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# Amcotts Parish Council

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Minutes of the **December** Full Parish Council Meeting of Amcotts Parish Council held at St Marks Church, Church Street, Amcotts on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7.15pm

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**Councillors (Cllrs) Present:** Cllr K Bird (Chairman), Cllr D Farnham, Cllr J Horton, Cllr T Murphy, Cllr A Ogman,

**Officers Present:** Marie Clegg, Parish Clerk (PC), Chris Cowan, Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)

**Members of the Press/Public: 0**

**162/2022 Apologies and Reasons for Absence**

Cllr E Farnham - Work commitments

**163/2022 Declarations of Interest**

To note any declarations of interest made by Councillors in respect of items on this meeting Agenda (in accordance with the Councils Code of Conduct and the Localism act 2011).

No new declarations

**164/2022 Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 are resolved as a true record.

**165/2022 Election of Vice Chairman**

A Ogman - Unanimous

**166/2022 Planning**

No Planning Issues

KS3 - It has been confirmed that the low carbon pipeline will not be running through Amcotts.

**167/2022 Chairmans Reports and Updates**

none

**168/2022 Clerks Reports and Updates**

Clerk will be putting together an induction pack for all Councillors. Although some Councillors have been members for many years this will serve as a refresher.

Planning Application PA/2022/1731. A proposed agricultural shed at White House Farm, Trentside, Amcotts. It has been decided that the councils prior approval for the siting and appearance of this development is not required. The development may therefore be

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carried out in accordance with the details submitted with the application within a period of 5 years from the date of receipt which is 29.9.22.

Although there are no discussions or comments to be made on this matter Cllr D Farnham declared an interest in this.

#### 169/2022 Finance

The following items were received and resolved:

- Bank Account Reconciliation
- Accounts for payment

Microsoft 365 Subscription - Sept	£11.28
Microsoft 365 Subscription - Oct	£11.28
John Espin Signs - Amcotts Sign	£663.47
Tesco Mobile - Oct	£10.00
Employee Costs	£517.42
TSO Host - Domain Fee	£9.54
Tesco Mobile - Nov	£10.00
Microsoft 365 Subscription - Nov	£11.28
St Marks Community Group - Remembrance Wreath	£20.00
TSO Host - Hosting Fee	£57.46
TSO Host - Hosting Fee (payment taken in error - to be refunded)	£86.26
Printing Costs	£60.52

Reserves Policy - It was resolved to adopt an amendment to the existing Financial Reserves Policy. The minimum level of General Reserves held is now one twelfth of the Parish Precept value.

2023/24 Budget - Resolved

2023/24 Parish Precept - Resolved to increase by £435 to £4864

The following Earmarked Reserves were resolved:

- 2023/24 Training £120
- 2023/24 Precept Taper £997
- 2024/25 Precept Taper £750
- Community Development £1,250
- Amcotts Village Signs £483

There is an uncommitted cash balance of £405.

2022/23 National Pay Award - Resolved to implement the nationally agreed rates of pay pro-rata over employee working hours, backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

Resolved to implement from April 2023 nationally agreed extra 1 day annual leave on full time hours. Pro rata on part time hours to be implemented.

#### 170/2022 Updates from Outside Bodies

St Marks Church

Porch Doors have been realigned, free of charge.

Remembrance Service was held.

Halloween event held in Church was a success. This event was commended by Safer Neighbourhoods.

The church received a grant from SSE so does not have to increase its rent.

An outside electricity point was installed and used to have Christmas lights around churchyard.

New security window grills installed on side window to protect stained glass.

#### St Marks Community Group

Arranged and held Remembrance Service.

Arranged and held Halloween event in Church.

Santa in the snow will be on the evening of Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. Part of this event will focus on treating the Ukranian children in the village.

There will be a Winter Warmth carvery lunch at The Ingleby Arms on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of December.

#### NCL Ward Update

Ward Cllr will contact NLC as complete work on footpaths outside Manor House and Ingleby Arms has not been completed.

Cannot get litter picking signs, as originally requested, but could possibly get an "A" frame sign saying litter picking in progress.

Ward Cllr informed that lights on the wharf have been lowered.

Inspection of Childrens Services is complete and outcome is Outstanding. NLC is only local authority to have 3 consecutive Outstanding results.

Budgets are being prepared for next year.

NLC have a new pot hole fixing machine.

The Police and Crime Commissioners assistance has been requested with the Community Speed Watch Scheme. Looking into having a team for the whole of the Isle of Axholme them volunteers can volunteer anywhere within the Isle of Axholme.

Are flashing speed signs required in the village? Council to inform Ward Cllr if a grant would be required for this.

#### Isle North Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT)

Safer Neighbourhoods are trying to start a community scheme with McDonalds whereby McDonalds put the registration number of vehicles using Drive Thru on packaging. If any litter is found lying around the vehicle registration can be traced to its owner. McDonalds must check Data Protection and other issues.

#### SSE: Update from the windfarm community grants scheme

AGM to be held next week.

Grant obtained to pay for outside electricity point.

#### ERNCLLA

Nothing to report.

#### 171/2022 Personnel Issues

Staff sickness at the beginning of the month.

Thank you to RFO for his hard work in preparing the budget.

**172/2022 Health and Safety Issues**

Nothing to report.

**173/2022 Street Lights, Highways and Footpaths**

Footpath on Dark Lane is covered in moss.

Drainage issues causing water to collect on the road of Dark Lane behind Manor House.

Potholes on Belthorne Road.

Ward Cllr to report all above to NLC

**174/2022 North Lincolnshire Green Energy park**

Chairman attended meetings with Planning Inspectorate on 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of November. Applicant must resubmit responses to first written questions. Individuals and groups have until the 15<sup>th</sup> of December to submit final questions to Inspectorate.

Resolved to delegate power to Clerk to combine statements from Cllrs to present to NLGEP.

**175/2022 Village Signs**

The completed artwork of the signs has been collected from Espins and delivered to Harrison Eastoft.

There is a delay to the manufacturing of the signs due to staff absence.

Ward Cllr would like to the Isle of Axholme flag to be displayed on the sign. PC to ask Harrisons to supply sketches as requested earlier in the process to see if flag can be incorporated on the signs. This will be discussed at a future meeting. "As flags were not on original signs and not part of the original grant application it was resolved to not add flags to the new signs." Of Minute 158/2022 must be rescinded before a different decision can be discussed and resolved.

**176/2022 Litter Picking Safety Signs**

See Ward Cllrs notes.

**177/2022 Grass Cutting**

Inter-town verges are currently cut twice per year unless there is a problem with visibility for example at a crossroads or junction.

All grass cutting to be as previous contract other than Trentside which is to be cut right to the end. These are to be finalised by local arrangements April to October. Quotes are to be requested "per cut".

When quotes are received, to be added to agenda again for budget reasons.

**178/2022 Training**

Resolved to wait for induction pack to see what training is needed.

**179/2022 Update Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies**

- Amy Ogman - Appointed committee member to Personnel Committee.
- Julie Horton - Appointed to represent the Council on SSE Windfarm Forum.

**180/2022 Update Councillors Responsibilities on Website**

- Full council - Appointed as Community Emergency Team.
- D Farnham - Previously appointed and retained as Snow Warden.

**181/2022 Future Agenda Items**

To discuss requirement of flashing speed signs.

161/2022 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 7.15pm

Meeting Ended 9.07pm

Signed: *Kevin J Bird*

Date: 7.2.23

Name: KEVIN J BIRD.

Designation: CHAIRMAN.