

# LEGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Monday, 11 March 2024 at 7:30pm in the Legbourne and Little Cawthorpe Community Centre.

**Public Forum.** There was one member of the public who attended and expressed his views on the National Grid Upgrade proposal. He forwarded to the Parish Council the reply he received from Victoria Atkins, MP for Louth and Horncastle who agreed with him about seeking other alternatives such as offshore or underground cabling which will have much less visual impact on the Lincolnshire Coast. He attended an open consultation event held in Louth which was also attended by Cllr Exley who also provided information on the upgrade proposal which involved pylons as well as huge substations. Cllr S Cole also gave his comments from the consultation event he attended in Alford. Both events were very well attended and there was general consensus that residents in Lincolnshire were not keen on the proposal.

The Parish Council agreed that a formal objection letter will be submitted and shared with other parish councils to ensure a coordinated stance in opposing the proposals.

## Reports from Outside Bodies:

- a) **ELDC Ward Member** – Cllr A Grist was not in attendance
- b) **LCC Ward Member** – Cllr S Parkin sent her apologies for the meeting.

## 153/ 2024 Record of Members present and apologies.

**Present:** Cllr C Stephenson (Chairman)(CS), Cllr S Cole (SC), Cllr M Exley (ME) and Cllr D Harrison (DH)

**Also Present:** Mr John Presgrave (resident) and Mrs N Must (Parish Clerk)

**Apologies accepted:** Cllr P Maw (Vice-Chairman) (PM), LCC Ward Member Cllr S Parkin

**154/ 2024 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.** The Chairman declared his pecuniary interest on agenda item 161/ 2024c as it is his planning application being considered. Cllr ME also declared her interest on Agenda Item 162/ 2024c for works to be considered on the speed indicator device.

**155/ 2024 Minutes from 8 January 2024.** It was resolved that the draft minutes were accurate and the Chairman signed the official minutes.

P: ME S: DH, All in favour

**156/ 2024 Chairman's Remarks.** It was with sadness that the Chairman reported of the death of Mick Booth and sent his condolences to the family. Mick was the Chairman of the Community Centre and also served as Chairman of the Parish Council many years ago. The funeral arrangements have not been notified. It was resolved to send a funeral wreath and discuss with the Community Centre Committee a fitting tribute.

## 157/ 2024 Actions from previous meeting.

- a. Better signage at the Picnic Site is work in progress.
- b. Any fencing repairs by the bus shelter will be included in the refurbishment.
- c. Station Cottage flooding had been resolved. Cllr DH presented photos of the source of the flooding which was the blocked drain at the front of the property.
- d. Cllr ME reported that the Lincolnshire Police Road Safety Partnership Engagement Session which she attended was informative and speed checks with a mobile speed gun

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is being rolled out. The presentations provided at the meeting had been circulated for information.

e. All other updates noted.

**158/ 2024 Correspondence.** Noted and resolved the following:

- a. **D-Day 80 Celebrations in June.** The various options for the event will be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting in April.
- b. **Electric Vehicle Charging Locations.** It was proposed to nominate the Picnic Site as a suitable location. Another possible location is the Community Centre and this will be put forward for discussion at their next meeting.

**159/ 2024 National Grid Upgrade Proposal.** This item was discussed during the Public Forum and the Parish Clerk will draft a formal objection letter based on the discussions.

**160/ 2024 Financial Matters**

a. The following payments were approved:

	To	Amount (£)
1	Parish Clerk Salary and expenses (February and March 2024)	485.60
2	HMRC - Income Tax	106.40
3	Grant donation for newsletter printing	250.00
4	Invoice for Community Centre use for parish council meetings	81.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>923.00</b>

P: ME S: DH, All in favour

b. **Latest Receipts and Payments and Bank Statements.** Noted.

**161/ 2024 Planning Applications:**

- a) **Land Adjacent Wildrose Cottage, Reston Road, Legbourne.** ELDC sent notice that this application was approved.
- b) **Station House, Station Road, Legbourne, LN11 8LH.** There was no objection to this planning application.
- c) **Newlands, Reston Road, Legbourne LN11 8LS.** It was resolved to support this planning application. The Chairman left the meeting while this application was being considered.
- d) There were no other applications for consideration.

**162/ 2024 Community Initiatives:**

- a. **Legbourne Picnic Site.** Cllr ME reported that both she and Lincolnshire Police continue to monitor the site weekly. There are still anti-social incidents but littering of associated stuff had decreased. Some fencing had been broken and the signage were too small. Discussions with the landowner adjacent to the picnic site is work in progress.
- b. **Bus shelter refurbishment.** This will be done when the weather improves.
- c. **Speed Indicator Device.** It was resolved to accept Mr C Exley's suggestion to fit a solar power panel attachment to the device. The cost is estimated at £120 plus VAT.

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- d. **Scarecrows Event.** There was enthusiasm from both Legbourne and Little Cawthorpe to hold this event from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> August. Both pubs in the parishes are keen to support this event and meetings have been held to manage this project headed by Cllr ME. Financial assistance will be required from the Parish Council for leaflets, banners, entry forms, location maps, prizes and materials to make scarecrows for those willing to participate but unable to do so. An update will be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting.

## 163/ 2024 Highways.

- a. **Househams Lane.** There was no update from LCC.
- b. **FixmyStreet reports.** Work on the collapsed verge on Wood Lane has been scheduled for late May.

**164/ 2024 Community Centre.** Cllr ME reported the upcoming events including the Easter Bingo and Car Boot Sale. They require volunteers to help at the events. The next meeting is tomorrow and further details will be circulated after the meeting.

**165/ 2024 Parish Council meetings for FY 2024/25.** It was agreed to schedule the meeting dates as below. All meetings to be held in the Legbourne and Little Cawthorpe Community Centre at 7:30pm

Date	Meeting
Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Ordinary Parish Council Meeting
Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Ordinary Parish Council Meeting
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Budget Meeting
Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Ordinary Parish Council Meeting
Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

**Noted: The Annual Parish Meeting** scheduled on **Monday 15 April 2024, 7:30pm** at the **Community Centre**

The meeting closed at 9pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman) Date: \_\_\_\_\_