

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEVERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN LEVERTON VILLAGE HALL ON
MONDAY 24 JANUARY 2022

Present: Cllr D Durrant – Chairman
Cllrs: Mr D Horwat, Mr N Chandler, Mrs F Osborne, Mr N White, Mrs J Self-Shutts

Also Present: Mrs C Anderton – Clerk of the Council
Cllr P Bedford, Boston Borough Council
Cllr P Skinner, Lincolnshire County Council

Public Forum

There were no members of the public in attendance.

22/01 Apologies

There were no apologies

22/02 To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011

There were no declarations received.

22/03 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the notes of the meeting held 20 December 2022 be approved as a correct record of the meeting and be signed by the Chairman.

22/04 Reports from Lincolnshire County Council/Boston Borough Council

Cllr. P Skinner, Lincolnshire County Council provided a verbal report to the council. Cllr. P Bedford confirmed Boston Borough Council's main business at the present time was budget setting.

22/05 Police Matters

The Chairman stated his disappointment at the replacement method of newsletter to provide important police information to the parishes. He asked if the council would consider supporting a letter suggesting alternative methods of communication between the Parish Councils and the police departments. Cllr Chandler suggested a member of the council could be appointed as a liaison between the council and the police representatives. Cllr Osborne suggested that if police resources were lacking and other parish councils had similar issues a liaison from each local parish council meet with the police as a group sub-committee. Cllr P Skinner confirmed he had recently been involved in a conversation via telephone with the recently appointed Chief Superintendent – East Division and was hoping this would open the path to further dialogue regarding various matters including communications with the parishes. It was agreed the matter be left to Cllr Skinner to address with the Chief Superintendent

22/06 Issues relating to the Playing Fields, Potholes and the Environment of the Parish

Environment

Cllr Horwat reported that the streetlight opposite the entrance to the Playing Field was not working correctly. The clerk confirmed it would be reported. Cllr Horwat also reported that the poplar trees along Lacey's Drive were becoming excessively large and needed reducing in size considerably. Cllr Skinner confirmed he had noted the item to FixMyStreet.

Playing Fields

Cllr Horwat and Cllr White confirmed that some of the hedging around the playing fields had now been flailed.

22/07 Precept

The clerk had presented the budget figures to date with the forecast for the remaining Financial Year in December to allow time for Councillors to review the recommendations.

It was **RESOLVED** to keep the precept at the current level of £15,000.

22/08 Finance

- a) It was **RESOLVED** to accept the payments as per the payment sheet 01/2022 details below:

Staff costs	Salaries/HMRC/Expenses	£481.28
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22/09 Matters for discussion only or to be added to the next agenda.

Discussion only

New village signs with planters and speed signs were suggested to try to calm speeding through the village. The clerk confirmed she would source a brochure.

Following on from the discussion in November regarding the provision of a Christmas tree the clerk confirmed she would contact Lincolnshire County Council to ask about the necessary permissions.

It was reported that the meeting with the Leverton Fire Brigade regarding the repainting of the Church Hall had been very productive and repainting would go ahead in the spring. It was also confirmed that the firefighters were happy to undertake the removal of some of the surrounding overgrown shrubbery and ivy which obscured the building.

To add to the next agenda

Provision of village signage and planters.

Refurbishment of the Church Hall.

22/10 Date and Time of the next Parish Council Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 21 February 2022 beginning at 7.00pm. There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked those in attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.