Minutes of the **Ingoldsby Parish Council Meeting** held in the Village Hall, Ingoldsby on Wednesday
15 March 2017

Public Forum: There were two members of the public present along with County Councillor Martin Hill. The parishioner raised the issue of erosion to the verge outside The Old Bakehouse on the corner of Chapel Lane. Mr Gault at the Area Highways Department has been informed.

Action: Clerk to raise the matter with Mr Smith, the Area Highways Manager.

Councillor Eldred stated how wonderful the village is starting to look now that the bulbs, set by the Parish Council volunteers, are in bloom.

Councillor Martin Hill informed the meeting about the re-structuring of the Area Highways Department. He confirmed that Rowan Smith has taken over from Mark Heaton as the contact for Ingoldsby Parish. There is a new online reporting system via the website for pothole and streetlight reporting in addition to the call centre. He confirmed that the government grants are being reduced by 25 million pounds per year hence the re-structuring of the Area Highways Department and changes to streetlighting and roadside verge cutting. He also stated with optimism that if the Parish Council apply for the extension to the speed limit on Grantham Road it may be successful.

Councillor Hill stated that he no longer has access to his Big Society Fund.

The Chairman, whilst Councillor Hill was present, raised other highways matters including those previous addressed with the Area Highways Department on the Bitchfield Road namely erosion, potholes and signage and potholes on Grantham Road which provoked lengthy debate.

County Councillor Hill left the meeting at 8.30pm.

1. WELCOME REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN (16/043)

The Chairman, Councillor Harrison welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

2. APOLOGIES (16/044)

a) Apologies were received from District Councillor Peter Stephens.

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS (16/045)

- a) No reports of pecuniary interests in relation to the agenda.
- b) Councillor Eldred reported her interests in relation to the village hall.

4. SIGNING OF THE MINUTES (16/046)

a) The Clerk's notes from the meeting held on Wednesday 7 December 2016 as a true and accurate record of that meeting. Minutes to be signed and dated at the next meeting pending cosmetic alterations.

5. **GENERAL MATTERS (16/047)**

a) VETS reminder cards and fridge magnets

The Clerk stated that the art work for the fridge magnet designed by the Community Heartbeat Trust seemed unsuitable and over priced at £150.00 for a minimum order

of 500. The Clerk said that 150 can be ordered online for just under £25.00. Members resolved to approve the expenditure.

Action: Councillor Weller to email Clerk with the artwork and content and Clerk to place the order.

b) <u>Expenditure for SID scheme</u>

There was general discussion surrounding the SID scheme and the differing makes and models. The Clerk informed the meeting that a basic SID costs £1698.00 with £40.00 for a site assessment and £57.00 for an additional backing plate.

Councillor Weller proposed expenditure up to £2000 excluding VAT for the purchase of the equipment from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Kenyon and passed by resolution of the Council.

Action: Councillors to conduct an initial site assessment with map for submission to the LRSP.

c) Cemetery Grass Cutting

The Chairman hopes to receive an update in relation to this at the forthcoming PCC AGM.

d) Action plan

Members discussed the benefits of the village-wide email distribution list.

Action: Councillor Weller to add a paragraph about this to the next newsletter.

6. **HIGHWAYS (16/048)**

a) Members agreed that highways matters had been discussed sufficiently in the public forum.

7. **PLANNING MATTERS (16/049)**

- a) New Planning Matters:
 - i) None.

b) Decisions received:

- i) Sentence, S16/2303 Erection of single storey detached garage at Ambleside, Main Street, Ingoldsby. Granted 6 December 2016.
- ii) Littleworth, S16/2212 Prior approval for change of use of agricultural building to dwellinghouse. Deemed approved on 22 December 2016.

 There was some discussion in relation to this planning application but no action is required on behalf of the Parish Council.

8. **FINANCE (16/50)**

a) To note the current bank balances:

Current Account as at 3 March 2017: 845.65
Savings Account as at 3 March 2017: 4737.41
TOTAL 5583.06

b) To the following income:

Interest (December)	0.16
Interest (January)	0.16
Interest (February)	0.16
TOTAL	0.48

c) To resolve to approve the following payments or to note payments made in line with the approved list of regular payments:

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Clerk's Salary, December	94.24
Clerk's Salary, January	94.24
Clerk's Salary, February	94.24
Clerk's Salary, March	94.24
BT Invoice 8 December (direct debit)	43.08
BT Invoice 9 January (direct debit)	43.08
BT Invoice 10 February (direct debit)	43.08
Autela Payroll Services, Quarter 3 ref 9860	30.00
BT Invoice 11 March (direct debit)	44.28
TOTAL	580.48

The two members of the public left the meeting at 9.02pm.

- d) Members resolved to approve the monthly income and expenditure account for March 2017.
- e) The Clerk informed Members that the Section 137 spending allowance for 2017/2018 is £7.57 per head of elector.
- f) The Clerk asked Members to be mindful of the financial year end.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE (16/51)**

Members noted the following correspondence.

- a) Email from Carina Clark, CPRE dated 14 December 2016, 'Best Kept Village Competition 2017'.
- b) Letter from LCC Highways dated 3 March 2017, 'Temporary Road Closures for South Kesteven and Sleaford Area'.
- c) LALC newsletter, Spring 2017.
- d) Email from LALC dated 24 February 2017, 'Funding Opportunity, Ringrose Law'.
- e) Email from LALC dated 23 February 2017, 'Funding Matrix'.

Members discussed item e) as potential sources of funding for Parish Council projects.

Action: Councillor Kenyon to identify the suitable sources of funding for the Parish Council.

10. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS (16/52)

a) Wednesday 24 May 2017 – Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.