

# CARLTON LE MOORLAND PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 in Carlton le Moorland Village Hall

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	<p>Chairman Councillor Ewan Marland welcomed all to December's meeting of the Parish Council.</p> <p><b><u>Reports from District Councillors</u></b></p> <p>District Councillor Mary Green had forwarded her monthly report from NKDC and there were no questions raised.</p> <p><b><u>Questions from Residents</u></b></p> <p>There were concerns regarding speeding on Sands Lane and the school buses continuing to use that route.</p> <p><b>THE MEETING WENT INTO TO FORMAL SESSION</b></p>	

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129/32/23	<p><b><u>PRESENT AT THE MEETING</u></b>                      Cllrs E. Marland (Chairman), R Garland, A. Sceeny, F Jacques, J. Hutchinson, District Cllr. M. Green, 2 members of the public and the clerk.</p>	
130/32/23	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b>                      There were apologies from Cllr. Frost and County Councillor M. Overton. These apologies were accepted by the members.</p>	
131/32/23	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND OUTLINED IN THE COUNCILS CODE OF CONDUCT</u></b>                      Cllr. Sceeny declared an interest at item 7 – Village Hall and item 10 – Allotments, Cllr. Hutchinson declared an interest at item 8 – Pond and item 10 - Allotments and Cllr. Jacques declared an interest at Item 8 – Pond, item 9 – Playing Field and item 10 – Allotments.</p>	
132/32/23	<p><b><u>CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION</u></b>                      There were no matters to consider.</p>	
133/32/23	<p><b><u>TO APPROVE THE NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u></b>                      The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 were then proposed by Cllr. Garland, seconded by Cllr. Sceeny and agreed by all to be a true record.</p>	
134/32/23	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Minute 123/29/23 – Newsletter – the Chairman extended thanks to all involved in the production and delivery of the newsletter. A volunteer was requested for compiling the next edition in May 2024.</li> <li>ii) Minute 125/29/23/iii – Carols Around the Christmas Tree on 10<sup>th</sup> December was well attended. Thanks to the Laughton family for their involvement with collecting the tree and the organisation of the evening together with the clerk.</li> <li>iii) Minute 121/29/23 i) Highways – Cllr Hutchinson reported that the drains had not been jetted through despite this being reported a number of times.</li> </ul>	
135/32/23	<p><b><u>COUNCILLOR VACANCY</u></b>                      NKDC had notified the council at the end of November that a further councillor could be co-opted. The clerk would advertise this vacancy immediately with a closing date for applications ahead of the January meeting.</p>	
136/33/23	<p><b><u>VILLAGE HALL</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Energy Matters - Cllr. Sceeny confirmed that the Tesla battery had been ordered and further quotations were being sought for solar panels. He had been in touch with the Lottery in respect of a variation of use of the £10,000 that had been awarded. The Rural Prosperity Fund would be live in January 2024 for a further grant application. A trial of the effectiveness of the heating from the aircon units would also be carried out.</li> <li>ii) Maintenance – the volunteer group had re-sown grass at the rear of the hall and were dealing with clearing up all the leaves. The guttering near the front door of the hall required attention. The hand dryer in the gent's toilet required further maintenance as it was not working.</li> </ul>	

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137/34/23	<p><b><u>POND AND SURROUNDING AREA IN SANDS LANE</u></b>            Cllr. Jacques reported as follows:            i) Noticeboard funded by Lost Village grant – there was a new noticeboard on offer from Bassingham Bowls group for £300 which Cllr Jacques had seen and would be suitable. The Council agreed that the funding could be used to purchase this on receipt of an invoice. Cllr Jacques had also purchased additional pond dipping equipment for £20 from the residue funding to add to the existing kit.            ii) Maintenance – the neighbour at The Beeches had carried out trimming of all overhanging branches as agreed, and ivy had been removed by the volunteers. No work had been carried out to the trees next to the property and this would not be undertaken without consultation with Cllr. Jacques.</p>	
138/34/23	<p><b><u>PLAYING FIELD</u></b>            i) Following review of the annual inspection report from Wicksteed, the clerk had complained to the company about the poor quality of the 2-year-old cradle seat which now required replacement. The company had subsequently agreed to replace this seat free of charge.            ii) It was agreed to seek an independent assessment from EKM Ltd of the maintenance work Wicksteed said needed to be completed.</p>	
139/34/23	<p><b><u>ALLOTMENTS</u></b>            i) The penned area on the Sands Lane allotments (5a to 5d) would be cleared with items identified for disposal and burnable material.            ii) Allotment 1b would be re-let in the New Year.</p>	
140/34/23	<p><b><u>HIGHWAYS AND FOOTWAYS</u></b>            i) Flooding and sewage discharge Clay Lane/Bridle Lane/High Street – the Council had forwarded a response to the CEO of Anglian Water and a response was awaited. Residents had updated the council of their communications with the water authority and this information was welcomed.            ii) Highways – Richard Fenwick had responded to council feedback on the recent repairs to Sands Lane and this had been circulated to members.</p>	
141/34/23	<p><b><u>GRASS CUTTING AND MOLE WORK</u></b>            There was nothing to report.</p>	
142/34/23	<p><b><u>PLANNING</u></b>            There was nothing to report.</p>	
143/34/23	<p><b><u>CLUSTER MEETING</u></b>            Cllr Marland provided a report on the recent Cluster meeting. Ben Atkins (Lost Village Festival) was present, and members were able to raise issues regarding the noise disturbance during the event in August 2023. Other issues discussed were recent flooding (particularly in Aubourn and Haddington) and speeding.</p>	
144/34/23	<p><b><u>RESILIENCE PLAN</u></b>            Cllr. Marland recommended to the members that the Council should collate emergency contact information etc as required for the Regional Resilience Forum. Cllr. Marland would re-visit this in the new year.</p>	<b>EM</b>

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<b>145/35/23</b>	<p><b><u>IDENTIFYING 2024-25 PRIORITIES</u></b>                      The members agreed that the priorities would cover the following areas:                      i) Speeding in village (collect data from SID) and inconsiderate parking.                      ii) Playing Field – address maintenance issues.                      iii) Sands area and Pond – maintenance etc                      Cllr. Sceeny would circulate the priorities information to all members.</p>	<b>AS</b>																																												
<b>146/35/23</b>	<p><b><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></b>                      i) Anglian Water – correspondence forwarded by residents regarding recent flooding issues and the Bridle Lane pumping station.                      ii) Woodland Trust – the clerk had successfully applied for additional trees for Back Lane field area and the landowners had agreed for the additional planting.                      iii) NKDC – Setting of precepts – 2024/25 – to be completed at the January 2024 meeting.                      iv) Greater Lincolnshire Devolution consultation – following a short discussion it was agreed that Cllr Garland would collate a response. The deadline for comments was 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024.</p>	<b>RG</b>																																												
<b>147/35/23</b>	<p><b><u>FINANCE</u></b>                      1. <u>Finance Report and Bank Reconciliation December 2023</u>                      The Income and Expenditure Accounts had been circulated and the Finance report summary presented was accepted. The balances on the accounts as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023 were as follows:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 40px; margin-bottom: 10px; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Treasurer's Account</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£1,131.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Village Hall Account</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£9,843.17</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Savings Account</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£42,836.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Village Hall Development Fund – Fundraising</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£12,834.63</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>TOTAL</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;"><b>£66,646.11</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>2. <u>Payment of Accounts</u>                      The following accounts were approved for on-line payment during December :</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 40px; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tbody> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">ESPO – Floor scrubber/dryer</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£1,662.36</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Clerk's Admin Expenses – November 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£10.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">CB Grounds Maintenance - Grass Cutting Nov 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£112.06</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">M. Harwood - Litterpicking &amp; Handyperson Nov 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£30.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Asda/Lidl/Amazon – Carols event refreshments/cups</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£51.53</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Pott Morton Printers - Newsletter</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£138.64</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Wicksteed Leisure Ltd – Annual Playground inspection</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£316.80</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Bank charges 4/11-3/12/23</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£8.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Clerks Salary December 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£317.04</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Microsoft - Software subscription December 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£12.36</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">PPL/PRS Annual License</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£189.26</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Hall Hire Deposit Refund - V. Henderson</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£68.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Sue North - Cleaning of Hall November 2023</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£150.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Bank charges 4/11-3/12/23 Village Hall A/C</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£8.00</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">BT Broadband Contract (monthly £19.45 plus VAT)</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£23.34</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Octopus Monthly Electricity 1/11 - 30/11/23</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£584.92</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding: 2px;">Wave Water 1/12/23</td><td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">£25.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Treasurer's Account	£1,131.97	Village Hall Account	£9,843.17	Savings Account	£42,836.34	Village Hall Development Fund – Fundraising	£12,834.63	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£66,646.11</b>	ESPO – Floor scrubber/dryer	£1,662.36	Clerk's Admin Expenses – November 2023	£10.00	CB Grounds Maintenance - Grass Cutting Nov 2023	£112.06	M. Harwood - Litterpicking & Handyperson Nov 2023	£30.00	Asda/Lidl/Amazon – Carols event refreshments/cups	£51.53	Pott Morton Printers - Newsletter	£138.64	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd – Annual Playground inspection	£316.80	Bank charges 4/11-3/12/23	£8.00	Clerks Salary December 2023	£317.04	Microsoft - Software subscription December 2023	£12.36	PPL/PRS Annual License	£189.26	Hall Hire Deposit Refund - V. Henderson	£68.00	Sue North - Cleaning of Hall November 2023	£150.00	Bank charges 4/11-3/12/23 Village Hall A/C	£8.00	BT Broadband Contract (monthly £19.45 plus VAT)	£23.34	Octopus Monthly Electricity 1/11 - 30/11/23	£584.92	Wave Water 1/12/23	£25.00	
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148/36/23	<b><u>ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS</u></b> There was nothing further to discuss.	
149/36/23	<b><u>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> The next Parish Council meeting was scheduled for 7:45pm on Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2024. The meeting closed at 9.15pm.	