

# **LINBY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Council Meeting held at Brooke Farm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025 commencing 7:30pm**

**Present:** Cllr's D Ireland (Chair), C Harrison (Vice-Chair), C Hardstaff, W Lewis, S Molsom, E Tunstall, J Brothwell and the Clerk

Cllr's S Bestwick (GBC, NCC)

### **1.0 Apologies**

Cllr's M Smith, S Pickering (GBC)

### **2.0 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**

None

### **3.0 Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the May 2025 meeting were approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chair, Cllr D Ireland and Vice-Chair, Cllr C Harrison

### **4.0 Matters arising**

None

### **5.0 Open Forum**

None

### **6.0 Antisocial Behaviour**

Cllr Hardstaff reported scooters on the Linby Trail. Cllr Bestwick commented this is also an issue in Bestwood Village and will pursue with the Police.

### **7.0 Traffic & Road Safety**

None

### **8.0 Fly Tipping**

None

### **9.0 Flooding in the Parish / Culvers Inspection Update**

Cllr Bestwick to arrange onsite meeting between the PC and Gary Wood (NCC) on 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> July to discuss future plans for the docks and culverts.

Cllr Ireland reported on the wet area in the corner at Strata. Cllr Bestwick agreed to contact the Marshall family as they farm the area. This will also be raised with Gary Wood during the onsite visit.

Cllr Brothwell advised the docks are running high which seems unusual for this time of year. Cllr Ireland commented the docks were in a good state after being cleared of the silt, which has taken several years to complete. However, due to the runoff from the Top Wighay site the silt has built up again which has heightened the base of the docks and therefore reduced the capacity of them. Cllr Bestwick advised this will be discussed at the onsite meeting.

### **10.0 S106 - £39,000 maintenance contribution update**

No updates

### **11.0 GBC Road Sweeping Contract**

The Clerk confirmed she contacted Esther Storer at GBC and accepted the new price for the sweeping contract. Cllr Bestwick advised that after discussions with them they advise they can't carry out any additional visits. Cllr Bestwick advised the Clerk contact Esther again and copy him in to the email.

### **12.0 Lengthsman Scheme & Green Spaces**

#### **12.1 Lengthsman Scheme**

Jobs include installing the noticeboards and strimming the village.

#### **12.2 Fence near the Pitwheel**

Cllr Bestwick confirmed he believes it is the responsibility of NCC but is awaiting confirmation.

### 12.3 Weed treatment

Cllr Lewis advised he has contacted TQ Services and they are expected to come out this week.

### 12.4 Hedge cutting, Church Lane

Cllr Brothwell commented on the overgrown hedges on Church Lane. The Clerk to contact the Football Club, Gedling Borough Council and Ashfield District Council.

### 13.0 Mower Agreement with the Horse & Groom pub

Cllr Lewis advised the landlord has agreed to take responsibility of the mower when in his use and will send a letter confirming this to the PC.

### 14.0 The Heritage Centre

Cllr's Lewis and Hardstaff commented on a successful open day with 9 visitors in total. Cllr Tunstall weeded around the bottom of the hedges. Cllr Lewis commented the wildflowers are showing a good display and recommends people visit the Heritage Centre while they are in bloom.

The final open day of the year will be Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 11am – 3pm.

### 15.0 Linby Trail Bench and Bin replacements

The bin has been ordered – Clerk to chase Mark Guy at NCC. Cllr Bestwick has ordered the bin.

### 16.0 Digital Storage for PC documents

The PC agreed to look into this at a later date, once the emails have been set up.

### 17.0 Councillor's PC email addresses

The Councillor's advised they aren't able to set up the new email addresses on an iPhone. Cllr Harrison to investigate.

### 18.0 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Ireland advised 2 residents attended the consultation on Saturday and 2 residents attended before this meeting. The main concerns of the residents were flooding. Cllr Ireland to contact Hannah Barter regarding next steps.

