Present: C Karen Cartwright, C Jeb Booth, C Mike Brookes, C Alan Hughes, C Stacey Hacket, C Ray Butler, .C Keith Osborne: C Roy Hilton C Roger Welberry, C Mike Welberry-Smith C Pillipa Parnell

Also Present: PCSO Neil Williams

Public Forum 1 resident

Meeting started at 7.30 pm

Public Formum - None

#### 18/148 Chairman's Remarks:

None

#### 18/149 Apologies for absence and reasons given.

Cllr RH on holiday, Cllr RW unwell, Cllr KC late due to return from holiday It was resolved to accept apologies for absence and reasons given.

#### 18/150 Police report.

PCSO Neil Williams reported that there had been 2 reported crimes since the last report. 13/12/18 - An assault on Micheal Moses Way

29/12/18 - Theft of a vehicle from Station Road, later recovered. Both incidents are still under investigation

# 18/151 Draft Minutes of the meetings held on 10.12.18 to be confirmed and signed as minutes.

It was resolved to accept the above notes. The notes were confirmed and signed by the Vice Chairman.

18/152 Financial matters: Financial report, accounts for payment and budget figures up to 09/01/2019.

Date	Source of Income	Total Amount
15/12/2018	LCC Parish Agreement	154.26
Total Income		154.26

Date	Purpose of Expenditure	Total Amount
28/12/2018	PC rent - Clerk	15.00
28/12/2018	Office rent - Clerk	20.00
18/12/2018	Mobile Phone	19.60
28/12/2018	Library Rent	21.00
Sub Total		75.60
30/12/2018	Pay and PAYE	792.61
04/01/2019	S Holland - Gardener	270.00
30/12/2018	Defib	100.80
30/12/2018	N Bush Stationery	12.94
18/12/2018	CEF Electircal	200.58
30/11/2018	BBC Lighting Costs	4358.70
Sub Total		5735.63
Total		5811.23

It was resolved to accept the accounts for payment.

ACTION: Clerk to make outstanding payments

## 18/153 Planning Applications - None

ACTION: None

#### 18/154 Correspondence

Lincs County Council Mail – South East Lincolnshire Local Plan consultation. – Emailed to Cllrs, Posted on website, facebook & Noticeboard 14/12/18

LALC Mail – December Newsletter – Emailed to Cllrs

17/12/18

Boston Alternative Energy Facility Email – Notification of period of Community Consultation. Emailed to Cllrs, Posted on Website, facebook & Noticeboard 17/12/18

SMV Contractors Xmas card received

Matt Warman Xmas card received Boston Borough

Council Precept letter received

Lincolnshire County Council Email – Letter regarding ongoing support for the

Library – Emailed to Cllrs30/12/18

Lincolnshire County Council Email - Road closure Fenhouses Drove Feb 19 –

Emailed to Cllrs, Posted on Website, facebook & Noticeboard 30/12/18

Resident Messenger – Drains not clearing on High Street -

Reported on Fix my Street 7/1/18

Resident Email – reporting light not working Mulberry Court –

Reported on Fix my Street 7/1/18

Clerks & Councils Direct Mail – January Newsletter

Matt Warman Mail – Surgery dates for first half of 2019 – Emailed

to Cllrs, Posted on Website, facebook & Noticeboard 09/01/19

#### 18/155 Councillors reports.

Cllr KO – requested that a letter be written to British Rail and the Highways department regarding the state of Swineshead Bridge level crossing. In addition he reported the damage to the pavement opposite King Johns Way.

Cllr AH – reported that new gates had now been put up at the Church Hall yard

Cllr MWS – Confirmed that the new seat was now in place outside the Coop store and asked that a letter of thanks go to the Coop for providing it and Resident J Wright for instigating it.

ACTION: Clerk to report damage to the road and the Level Crossing. Clerk to write letters of thanks to the Coop and Mr J Wright.

#### 18/156 Clerks report.

- Application for plant boxes at gateway signs submitted
- Further interest received for the First Aid training
- Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Cllr MB investigated and they were unable to find the letters, these were then emailed and the following response received.
- The tragic events surrounding the two fatal collisions on the A52 will clearly be the subject of police investigations; before being reported to the Coroner's Office. The Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership have identified the staggered junction as a collision cluster site, and will carry out a review to establish the most appropriate safety measures to reduce the risk of collisions. However, it is a key part of the review that the collision circumstances are not the subject of speculation, until the Coroners Hearing has taken place. It is important not to jump to conclusions as to the factors involved and ensure the most appropriate solution can be developed.
- In terms of the previous collisions and prior to the two most recent Fatal collisions, there has been 1 Serious and 5 Slight injuries there in the last 5 years.
- I hope the above information is useful and once we have investigated the junction we will be in touch regarding possible improvements.

The clerk also reported receiving a query regarding the resurfacing of pavements on Mulberry Court, where by the resident did not feel this was necessary and there were other areas in more need. It was discussed that this was more likely to be sealing of the pavements rather than actual resurfacing and it was resolved that Cllr MB would speak to Highways to confirm this.

ACTION. Cllr MB to contact Highways regarding the resurfacing.

#### 18/157 Street Lights Browns Drove

No further progress on this. The Clerk has not yet spoken to Nigel Hall

ACTION: Clerk to Contact Nigel Hall at Boston Borough Council

#### 18/158 2019-20 Budget for Precept

The Clerk went through the budget as proposed by the Finance Committee confirming the amounts suggested. A precept figure of £30,783 was then arrived at.

Cllr KO proposed & Cllr KC seconded the figure of £30,783 and all others councillors voted unanimously

ACTION: Clerk to submit precept figure to Boston Borough Council

### 18/159 Grass Cutting and Gardening Tender

The Clerk presented the Grass cutting and Gardening Tender documents. It was agreed that a cost also be obtained for any additional cuts required on the A17 Barge area. It was resolved that the Clerk would advertise and send out the Tender documents with a return date prior to the March meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to update Tender document, send out and advertise the documents

### 18/160 Equal Opportunities Policy

The clerk presented a copy of the Equal Opportunities Policy for approval. It was resolved that this policy would be adopted. Cllr KO proposed that the policy be adopted, Seconded by Cllr KC and unanimously agreed by all other councillors.

ACTION: Clerk to upload policy to the website

Meeting closed 8.30pm