

Amcotts Parish Council

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Minutes of the **October** Full Parish Council Meeting of Amcotts Parish Council held at St Marks Church, Church Street, Amcotts on Tuesday 4th October 2022 at 7.15pm

Councillors (Cllrs) Present: Cllr K Bird (Chairman), Cllr D Farnham, Cllr E 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

145/2022 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Cllr J Reed (Ward Cllr) - Other meeting commitments

146/2022 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

147/2022 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2022 are resolved as a true record.

148/2022 Planning

No Planning Issues

149/2022 Chairmans Reports and Updates

The Chairman has requested that the Amcotts Parish Council Code of Conduct be sent to all Members who have joined the Council since April 2022.

150/2022 Clerks Reports and Updates

Cllr M Moorhouse (Chairman) has resigned and Cllr K Bird (Vice Chairman) will now take over the position of Chairman.

A Notice of Vacancy will be advertised and if by the 24th of October a request for an election to fill the vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer signed by ten electors, an election will take place. Otherwise, the vacancy will be filled by co-option. The election will take place not later than Thursday the 29th of December 2022.

PC rang NLC to see why footpaths outside The Manor House and The Ingleby Arms have not been repaired when they were reported on 4th of August. NLC representative was unsure why they haven't been repaired yet but will speak to a member of staff in the relevant

department. Cllr J Reed has also spoken to Highways Department at NLC to inspect the footpath outside The Manor House.

PC spoke to NLC about FP5, as requested. As requested by NLC, PC and Chairman inspected the footpath and as there are grass verges along it they are the responsibility of the Parish Council to cut should the farmer not cut them. With this in mind, the contract between Amcotts Parish Council and NLC will remain the same.

There are no plans to add Trentside to the official grass verges map but Amcotts Parish Council may add the verges and give this version to the contractor. Trentside will still be paid for within the contract from NLC.

Other areas to be cut on grass verges and greenspaces will be discussed in time to request quotations for a new contract in April 2023.

151/2022 Finance

The following items were received and resolved:

- Bank Account Reconciliation
- Accounts for payment

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| RJ Coulter - Green Spaces Maintenance (Inv #834) £113.75 |
| RNS Accountants - Payroll Fees (Apr-Aug 2022) £75.00 |
| Employee Costs £207.49 |

It is forecast that there will be £823 uncommitted cash by the end of the year.

152/2022 Updates from Outside Bodies

St Marks Church

Due to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth a condolence book was opened in the church. The church was opened at certain times for anyone wanting to write in the book. The book is still open at the moment but, due to official period of mourning being over, it will be closed soon.

There has been no news of the church being given over. The energy bills are being paid by St Marks Community Group.

St Marks Community Group

The group are hoping to use the church for a Halloween event on the 31st of October. They are going to purchase pumpkins and tea lights and give to the children to dress during half term. The Halloween event will be on the 31st of October starting at 6pm where there will be prizes for the best dressed pumpkins. This event will be taking place instead of children going around the village doing trick or treat. There will be a possible 16 children attending. There will be a bingo taking place and hopefully this will raise enough money to pay for the pumpkins and the Halloween event.

There is to be a Remembrance service on the 13th of November at 11am taken by Rod Storms. Mr Fowles will play the organ.

St Marks Community Group are in the process of looking to what to do for Christmas. Instead of lights in Jubilee Gardens this year they will be on the 3 trees outside the church. They will be having an outside plug fitted to accommodate this. They will give an update in November as to what will be happening.

The following were awarded to Amcotts by RHS for the Best Kept Village Competition:

- Judges Award for the Children's Display and Butterfly Garden at Church
- Silver for Best Public House Garden
- Gold for Best Small Village in the East Midlands Region.

T Murphy will be going to London to find out where in the top 6 they have come nationally.

NCL Ward Update

As Cllr J Reed was unable to attend the meeting there are no general updates. Please see items in agenda for comments from Cllr Reed given by email.

Isle North Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT)

Meet in November.

SSE: Update from the windfarm community grants scheme

A bid has been placed on behalf of St Marks Community Group for rising electricity costs.

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They are holding an online meeting tonight so PC is unable to attend.

PC was unable to attend the online meeting on the 22nd of September due to emergency family issues.

153/2022 Personnel Issues

PC working over and above the contractual hours of 10 hours per month. She is working between 13 and 16 hours per month. Resolved to change paid working hours to 14 per month and paid training hours to 4 per month. This will be at a cost of £537 from now until the end of the financial year which can be afforded. It will be looked at again in the next financial year.

154/2022 Health and Safety Issues

All Health and Safety issues to be reported to the Chairman of the Personnel Committee. The whole Council is responsible for all Health and Safety issues.

155/2022 Street Lights, Highways and Footpaths

No new issues to report.

156/2022 North Lincolnshire Green Energy park

All registered parties submissions have been published. There are 97 responses from businesses, local residents and national groups which is positive. A local Councillor, Ward Councillor and MP have also put forward their concerns.

A site visit has been made on both Flixborough and Amcotts sides. The next stage is a preliminary meeting for the examination timetable.

157/2022 Flixborough Wharf/Industrial Estate Light Pollution

The lights have now been repositioned. There is no-one on the present Council to say whether the repositioning of the lights has made a difference. There have been no recent complaints from residents.

158/2022 Village Signs

PC and Chairman visited Harrisons to discuss the manufacture of the new signs. Harrisons will quote for painting "Amcotts" on the signs. There was no artwork for flags available at

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this time to discuss with Harrisons. 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. PC to ask Harrisons to return the whole of the old signs and Cllr D Farnham offered to store them if required.

159/2022 Litter Picking Safety Signs

Ward Cllr J Reed has been in contact with NLC regarding this issue. The response was that they do not hold signs as requested and they would ask that people only litter pick where it is safe to do so and on a footpath at least 1.5m away from the road and not on one above 30mph speed limit. This issue has been referred to the cabinet member for this area by the Ward Cllr and is waiting for his reply.

160/2022 Future Agenda Items

Discuss whether there is enough money in this years budget to pay for a cut around the war memorial before the Remembrance service.

2022/2023 Budget

161/2022 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 1st of November 7.15pm

Meeting Ended 8.15pm

Signed: *Kevin J Bied*

Date: 06/12/22

Name: *KEVIN J BIED*

Designation: *CHAIR*