### 19.0 PC to adopt Standing Orders

The updated Standing Orders were circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting. The PC resolved to adopt the Standing Orders. Clerk to upload to website.

### 20.0 PC Insurance

The PC have taken out a 3 year agreement with Zurich.

### 21.0 Top Wighay – Allocated Land

No Updates

### 22.0 Correspondence Received

All correspondence was circulated to the PC prior to the meeting

### 23.0 Planning Matters

#### 23.1 Article 4 Directive

Cllr Ireland to discuss with Hannah Barter

#### 23.2 Applications

Location/Ref	Details	PC Comments	Outcome
APP/N3020/2/24/33551331 1 Church Lane	Appeal	Object	Still at appeal
2025/0117, Land off Marion Avenue	Deed variation to allow for 100% affordable dwellings	Object	Unknown
2025/0217, Land at Top Wighay Farm	Variation to S106 to allow larger % of affordable housing	Object	Unknown

### 23.3 Update from Cllr Bestwick

#### i) Local Government Re-organisation

Cllr Bestwick gave an update on the Local Government Re-organisation (LGR). He advised all leaders of Nottinghamshire borough and county councils and city council need to agree a plan by 21<sup>st</sup> July, for the Department of Communities to make a decision by November.

#### ii) Gedling Local Development Plan

Cllr Bestwick advised there will be a 6 week public consultation from 21<sup>st</sup> July and encouraged the Parish Council to view the plan and submit a response.

### 24.0 Funding Update

#### Finance Report incl. Bank Statement Approval

The Clerk circulated the latest bank statements prior to the meeting. The bank statements were approved by the Parish Council.

#### Bank Balances

Current: £29,739.66  
CIL: £513.22  
Savings: £23,959.37

#### Payments

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
20/05/25	W Lewis – Petrol for mower	£32.70
20/05/25	W Lewis – Wine for barn dance	£63.00
20/05/25	W Lewis – Expenses barn dance	£85.23
20/05/25	Four Season Lawn Care – Treatment 1	£152.00
20/05/25	N Gretton – Leaflet distribution	£50.00
21/05/25	RTB Groundworks Ltd – Footpath Project	£36,933.60
21/05/25	Nottingham Printing – Neighbourhood Plan Leaflets	£82.00
22/05/25	Zurich – Parish Council Insurance	£737.60
01/06/25	E Gretton – May wages and home office expenses	£609.78
01/06/25	HMRC – Employers N.I.	£30.11
01/06/25	NCC Pension Fund – May	£165.56
05/06/25	SSE Energy Supply Ltd – Christmas lights usage	£90.25
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£39,031.83</b>

#### Payments for Processing

W Lewis Grass Seed £11.98

#### Receipts

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
16/05/25	NCC – Local Communities Fund – Footpath Project (75%)	£14,916.75
19/05/25	Post Office Credit – Barn Dance Profit	£2,545.57
19/05/25	Post Office Credit – Barn Dance Profit	£320.00
22/05/25	Payment made by C Hesketh (Pappfest) – Zettle, Barn Dance	£352.19
09/06/25	NCC – Local Communities Fund – Footpath Project (25%)	£4,972.25
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£23,106.76</b>

#### Payment for banking

The Gray Trust Noticeboard donation £1,835.82

**25.0 Councillor's Reports**

**25.1 Donation to Help for Heroes**

Cllr Hardstaff advised she received a thank you letter from Help for Heroes for a donation of £333.50 which was raised from the raffle at the Barn Dance.

**25.2 Live music at the Horse & Groom Pub**

Cllr Lewis to contact the landlord to request the music is turned down during their live music event.

**25.3 New lamppost installed**

Cllr Lewis confirmed the three lampposts have been installed.

**25.4 Grass bank**

Cllr Lewis has requested Jack Garratt to cut the bank.

**26.0 Date of next meeting**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 7:30pm at Brooke Farm, Main Street, Linby

**The meeting ended at 20:24**

Signed.....  
Chair of the Parish Council

Signed.....  
Vice-Chair of the Parish Council