

AMCOTTS PARISH COUNCIL

C/O The Clerk Mrs Julie Reed, The Jays, 3 Kings Croft, Ealand, Scunthorpe North Lincs
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Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting and AGM of Amcotts Parish Council held in Hook House Farm offices, Amcotts on Thurs 13th Feb 2014 at 19:00hrs.

1. **Present:** Cllrs A Barker (Chair), I. Blenkinsop, M. Moorhouse, P. Murphy , D Farnham, K Routen

Apologies: Cllr S Berkeley and Ward Cllrs T.Barker and J.Briggs

In attendance: Julie Reed, Clerk, 2 members of the public, Ian Thomas Public & Paul Hickingbottom

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None

3. **Approval of minutes** of full council on 12th Dec 2013: Proposed as a true record by Cllr Moorhouse and seconded by Cllr I. Blenkinsop. Carried.

4. **Public Forum:**

Both members of the public provided information regarding the possible church conversion to part community use and supported the project. There is much work that needs doing to maintain the church as highlighted in the 5 yr inspection and it is going to be exceptionally difficult to fund unless we can reserve a section of the church for community use. It was agreed to add this idea to the Arrow article that Cllr Murphy is working on in the hope that we can gain public opinion on this. Conversation regarding Ecclesiastical insurance costs resulted in a motion for the Clerk to look into whether it could be added to the parish insurance and the motion was carried

There was also agreement on creating a working party of The clerk, Paul Hickingbottom, Cllr Murphy and Ian Thomas

Noticeboard: To be collected from the Clerk's home tonight and installed by Councillors over the weekend.

5. **Keadby Grange Windfarm:** Cllr Moorhouse reported back that there had been a good first decision panel meeting and that a number of projects will be getting grant offer letters. He could not give more detail at this time as he is bound by confidentiality until all applicants have been informed by the Fund Manager of the decisions.

Arrow: Cllr Murphy proposed application to the windfarm for a small grant to support the delivery of the arrow in Amcotts which advertised events in the Axholme North Isle and that the council should have 1 page per month for community communications. Approved Clerk to put in a bid

Lawnmower: Cllr Barker suggested we also ask for a new lawnmower for the grass cutting and conversation ensued around suitable model and type Resolved: to bring specification and costs to the next meeting for a possible wind farm proposal according to costs.

Broadband: Still no reply from BT confirming costs Cllr Moorhouse to chase again and Clerk to invite Broadband team officers from North Lincs to next meeting

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- 6. Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meetings:** Clerk to contact Chair to arrange dates
- 7. Finance:**

Clerk provided a schedule of accounts to date and the following items were resolved from last meeting

 - a.) No invoices received for groundkeeping – now paid
 - b.) No donation allocated for the clockwinder – now paid
 - c.) Clerk’s wages to be reviewed as there is now more work to be done and not enough time allocated – Clerk to provide at next meeting
 - d.) Clerk to look into doing own payroll to reduce accountancy charges – There appears to be no reason why not
 - e.) Overpayment of H M Revenue PAYE cheque refunded £30.06
 - f.) Electronic Banking – Clerk to visit bank and ascertain whether it is possible for a community account
- 8. Planning: – None this month**
- 9. Standing orders :** Carried forward as the Chair was reviewing them
- 10. Correspondence: - None this month**
- 11. Website:** The clerk advised it is now up and running and this will also be included in the arrow article.
- 12. Highways footpaths and street lighting:**

Mud outside bus stop no kerb edge. Dykes at Trentside overflowing and not soaking away. Query why was the banking raised at Gunness. Request Speed monitoring at corner Ingleby Arms and outside Hook Farm
13. There being no other business the meeting closed at 20:30 hrs the date of the next Full Council Meeting for Amcotts Parish to be agreed with the Chair