

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**BIGBY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON TUESDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2024**

**CHAIR – COUNCILLOR D. COWLING**

PRESENT: Councillors – C. Gandy and C. Wilson

Also in attendance: -

Mrs. A. Hannath – Clerk to the Council

**BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED**

**24 Notice convening the meeting.**

Taken as read and approved

**25 To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Absence**

Cllr. H. Aukland  
Cllr. B.Orr  
Cllr. W. Pinney  
Cllr. T. Smith - LCC

**26 a) To Record any Declarations of Interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the Agenda Item and the type of interest being declared.**

None

**b) To Note any Dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the Agenda Items listed below.**

None

**27 TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR CO-OPTION TO THE COUNCIL.**

None received

**28 To Receive any Correspondence (for information only).**

- a) Letter from NLC regarding their Stage 6a Gypsy and Traveller Site Focussed Accommodation.
- b) Email via Cllr. T. Smith confirming that there is to be a full re-surfacing of Smithy Lane in the 2025/26 financial year
- c) Email received from LCC Town and Parish Council News regarding a ‘Public Rights of Way’ Survey

**29 To Receive the Clerk’s Report and Update on any outstanding issues.**

- a) **New Noticeboard for Pingley Park** – The Clerk advised that the price of £225.00 + VAT quoted at the May meeting did not include the post for mounting and delivery. The Clerk has had a look at the existing board and its posts and has

established that the existing posts can be used for the new board. The revised price is £305 + VAT including delivery.

- b) **VAT and the Village Hall** – The issue raised by the auditor has been investigated by the Clerk. Please see Village Hall Minutes for details

**30 Public Question Time**

No members of the public were present

**31 To Receive any Questions from Members.**

None notified

**32 a) TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES, AS CIRCULATED, OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024**

**It was resolved that** the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 having been circulated should be taken as read and approved.

Proposed: Cllr. C. Gandy

Seconded: Cllr. C. Wilson

**33 ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT**

**a) To Receive the following Financial Report and Approve the Accounts for Payment: as at 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (Statement of accounts enclosed)**

	DATE		PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	CHEQUE	AMOUNT	VAT	TOTAL
17	5	2024	Zurich	Annual insurance	BACS	245.66		245.66
29	5	2024	BOS	Postage for newsletter	BACS	72.68		72.68
4	6	2024	Midland Flags /B. Orr	DDAy Flag	BACS	10.82	2.16	12.98
4	6	2024	AJ Williams	Village Grasscutting	BACS	370.00	74.00	444.00
16	6	2024	HSBC	Bank charges	BACS	8.00		8.00
25	6	2024	A. Hannath	Wages	BACS	224.25		224.25
25	6	2024	A. Hannath	Homeworking allowance	BACS	30.00		30.00
1	7	2024	AJ Williams	Village Grasscutting	BACS	185.00	37.00	222.00*

\*Added since the publication of the agenda

**It was resolved that** the accounts for payment listed above and the Statement of Accounts be approved.

Proposed: Cllr. D. Cowling

Seconded: Cllr. C. Gandy

**b) To Note that the Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Annual Governance and Accountability Return are now on the Smithy Lane Noticeboard and the Website**

Noted

**c) To note that the AGAR has been submitted to PKF Littlejohn, the auditor.**

Noted

**d) To Undertake a Quarterly Review of the Accounts.** (Documents attached)

**It was resolved that** the Review of the Accounts for the first quarter be accepted

Proposed: Cllr. D. Cowling

Seconded: Cllr. C. Wilson

**34 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISION NOTICES**

Members are reminded that applications can be received after the deadline for the publication of the agenda. The clerk will forward any further applications to you before the meeting for your consideration.

**WL/2024/00465:** Planning application for external alterations to shed building, site access widening and installation of solar panels. Priory Fields, Howsham Road, Kettleby Brigg, [object Promise], DN20 9HN

**It was resolved that** NO OBJECTION be made to the application. However, the PC would like to ask if consideration has been given to the use of renewable and sustainable materials and the provision of electric vehicle charging points.

Proposed: Cllr. C. Wilson

Seconded: Cllr. C. Gandy

**35 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR SMITH ON COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

**Cllr. T. Smith** was not in attendance as he had 2 prior commitments

**36 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR MORRIS ON DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS**

**Cllr. Morris advised** that WLDC has now got a tied administration due to a Lib Dem Councillor having now become an Independent one. It is hoped that the impasse will be sorted after the General Election on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.

**37 TO APPROVE THE MEMBERSHIP AND REMIT OF THE ESG, (Environmental, Social and Governance), and UN SDG, (United Nations Sustainable, Development Goals), LIAISON GROUP.**

**Cllr. Wilson suggested** that all businesses within the parish be contacted to invite them to join the group. **Cllr. P. Morris, WLDC, volunteered** to get a list of all businesses from WLDC.

**It was resolved that** the document circulated by Cllr. Wilson, (See Appendix 1), be adopted and that all councillors are members of the Liaison Group.

Proposed: Cllr. C. Wilson

Seconded: Cllr. D. Cowling

**38 TO APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF THE ACRE DIKES FROM THE CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTER**

**It was resolved that** Acre Dikes be removed from the Charity Commission Register.

Proposed: Cllr. D. Cowling

Seconded: Cllr. C. Wilson

Meeting closed at 6.56 pm

Signed .....

Chairman

Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2024

# **Bigby Parish Council**

## **ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) and**

### **UN SDG (United Nations Sustainable Development Goals) Liaison Group**

#### **Introduction**

The ESG framework and UN 2030 SDG's are very closely aligned. There is a drive across both Commercial and Public Sector bodies in the UK and beyond to meet the standards and promote all aspects of Sustainable Development. How this is experienced in lives lived will be the real test of whether the standards have had impact. If Parish Councils are able to engage local communities in monitoring and evidence gathering it will provide a very effective feedback mechanism for both policy makers and those with responsibility for implementation.

#### **Mission and Objectives**

- 1. To promote and monitor action in Bigby Parish on Environmental, Social and Governance, standards and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.**
- 2. To provide the Parish Council with assurance that all stakeholders involved in business development in the Parish promote ESG and SDG outcomes in their development planning.**
- 3. To provide an annual statement for the Parish Council of progress made each year on progress to Net Zero (Carbon Dioxide) and Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) by business and other stakeholders active in the Parish.**

#### **Membership**

Parish Council members, local residents, Business and other interests and stakeholders operating in Bigby Parish.

For the members to be effective in their duties there will be support available on understanding ESG, UN SDG and BNG via an annual updating workshop.

#### **Powers**

This is a Working Group of the Parish Council. It is a consultative group. All proposals will be referred to the Parish Council for consideration and decision making.

#### **Annual Training and Support**

- 1 ESG Awareness and UN 2030 SDG's
- 2 Understanding of net Zero CO2 and Circular Economy
- 3 Skills in identifying Biodiversity Net Gain in the Ecology of the Parish

**30 May 2024**