

**WITHERN WITH STAIN & TOTHILL PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES**

Attendees: Cllr Simon Acklam, Cllr Alexandra Blomley, Cllr Alan Jenkinson, Cllr Fred Donner, Cllr Noi Sear, Cllr Sandra Harrison

Public session – suggested that the Parish Council plant a tree for the Coronation of King Charles. To be added to the next agenda

**67. Apologies – Cllr Jackie Harvey-Brown**

**68. To Receive any declarations of interest not previously disclosed. - None declared**

**69. To approve the minutes of the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 for the Chair's signature.**  
**Resolved approved: Cllr Blomley, seconded Cllr F Donner**

**70. Updates from those minutes**

- a. Theddlethorpe – First Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022, community funding is on the agenda, what would local villages bid for from the community funding pot?
- b. Movement of the speed limit request – still ongoing updates at the next meeting

**71. Updates from LCC or ELDC**

- a. ELDC - Cllr Sandra Harrison
  - i. East Midlands Ambulance service update: 14 new paramedics are due to be employed.
  - ii. Long COVID hub – signposting to further help  
<https://lincolnshire.connecttosupport.org/long-covid-information-hub/>
  - iii. Changes in NHS – clinical commissioning group now a Care board. Online programs are being set up so that care staff and nursing staff are able to access information.
  - iv. Concerns over debt as loan sharks being used to pay for Christmas
  - v. Free wristband for people with dementia so that they can have their contact details. Poster to be displayed on website and parish notice board. Email [dementiasafegusrding@lincs.police.uk](mailto:dementiasafegusrding@lincs.police.uk) to get a free band
  - vi. Lighting is now the county council's responsibility – any issues reported by fix my street.
  - vii. Funding for warm spaces to be sent to the Cllr Fred Donner, also funding from the national grid for warm homes,  
<https://www.nationalgrid.com/stories/community-spirit/fighting-fuel->

[poverty-now-and-futurehttps://lincolnshirecf.co.uk/grants/bishop-of-lincoln-social-justice-fund-cost-of-living/](https://lincolnshirecf.co.uk/grants/bishop-of-lincoln-social-justice-fund-cost-of-living/)

- b. LCC – Cllr Noi Sear
  - i. Chalk Lane wrong residents have been contacted about trees, will forward information about the correct addresses for the trees that are alongside the lane
  - ii. Age UK are giving out warm packs, (hot water bottle, blankets).  
<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/leeds/about-us/news/winter-warm-packages/winter-warm-packages/>
  - iii. Anyone who is in need can get a SIM card that is available in the Uniform and Baby bank

## 72. Current Vacancies and co-option and resignation – currently have 2 vacancies

- a. **All Councillors will ask around to see if any interest**

## 73. Planning Consultation

- a. **Connerstone:** PROPOSED BASE STATION INSTALLATION UPGRADE AT CORNERSTONE 11333824, GREEN FARMLAND, STAIN LANE, WITHERN, ALFORD, LINCOLNSHIRE, LN13 OLL, NGR: E: 544506 N: 383235
- b. **No comments needed**

## 74. Financial:

- a. Approval for the following:
  - i. Clerk Salary 5<sup>th</sup> November Payslip £134.80
    - 1. **Approved** and Seconded Cllr Simon Acklam, Cllr Alexandra Blomley
  - ii. Information commission Office annual fee £35 DD (paid 1 Sept 2022, approved via email now being documented as approved)
    - 1. **Approved** and Seconded Cllr Simon Acklam, Cllr Alexandra Blomley
  - iii. Robert Aldrich – Gardening Contract £413.50 (paid 7/10/22, approved via email now being documented as approved)
    - 1. Approved and Seconded Cllr Simon Acklam, Cllr Fred Donner
  - iv. Remembrance day Donation £25
    - 1. **Approved and seconded Cllr Donner and Cllr Alan Jenkinson**

## 75. Bank Reconciliation to date – paperwork to be completed in the January meeting

## 76. Precept for 2023/2024

- i. **Resolved to hold the precept for the coming year to £3158 voted 2 for 2.5% raise and 2 to maintain the precept. The chair had the casting vote.**

## 77. Offer of Defibrillator for the Village – Ceremony to unveil

- i. Now installed and operational
- ii. To be registered and new code installed
- iii. **Cllr Donner has agreed to take on board the maintenance**

- iv. **Ceremony for the unveiling – Contact the donator**

**78. War Memorial – Completed**

- i. Regular maintenance
- ii. Donation from the Methodist Chapel of £100 towards the cost of the works completed

**79. Speed watch:**

- i. Been running for 3 months. 3 new spots in the village. Typically, 10% of people driving in the village are speeding. New members are needed. Is having a positive impact. The weather is impacting if volunteers are able to go out.

**80. SIDs – update on the completion of these, new batteries and solar panel on order.**

**81. Post Office Services in the Village – update from Parishioner who contacted the Post Office**

- i. Post office has confirmed that this is still running until January 2023. They are reviewing the service provided and will let us know.

**82. Website update for accessibility**

- i. **10 hours of update £150 +VAT – Member of the public has offered to help with the update of the files. Training will be given to the member of the public to do this.**
- ii. **Transfer of old domain to the new site – need the IP address of the new site**

**83. Updated copy of the Local Council Administration**

- i. The comprehensive and authoritative guide to local government law has been extensively revised for its 13th edition.
- ii. Cost through LALC £131.99
- iii. **Resolved that was not seen as necessary to buy for a small parish council, alternative sources for this information will be used.**

**84. Any other matters for general discussion and/ or inclusion in the next agenda**

- i. **Tree for the Coronation of King Charles**
- ii. **Bank reconciliation forms**
- iii. **Theddlethorpe**
- iv. **Post Office**
- v. **Speed Restrictions**
- vi. **Traffic calming measures at the junction**

**Happy Christmas to all**

**Meeting closed 20:50pm**

**85. To confirm the dates of the next meetings:**

- a. 10 January 2023
- b. 21 February 2023
- c. 04 April 2023
- d. 16th May 2023 - Annual Parish Council Meeting AGM (within 14 days of the 05 May due to Election year)