Minutes amended by Councillors. To be formally approved at next meeting on 14 November

Minutes of the

Stubton Parish Council Meeting

held on

Monday 19th September 2016

Present: Mr M Davis Mrs L Stevenson Mr R Thornton Mr H Wilson Mrs A Wise

There were no apologies for absence

Declarations of interest: Cllrs Wilson and Thornton declared themselves members of reVOLT and Cllr Thornton a member of VETO but no financial gain was involved .

2. The Minutes of the meeting held on 18^{th} July 2016 were read and approved.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

4. **District Councillor Sampson**

- 4.1 <u>SKDC Refuse Bin Provision and Collection</u>: Early in September the Village Hall black and silver refuse bins were removed by SKDC who had agreed at the beginning of the current financial year not to provide a free refuse collection from Village Halls. This information was not communicated properly and consequently the Village Hall Committee were not aware of this decision. Following investigations, proper information and explanations were achieved. There is to be a charge of £182 per annum for the collection of refuse from Stubton Village Hall and it has been decided not to participate in the scheme. Alternative arrangements will be made.
- 4.2 <u>Fulbeck Airfield; Proposed Wind Farm</u>: Cllr Sampson reminded the meeting of the background to the delay in a decision being given by SKDC to EnergieKontor regarding their planning application. This concerns a lack of information particularly relating to Heritage sites but also to many other elements. Until the required details are provided, the Planning Department are unable to move forward with the assessment of the application. Cllr Thornton pointed out that VETO understand that EK had indicated to Mr Philip Moore, the relevant Planning Officer, that the outstanding information would be with him by the end of August. Since this information is still

outstanding, Mr Moore will be following the matter through and it is hoped that this will help to move the Application forward. This is a very drawn out process and it may well be that further input from villagers will be required, however, the end may well be in sight.

- 4.3 <u>Fulbeck Airfield: Straw Storage</u>: This application has received two requests of the Applicant from Lincolnshire County Council
- a) A contribution of $\pounds 6,000$ per annum to maintain and clean the drains on the A17 and
- b) A contribution of £15,000 to repair and maintain the footpaths and roads in Stragglethorpe.

It has been noted that the movement of straw through Stubton in the last few months has stopped.

- 4.4 <u>Road Closures:</u> The road between Dry Doddington and the A1 will be closed for 2 days between the period 17 October to 18 November but the exact days are yet to be determined.
- 4.5 <u>SKDC Local Plan:</u> The second consultation for the Local Plan recently closed. The public response has been poor and attendance at the organised road shows has been low. The Local Plan covers the policies that the District Council will pursue in relation to issues such as housing, renewable energy and Travellers sites. The manner in which the consultation continues with public input needs to be reviewed in order to gain public understanding and interest.
- 4.6 <u>Devolution</u>: Forms asking for the opinion of the public regarding Devolution and the appointment of a Mayor of Lincolnshire were distributed earlier in the summer and the consultation period on this matter closed in late August. Of the 1,060,500 people living in Lincolnshire 4,482 completed their forms. In phase two of the process, the 9 District Councils and Lincoln City Council will now hold individual meetings to decide whether they wish to pursue a Mayoral candidate for Lincolnshire. These decisions will be submitted to the Secretary of State,

5. **Footpaths and Bridleways**

5.1 A further month has passed with no difficulties in relations with Beeswax. Discussion took place on the way forward regarding footpaths and it was agreed that a Village meeting should be called in order to gather a majority opinion.

6. **Model Code of Conduct**

6.1 The Clerk informed the meeting that following the Election in 2015, the Model Code of Conduct adopted in 2012 needed to be re-adopted. The Code was read to the Councillors and it was adoption was, once again, unanimously agreed.

7. **Any Other Business**

- 7.1 Cllr Stevenson advised the meeting that a Travellers wedding is to be held locally in November.
- 7.2 It was agreed to purchase spring bulbs. The village will be asked where these bulbs should be planted and a request will be made for help with planting.
- 7.3 A vote of thanks to Mr John Rose was given. Mr Rose had raised the Union Flag each day of the Olympics and Paralympics that Britain had won a gold medal. A great contribution to great sporting events.
- 7.4 <u>St Martin's Church</u>: A note regarding the Church finances has been circulated to villagers. The Church has recently been decorated and a new carpet purchased and following discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would donate £350 towards the new carpet (approximately 50% of the total cost).

8. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on

Monday 14th November 2016 at 7.30pm