties along Bawtry Road had been flooded and the issues seem to have occurred due to the culverts between the houses and farmland not being kept clear.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Beckett, Council approved the reason for absence.
2. **To receive any Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Interests:**
Cllr Kallaur: Item 6.
3. **To approve the minutes from the meetings held on 21st October 2019:** Council approved the minutes as a true record and Cllr Cox signed the minutes.
4. **To note matters arising from the minutes, not on the agenda:** The Clerk advised that DMBC had confirmed that a paddock has previously been present in the field adjacent to the Waterboard Houses, however, the previous owners of the land did not fence the area off.
5. **To discuss matters arising from public participation:** Discussed under item 6.
6. **Ward Councillor's Report:** Cllr Blake attended the meeting to report on the following matters:
 - **Flooding:** All the concerns raised by residents have been reported to DMBC, there will be remedial actions, a drainage engineer from DMBC will be inspecting the culverts and an update will be provided to residents. Cllr Kallaur advised that the key holders for the sluice gate need to be identified, there also issues with accessing the culverts for maintenance.
 - **Speeding:** Cllr Blake questioned whether the Council are happy with the speed enforcement team carrying out monitoring in the village. Cllr Cox confirmed that the presence of the van does slow down the traffic but mobile cameras would also help deter drivers speeding through the village.
 - **Airport Development:** The planning application to expand the airport has been approved, confirmation of the agreed route for the construction traffic has been requested from the planning officer.
 - **Heritage:** Funding is being sought to convert the toilets on Gainsborough Road into a visitors centre.
7. **To discuss and review Council and village items:**
 - a) **Playground equipment and grounds maintenance:** Council thanked Cllr Goodall for tidying up the hedge.
 - b) **Update regarding the installation of a barrier:** The Clerk advised that the barrier has been installed.
 - c) **Speeding issues:** Discussed under item 6.
 - d) **Drainage and flooding issues:** Cllr Goodall advised that road closed signs are required to stop the traffic when floods occur. Council agreed to develop a flood action plan.
 - e) **Highways and footpaths:**
 - **Request for traffic islands:** The Clerk advised that DMBC would not consider installing mobile traffic islands in the village, the approximate cost to install

permanent traffic islands would be £10,000. Council agreed to request a site review and design plan.

- **Modification order update: Land to the rear of Bawtry Carbon:** No updates.
- f) **Telephone box update:** No updates.
- g) **Memorial garden maintenance:** Council agreed to obtain a design for the garden and review in spring. Cllr Cox suggested locating a flagpole in the garden.
- h) **The Green off Low Common Lane:**
 - **To discuss the request from Bawtry Golf Club to install a drain:** No updates received.
 - **To discuss the registration of the land:** Cllr Kallaur advised that the registration of the land is ongoing.

8. **Events:**

- a) **Christmas events and lights:** Cllr Cox confirmed that Pinder's are happy for a tree to be located outside Toll Bar Garage. Cllr Goodall and Kallaur agreed to purchase a Christmas tree. Council agreed for the Clerk to purchase Christmas lights.
- b) **Austerfield Heritage:** No updates.
- c) **Mayflower 400:** Cllr Kallaur advised that the Illuminate parade was successful, Cllr Cox requested the Clerk to write to Sue Hughes to advise that Council members would like to get involved in the project but are only available to attend evening meetings.

9. **Bawtry Carbon International:** No updates received.

10. **Fracking:** Cllr Crawford advised that the Misson Springs site has ceased due to the government decision not to support fracking in the UK.

11. **Accounts and financial matters: To receive and approve:**

- a) **Bank statements:** Council received a copy of the latest bank statements.
- b) **Cheque and online payments:**

Online payment	Misson Gates	£487.50
Online payment	DMBC	£373.67
Online payment	DMBC	£321.78
Online payment	S Youngman	£163.42
Online payment	Austerfield Study Centre	£22.00
Online payment	J Goodall Garden Services	£300.00
Online Payment	AJT Gardening Services	£95.00

Cllr Kallaur approved the online payments.

- c) **Purchase on "No Fly Zone for Drones" sign:** Council approved the purchase of a sign to be located on the gate at the recreation ground.
- d) **Purchase of Remembrance Poppies:** Council agreed to organise community craft sessions in 2020 to enable residents to make Poppies.
- e) **Community grants:** Pilgrim Embroidery: The Clerk advised that the embroidery should be complete before 2020.

12. **Planning:**

- a) **Planning applications:** Austerfield Quarry: Consent, agreement or approval required by condition 9 of planning application 90/3849/P: Council agreed to express the importance of installing wheel washing facilities at the site, due to the ongoing issues with sand and mud on High Common Lane.
- b) **Planning decisions:** None.

c) **Any other planning matters:** None.

13. News items:

- Installation of barrier
- Christmas lunch
- Development of Flood Plan

14. Correspondence:

- NALC: Chief Executive bulletins
- NALC: Guide to tackle loneliness
- NALC: Newsletter
- YLCA: General Elections – Guidance for Local Councils
- YLCA: Woodland Trust Tree Charter Day
- YLCA: ONS Crime statistics for South Yorkshire

Meeting closed: 9pm

Next meeting: Monday 16th December 2019