

NOTES FROM THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 03 JULY 2025

There were six members of the public present, together with Dist Cllr Jones. Residents had attended to meet and ask questions of County Cllr Hume who was due to attend the meeting. Residents asked about planning issues to the rear of properties at Main Road and who is responsible for the maintenance of existing adjoining fencing – advice was to contact ELDC regarding any issues.

7.25pm County Cllr Hume arrived along with a member of the public. Residents spoke to County Cllr Hume who answered questions and gave advice where appropriate. Speeding is a big issue.

7.35pm Dist Cllr Ashton arrived and answered residents questions regarding planning issues.

7.55pm Five members of the public left the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 03 JULY 2025 AT 7.45PM IN THE YOUTH CENTRE, HALL LANE

1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASON FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Edwards

Present: Cllrs Burton, Gray, Hopkins, Pocklington, Pritchard, Sherriff, Jones (Chairman)

Also present: County Cllr Hume, Dist Cllrs Jones and Ashton and two members of the public

2. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

County Cllr Hume introduced herself and outlined her aims for working with the Parish Council and reported:

- a. Speeding issues have been raised with the LRSP and further questions will be asked of them.
- b. Slurry sealing of the footways at Horbling Lane has been questions. LCC will arrange a weed spray on the existing worked footway and the second footway is due a full reconstruction in this financial year.
- c. LCC report that the glass in the defibrillator box has been replaced. This will be checked as Councillors are sure it has not been done.
- d. Investigations need to be carried out regarding the possibility of a cycle route to Stickney from both Sibsey Northlands and Stickford.
- e. An Environment Scrutiny Committee will replace the LCC Flooding Committee and hold more meetings each year. All previous flooding committee work will continue with quarterly reports to be received from all agencies involved with flooding issues. District representatives will be invited to meetings to give more local knowledge of any flooding issues as they arise.

Dist Cllr Jones reported:

- a. All households will be provided with an indoor food recycling caddy which, when full, will be emptied into the outdoor food recycling bin. The outdoor bin is about half the size of a normal waste bin. This will be rolled out before March 2026.
- b. Elif grants of up to £25,000 and Councillor Community Grants are still available.
- c. A car park scrutiny committee has been set up at ELDC – if anyone has issues with ELDC car parks please advise Dist Cllr Jones.
- d. Plans have been passed for four pods to be sited in Skegness for homeless people to use for one night to sleep and wash.
- e. The appeal for 46 properties at Stickney Meadows has been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate.

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Dist Cllr Ashton reported:

- a. The Government housing target for ELDC is 150% more than what is in the existing Local Plan, this is not viable for East Lindsey at this time.
- b. No work is being done to update the Local Plan at this time as ELDC are awaiting the Government rulings.
- c. A Neighbourhood Plan should still be done as it should still affect the ELDC Local Plan.

8.45pm The member of the public left the meeting

- d. There is a new Market Policy where stall holders now receive a 50% reduction in the fees charged.
- e. The Government paid a 1 off grant levy payment to the drainage boards. The grant has to be applied for each year.
- f. It is hoped that Natural England will recognise areas of Boston and South Holland as Areas of Natural Beauty to prevent future pylon schemes across the area.
- g. Due to the Local Government re-organisation some areas will be cancelling local elections.
- h. The grant application sent is in hand.

8.55 Dist Cllr Jones left the meeting

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

There were no declarations of interest.

4. NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 05 JUNE 2025 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS THE MINUTES

It was resolved that the notes, previously circulated, be signed as the minutes.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported:

- a. The grant application for £500.00 Councillor Community Grant was sent to ELDC on 18 June.
- b. The grant application for £350.00 Councillor Community Grant was sent to Cllr Ashton on 18 June.
- c. There will be a Lincolnshire Police and Parish Council Briefing Session on 23 September, Cllr Burton will try to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.
- d. Richard Tice MP is usually available on Fridays and Saturdays. Following discussion it was suggested he be asked to open the Garden Club Show.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr Jones will check if funding is still available to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan.

7. FINANCE REPORT:

a. Payments approved:	£
a. Authority for payment:	
i. Salaries (June)	910.17
ii. Clerk's expenses	TBA
iii. Page Paper (paper for magazine)	TBA
iv. Reconomy (Cemetery Skip - June)	TBA
v. Bolingbroke Deanery	104.00

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FINANCE REPORT - continued

vi. Malc Firth Landscapes (Play Area grass cutting)	63.50
vii. HSBC Bank Charges	5.00
viii. Royal Bank of Scotland bank charges	Nil
ix. Haines Watts (PAYE work)	27.60
x. HMRC (PAYE)	539.51
xi. Malc Firth Landscapes (emergency work to tree)	955.80
xii. ICO (data protection registration d/d)	52.00
xiii. E L Arnold (Black ink)	43.10
xiv. E L Arnold (Coloured ink)	27.95
xv. TJW Services (footpath cuts)	468.00

b. Payments in August

i. Salaries (July)	909.97
ii. Reconomy (Cemetery Skip - July)	TBA
iii. Bolingbroke Deanery (Aug/Sept magazine)	TBA
iv. Malc Firth Landscapes (Play Area grass cutting)	TBA
v. Haines Watts (PAYE work)	TBA
vi. Anglian Water (Cemetery supply d/d)	TBA

- b. The balances in bank at 30 June: Current account £31,404.22
- c. Details of the balance in the Pension account were passed to all Councillors. It was resolved that a deposit account be opened, the amount to the end of September 2025 transferred and a standing order be set up for payments from October onwards be set up.
- d. A budget control sheet was given to all Councillors for the first quarter of the financial year.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

No comments were made to the amendment for:

S/086/01190/24	National Grid	Consultation from the Planning Inspectorate on EIA scoping opinion regarding the DCO for the proposed Grimsby to Walpole project at Asserby Road, Asserby.
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OBJECTIONS remain for the amendment to:

02233/25/FUL	Mr S Halliday	Change of use of land to use for the stationing of caravans for residential purposes (works complete) at land Adjoining Mill House, Main Road AMENDED: Reduction of number of caravans from 5 to 3
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The issues previously reported still exist. Does this application include the summer house/log cabin?

9. TO REPORT ANY PLANNING DECISIONS FROM ELDC

REFUSAL of planning permission has been received for:

S/169/00145/25	Mrs S Barham	Erection of a boundary wall (works completed) at The Beeches, Main Road
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FULL planning permission has been received for:

00375/25/FUL	Mr & Mrs Wride	Erection of a bungalow with detached double garage and alterations to existing access. Evacuation of an attenuation pond and siting of a temporary static caravan at Wydale House, Main Road
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TO REPORT ANY PLANNING DECISIONS FROM ELDC - continued

An Appeal has been DISMISSED for:

S/169/00025/24	Mr & Mrs Cash	Outline erection of 46 dwellings (with means of access and site layout to be considered) at land adjacent to William Lovell Church of England Academy/Stickney Meadows.
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An APPEAL will take place at ELDC offices on Tuesday 05 August at 10.00am against an Enforcement Notice served on the owner of Land at Stickney Showground, East Fen Lane.

10. TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REPLACEMENT OF THE BENCH AT THE HALL LANE/MAIN ROAD JUNCTION

Following discussion it was resolved to remove the bench and put this item on the next agenda for a decision whether to replace it or not.

11. TO DISCUSS THE LIGHTS FOR CHRISTMAS 2025

The lights will be ordered when the Councillor Community grant is received.

12. CEMETERY:

- a. The Clerk received a phone call regarding the Elif grant application stating that some match funding would help with the grant. It was suggested 20% of the total, £2,334.00 should be paid by the Parish Council towards the work referred to for the grant. The Clerk, being the Proper Officer of the Council agreed to this on behalf of the Parish Council.
- b. The Parish Council agreed with the decision as the amount means that £11,622.00 will be spent on the works required in the cemetery.
- c. It was resolved that, should the grant be approved and received before the meeting in September, the Clerk should order the works to be carried out.
- d. A large cherry tree that was blown over in the Churchyard was cut up and cleared away as an emergency job due to overhanging the A16 slightly.
- e. The PCC will be asked if the stump can be converted to hold a Christmas tree.

13. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING LICENCE FOR WILLIAM LOVELL ACADEMY

- a. The Clerk and Cllr Hopkins met with LCC and representatives from the school to discuss the project.
- b. The 'garden' area to be used was approved as long as the mains water and water meter for the school were not near the digging work to be carried out. The area will be marked out with sleepers so there will be no tripping hazard.
- c. A plan of the work was requested from the school and to be sent to the Parish Council, this has not yet been received.
- d. The paving at the bench at Horbling Lane/Main Road will be carried out in due course.

14. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING REQUEST FOR CYCLE ROUTE FROM STICKFORD TO SIBSEY NORTHLANDS

- a. This was covered in County Cllr Hume's report.
- b. The paperwork will be looked at in more detail ready for discussion at the next meeting.
- c. Consultation with local residents may be required.
- d. The Parish Council are not responsible to checking if there are any utilities along the footpaths, or for paying for the cycle route.

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15. TO REPORT HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a. To discuss Community Speed Watch
 - i. The Clerk is to meet with LRSP when the new 30mph signs are delivered.
 - ii. The group at Sibsey will be asked again if they would consider 'sharing ' equipment and volunteers with volunteers from Stickney.
- b. To discuss interactive speed signs
 - i. The suppliers of the quote we have are no longer supplying interactive speed signs.
 - ii. New prices have been sought, but it needs to be agreed how many signs are needed and if funding for these signs is available.
- c. Any other highways issues
 - i. Cars parking on the grass verges is an issue in the village.
 - ii. Hedges overhanging the footways in the village need to be cut back. These will be reported on Fix my Street for LCC to deal with.

16. PLAY AREA REPORT

- a. The issue with the bins is not as bad as it was, thanks to a resident who empties them regularly. New bins will still be sought.
- b. The grass is in need of cutting.

17. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR THIS MEETING

A brochure was made available to Councillors.

18. OTHER BUSINESS – MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. To discuss 'white gates' for the village boarders.
- b. To agree a tender for grass cutting.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

04 September 2025 at 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting with a Public Forum from 7.15pm at the Youth Centre, Hall Lane

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00pm

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