**ADDLETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Addlethorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th March 2025 at St Peter’s Main Hall, High Street, Ingoldmells**

**Councillors present:** Cllrs Neville Towers (Chair) (NT), Lorna Hand (LH), Mick Holyer (MH), Anthony Stubbins (AS), Tom Smith (TS), Gavin Escott (GE) – joined after Item 143

**Parish Clerk present:** Pauline Murray (PM)

**Chairman’s Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7pm.

**Public Forum**

There were no members of public in attendance at the meeting.

**Ongoing Business**

**139. To receive any apologies for absence:** none

**140. To receive any declarations of interest** **in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to consider any requests for dispensation**: None

**141. To accept the minutes:** the minutes of the meeting 11th February 2025 were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chair.

**142.** **To receive reports from outside bodies and from other meetings:**

 a. Reports from LCC and ELDC councillor – Cllr Davie told the meeting that East Lindsey DC had set its budget at 2.99% increase although the Government encouraged ELDC to increase by 5%. He reminded the meeting that after May we could ask him for another grant if we had a need to. There is to be a major control authority for all the Lincolnshire’s Councils to come together ahead of the LCC elections on 1st May 2025. The full details haven’t been sorted out yet but the one model having one Chief Executive and one Leadership team of officers which would give better monetary savings. With regard to the pylons LCC have their lawyers waiting and are making it crystal clear that they aren’t playing ball. He also spoke about the very recent disaster whereby 2 boats had collided off the Hull coast. There were chemical barrels on board but thankfully they were empty and it was avian fuel in the sea which was the main problem. The captain of the Portugese cargo ship has been retained and is facing manslaughter charges. There is work needed around Roslyn – Cllr Davie is to send a message to Highways on this. Also there are lots of pot holes – there is a new weight limit policy being developed and it needs testing out – will probably face too many objections. There’s also conifers that need cutting down – LCC Highways to write to the occupier who is next door to Roslyn. Nuclear dumps have to be voted for legally by residents who might accept if the inducement is high enough. Urkaine is currently entering in to peace deals to finish the war and Cllr Davie thinks it will end. Urkaine is the biggest grain grower in Europe and the best wine producer. Cllr Davie fears that the UK economy is going into decline and will be in trouble by the end of the year.

 b. Reports from Parish councillors, external meetings or correspondence

 None.

**143. Co-option Applications**

There was just the one application from Gavin Escott and the Councillors voted unanimously to co-opt Gavin on to the Council.

**144. Out of Dowsing Offshore meeting**

Cllr Davie told the meeting that this was the windfarm in Scotland which energy was coming under the sea up to Anderby and then was going over land to London. The Clerk was to check the meeting dates and circulate for the Councillors.

**145. The Great British Spring Clean**

This is an annual initiative by the Government but its not really needed here as Cllr Smith litter picks every week. Cllr Hand suggested we try to get the community involved. It was mentioned that there were carpets dumped in the dykes at Mill Lane and tyres on Rectory Lane - Clerk will report to LCC.

**146. Financial matters, current:**

a. accounts paid report – £240 Ben Foxwell & £6 Bank service charges

b. cheques outstanding - none

c. expenditures anticipated – speed reduction equipment £2k and posts for installing it £600

d. bank account balances – there’s £265.01 in the current account and £9,691.74 in the deposit account totalling £9,956.75

**147. Clerk’s report**

**a. Application for grant –** the Clerk reported that she had managed to get the application in before the February deadline and that LCC had been emailing several times regarding further information so it was looking positive. She had put in for £2k for the equipment from Elan City for speed reduction and £600 for installing 3 posts by LCC.

**148. New Financial Regulations**

The Clerk handed around the amendments she had done to the model NALC Financial Regulations in order to aligned them to a smaller Parish Council. The Councillors are going to look at the amendments and we will review this again at the next meeting.

**149.** **Planning:-**

 Ossain Offshore Wind Farm – Cllr Davie explained that this was the bringing of energy from Scotland under the sea bed to Anderby and then above the ground to London. The Parish Council have the right to object and should do so.

**150.** **Traffic Calming** **Measures**

**a)** speed reduction equipment – 3 posts are to be installed by LCC @ £200 per post – Clerk emailed Graeme Butler at LCC and he said it would be 2 or 3 months

**b)** Update on sites for installation of the bright yellow ‘30’ signs – Cllrs Towers & Smith are going to attach the signs to street lamps with cable ties when the nights get lighter after the clock goes back at the end of March. It was decided that of the 6 – 2 should be each end of The Elms road, 2 each end of Chapel Lane and 2 each end of Church Lane, Addlethorpe.

 **c)** LCC traffic assessment-no further email so Clerk to phone LCC Highways

**151. Landscaping maintenance at Village Green:-**

Chair has a quote for the wood, cement and steel posts necessary for the railing and this comes to just under £300 (£197 re wood and cement and £100 for the steel posts). Cllr Escott has offered to help clear the hedge cuttings away.

**152. Councillors Responsibilities:**

These responsibilities were agreed to be a guide for the Clerk only.

**153. Free Woodland Trust Trees**

Cllr Towers has received the trees – there are 10 Wild Cherry, 10 Rowan and 10 Silver Birch. They are only about 8 to 10” high but Cllr Towers is growing them on

 until they are suitable to plant out.

**154. Next Meeting Agenda items:-**

* Agree new Financial Regulations 2024

**Meeting closed at 8.16pm**

**Date and time:** 7pm, Tuesday 8th April 2025

**Location:** St Peter’s Main Hall, High Street, Ingoldmells

Minutes APPROVED:

Neville Towers, Chair