# **Amcotts Parish Council**

c/o The Clerk, Mrs Kirsty Dunn, 42 Eastoft Road Crowle DN17 4LR clerk@amcottsparish.co.uk

Minutes of the **September** Full Parish Council Meeting of Amcotts Parish Council held at St Marks Church, Church Street, Amcotts on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 at 7:15pm.

**Councillors (Cllrs) Present:** Cllr M Moorhouse (Chairman), Cllr R Jollands (Acting Chairman for meeting), Cllr D Farnham, Cllr J Horton, Cllr T Murphy, Cllr J Reed (NLC Ward Cllr) **Officers Present:** Kirsty Dunn, Temp Parish Clerk (PC), Chris Cowan, Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)

Members of the Press/Public: Present: One

Public Forum: Nil

#### 124/2021 Apologies and reasons for absence:

Cllr M Moorhouse apologies for lateness due to traffic. Cllr R Jollands will act as Chairman for the meeting.

Cllr. A. Barker, Personal Commitments- not accepted.

Parish Clerk to issue the framework for legal reasons for absence and remind Councillors of the 6-month attendance rule.

<u>125/2021 Declarations of Interest</u>: To note any declarations of interest made by Councilors in respect of items on this meeting's Agenda (in accordance with the Councils Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011).

No additional declarations to those already annotated on the Register of Interests.

#### 126/2021 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the meeting held on 21st July 2021 are resolved as a true record.

#### 127/2021 Planning

Additional letters have been sent to Environmental Health by the Ward Cllr regarding the noise issues. Awaiting response. Further issue from members present were relayed to the Ward Cllr for onward action.

Flixborough Green Energy Park - Mr Shaun Berkerley wishes to remain on the panel to represent the Parish, but not as a councillor.

Correspondence from Cllr T Murphy confirms that this Parish have submitted and confirmed all responses and returns have been completed and have support from NLC. Opposing opinions from committee representatives does cause some concern with council representatives and is under review as they cannot be steering the direction of processes in bias, negative or aggressive manner. MP Andrew Percy is in full support of Amcotts Parish feedback and is voicing against the project on the Councils behalf.

#### 128/2021 Correspondence and actions from the Clerk

Noted as received and appropriate actions taken.

#### 129/2021 Correspondence from Chair

Nil

#### 130/2021 Finances

The following items were received and resolved:

- a. Debit Card Policy
- b. Authorised signatories. Mr S Berkeley will be removed. Remaining councillors will be added to the mandate and online access will be activated for Cllr R Jollands.
- c. Bank Reconciliation
- d. Accounts for Payment as presented

#### 131/2021 The Bus Shelter including Draft Tender

Resolved that Councillors will organise the removal and disposal of the existing bus shelter. Parish Clerk will notify in advance, Mr Molitor and NLC of the date in order to confirm they are able to carry out their required actions.

#### 132/2021 Amcotts Village Sign

Metal signage options are reviewed. Designs will be sent to the Parish Clerk to obtain quotes and bring back to the next meeting.

#### 133/2021 Update From Outside Bodies

#### St Marks Community Group:

RHS Competition - Amcotts received the Silver Gilt Award was awarded; the highest award given this year for the Small Village category.

CPRE Best Kept Village 2021 - Amcotts received an impressive 196/200 score, coming 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the small village group. Thank you letters will be sent to the homes within the village that had special mention in the report.

The children received the Marshals and Monitors Award for the Tiddy Mun Trail and are thoroughly congratulated by all members.

St Marks Church porch door grant application is under conflicting opinion on what category it falls under. Cllr T Murphy continues to deal with this issue.

St Marks will decorate the tree and display Christmas lights for the festive period.

The group are extremely busy and have just undergone an audit on their accounts. Various projects are in hand and will be advertised as normal by the group members. Ward Cllrs J Reed and J Briggs thank St Marks on behalf of NLC for the extraordinary hard work and dedication that the group give to the Parish.

#### **NLC Ward Councillor Update:**

Summer activities are now complete. Feedback on the difficult application process for the activities has been fed back for future planning consideration.

Keadby community event was successful, points raised for funding are being considered and actioned where feasible. The community are encouraged to identify areas needing funding and apply via the NLC process. The Ward Cllr is on hand for anyone that needs advice or assistance.

The doctor's surgery is engaged with the Ward Cllr in order to promote best support for the Parish.

A sufficiency report is requested for the Children's Centre at Keadby to access if more time is needed. Family support is identified and being notified via the Centre.

St Marks Church. The church ownership is being notified as being on the closures list. Parish Council can apply for Ownership as a Parish Asset. The item is to be placed on the next agenda and relevant Councillors need to apply for dispensation from the Parish Clerk for interest in the matter prior to the net meeting in order to be quorate for discussing and resolving the item. St Marks Group formally declare that they will assist but not be responsible in this matter.

<u>NATS:</u> Speeding, graffiti and parking issues were raised. 'Community conversations' are looking for volunteers in the scheme.

SSE: Update from the windfarm community grants scheme All bids are to be in by Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Sep 21.

#### 134/2021 Parish Clerk Recruitment

Following the recruitment process, Mrs Marie Clegg is appointed as the new Parish Clerk subject to references and DBS checks. In support of learning, membership of ERNLLCA at £128.07 and SLCC Memberships are approved. A handover period of one month was also approved, commencing 1st Oct 21. All current library materials are to be purchased under office purchased up to £500. Discharge of Function under Local Government Act 1972 s101(a) was also approved to allow staff, with email correspondence and confirmation from the Chairman for office spends later identified that are necessary for the handover period. Mileage, working from home allowance and an office mobile phone are approved.

#### 135/2021 Remembrance Day 2021

A service will be held at 11:00am. The War Memorial being 100 years old this year will be celebrated and the flagpole is under bid for funding to renovate. Red remembrance lighting will be displayed, local children will conduct readings and the event will be followed by a coffee morning.

Wreaths will be laid by the council and local groups.

#### 136/2021 Jubilee Gardens including Draft Green Space Maintenance Contract Tender

The tender is to be split into two separate tenders; one for hedges, borders strimming, weed/ivy/moss treatment and separate tender for grass cutting which will include the church yard. Maintenance to be scheduled every 2-3 weeks. Following amendment, the tenders are approved for public release.

#### 136/2021 Grass Cutting Contract - Contract Amendment

Noted as received.

#### 137/2021 Monthly Council Meetings

Approved and scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month, commencing Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. Please note there is a meeting prior to this date.

## 138/2021 Street Lights, Highways and Footpaths

PC to report the following to NLC for action: Gulley's throughout the village Moss on path - Dark Lane

### 139/2021 Future Agenda Items

Village Signs
St Marks Church Ownership as a Parish Asset

#### 140/2021 Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at St Marks Church, Church Street, Amcotts on 19 October 2021 at 7:15pm followed by 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 and each subsequent first Tuesday of each month.

Meeting duly closed at 20:57 pm

Signed:	Date:
Name:	Designation: