

**A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Church Hall,
Morton on Tuesday 28th March 2006 at 7.30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Councillors D. Creasey (Chairman), B. Hyde, W. Lawrance, G. Lack, J. Lees, P. Chubbuck, R. J. Wells, J. F. Richardson and A. Bates.

Also in attendance: Mr. T. Barnatt (Clerk & R.F.O.) Mr. D. J. Thomas (Assistant Clerk) & District Councillor. Cartwright,

Members of the public present: Eventually Four members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES: were received and accepted from Councillor D. Ward.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Councillor D. Creasey declared in interest in one planning application in item 8 on the agenda.

3. MINUTES: The clerk's notes of the meeting of Tuesday 21st February 2006 were approved as the Minutes and were signed by the Chairman.

The Council meeting was temporarily adjourned at this point, for the benefit of newly arrived electors wishing to attend the earlier Annual Parish meeting. Upon the completion of the Annual Parish Meeting the Council Meeting was reconvened.

Item 8 on the agenda - Planning applications - was dealt with at this point.

4. MATTERS ARISING & CLERK'S REPORT:

Stainfield Road Corner: The local Lincolnshire County Highways office has written to the occupant of 2 Stainfield Road regarding his overhanging hedgerow.

A15 Land Lease: Mrs E. Soames was pleased to extend her tenancy for a further 12 months.

A15 Best Kept Large Village Sign: Stuart Scott of Lincs.C.C. Said that repairs and erection were now scheduled for the first week in April. The account for the four signs was being paid.

Quarterly Safety Inspection of Play Equipment: This had recently been carried out by the Assistant Clerk.

Planning Matters – Two applications have been dealt with by consultation since the February meeting-

T. Clark. Conversion of barn & rebuild single storey. Adj.23 East Lane. Full planning

No objections.

D. F. & C. Pinches. Demolition of garage & erection of building. 73 High Street. Outline planning.

A reminder of the Council's recent representations was sent.

The District Council has approved, conditionally, the application by Pick Properties for erection of a dwelling, Adj. 12 the Grove, Hanthorpe, Reserved matters.

Objection to kerbing East Lane (JD & CD Clark) The Clerk has received a letter from M. Shipman of S.K.D.C. explaining that the kerbing amendments, objected to by the Council, were required as safety improvements, by Lincolnshire County Highways.

The Bourne Local Area Assembly will meet on 12th April. A poster has been put on the notice board.

S.K.D.C. Strategic Housing Services Presentation & Consultation Event: is to be held on 30 March at the Council Offices, 1.30pm to 4.15pm.

S.K.D.C. South Kesteven leisure facilities are to be transferred to a newly created Leisure Trust.

Community Council of Lincolnshire: Magazine is available from the Clerk.

Cemetery: Since the February meeting there has been one burial. Fees received £55.

Annual Audit: Notification has been received from Moore Stephens that the audit will take place on 30th June.

5. CALOR BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION: It was resolved to enter the village for this competition, at a cost of £7.50. The Clerk and Chairman will liaise to complete the entry details.

6. VICTIM SUPPORT LINCOLNSHIRE: Request for donation. It was agreed that no donation should be made.

7. VITALISE: Request for donation. It was agreed that no donation should be made.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Mr & Mrs J. Clark: Erection of dwelling & garage Adj.23 East Lane, Full planning.

No objections

T. Clark. Demolition of barn, Adj.23 East Lane, Conservation area consent, **No objections.**

Ashley King Developments: 5 dwellings r/o 16, 18 & 20 Station Road. Full planning. **It was agreed that the Council should object to this application on the grounds of dangerous access at this point in the village, as with two previous objections, and that the wall to be reduced is within the village conservation area.**

At this point Chairman Councillor D .Creasey withdrew from the discussion and Vice Chairman, Councillor B. Hyde, took the chair for the next planning item.

Edren Homes Erection of 2 dwellings, North of Grove House, Hanthorpe. Full planning. **It was agreed that the Council request that the proposed dwellings are set back further on the sites to avoid the large sycamore overhanging the garages, and to insure that the tree will not be affected, as the application states. Attention should be drawn to the fact that a footpath runs diagonally across the site.**

Councillor Creasey then took the chair:

9. ACCOUNTS:

Year ending 31/3/06

Paid since the last meeting

Viking Direct.	£39.94	Office supplies
Anglian Water	£29.44	Cemetery water supply
SKDC	£14.54	Cemetery rates
N. Wilkie	£40.40	Litter collection to 12/3/06

For approval

Morton PCC	£6.00	Hire of hall		
Mrs M. Gibson	£257.50	Caretaking		quarter ending
31/3/06				
W. Lawrance	£156.00	Litter coll. Playing field	"	"
T. Barnatt	£302.33	March salary		
T. Barnatt	£22.06	Expenses	"	"
D. J. Thomas	£1081.50	Salary	"	"
D. J. Thomas	£15.28	Expenses	"	"
D. J. Thomas	£8652.00	Honorarium for extra duties undertaken during 29 years service and in lieu of gratuity payment.		

Lincs CC £411.25 B.K.L.Village signs

Year ending 31/3/07
For approval

CPRE £7.50 Best Kept Village Competition
Lincs Ass. Of Local Councils £282.00 Annual Sub. & Local Council Review.

10. NEXT MEETING & MEETINGS TO END OF 2006: The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 9th May 2006 at 7.30 pm
Dates of later meetings in the year will be – 8th August, 19th September, 31st October and 12th December.

11. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES:

Councillor G. Lack gave a brief report from the Local Police Neighbourhood Panel. District Councillor Cartwright explained that Strategic Housing, mentioned in the Clerk's report, will have a range of responsibilities throughout South Kesteven, including provision of affordable housing, homelessness, risk assessments of private properties, and energy efficiency in homes.

OTHER MATTERS:

Councillor Creasey had been asked by a resident of Millfield Road, to make the council aware that she had been 'nearly knocked over' by an unidentified car whilst crossing the A15.

The Clerk was asked to look into, or report, the following

1. Volvo car parking on the footway outside 11 Haconby Lane.
2. A car driving dangerously in the Crescent.
3. Bag of sand left on path outside 16 High Street.
4. Overhanging brambles at entrance to Bakers Way.

The Chairman pointed out that this was David Thomas's final meeting with the Council and thanked him for his long service and his considerable help in a smooth handover to the new Clerk.

There being no other business the meeting then closed.

CHAIRMAN.....

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