

# TORKSEY PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES

### AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
Beginning at 7.30 pm.  
St Peter's Church, Main Street, Torksey

**19.01 Those Present.**

Cllr Johnson.

Cllr Bridges.

Cllr Large.

Cllr Ford.

Cllr Scawthon.

Mr R. Pilgrim.

Parish Clerk. District Councillor

Members of the Public.

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**19.02 Apologies for absence.**

Cllr Levitt: Having been informed of the reason for her absence, Council approved her apologies for absence.

**19.03 Declarations of Interest.**

None received.

**19.04 Approval of the Minutes of the last Meeting.**

**Resolved.** That the Minutes of the last meeting, held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 be approved as a true record.

Proposed Cllr Scawthon. Seconded Johnson. Carried unanimously.

**19.05 Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting and not included in this agenda.**

None received.

**19.06 Draft Minutes to Councillors. Timescale and format.**

After a short discussion it was decided that the Minutes should be circulated to Councillor's within seven days of the meeting.

Proposed Cllr Scawthon Seconded Cllr Large. Carried unanimously.

**19.07 Amendments to the agenda by Resolution.**

**Grass Cutting A156 Western Verge.**

The growth on the banking has now grown so high that it is beginning to look very untidy and is falling onto the pathway. The Clerk has contacted West Lindsey District Council who will ask the contractor to cut the growth back, away from the pathway.

**19.08 Lincolnshire Care Services Directory 2023.**

Council decided that rather than receiving hard copies, which will have to be delivered in the Parish, that a copy should be put onto the Website and Facebook Page.

**19.09 Emergency Plan.**

Cllr Scawthon will contact Cllr Carman for a copy of the Plan.

**19.10 Fund Raising for Parishes. ASTCO Clothing Bank.**

Having included the Clothing bank on both the website and the Facebook page, there is evidence that it is being used. Council should now expect to receive a small income from the Bank.

**19.11 Events in St Peter's Church.**

a. FilmBankMedia. Film night. (Cllr L. Levitt).

Cllr Levitt absent. Defer until the September meeting.

**19.12 Information Kiosk.**

a. Cost of refurbishment.

Cllr Levitt absent. Defer until the September meeting.

**19.13 Village Green.**

a. **Monthly Inspection.** No change.

b. **EIBE: Play Fort maintenance and Painting.** (Cllr N. Large).

The initial cost of refurbishment and painting came to approximately £12,500. Council considered this too expensive. EIBE has agreed to produce a third quotation which would allow for continual replacement over a period of time, rather than staining and refurbishing. This would also keep the Play Fort safe for users as there is a continuous inspection regime in place to monitor safety.

Any decision will now be deferred until the new quotation is received.  
Proposed Cllr Large. Seconded Cllr Scawthon. Carried unanimously.

c. **Sponsored event on the village green for July 2024.**

Cllr R. Pilgrim will approach other local Parish Councils to see if would like to become involved in organising the event.

d. **Croquet Club Lawn Works. Grant application.**

Resolved: That Council Fund the Croquet Club for one year only. Council will consider a further year in due course..

Proposed Cllr Bridges. Seconded Cllr Large. Carried unanimously.

e. **Strimming; Missed Areas.**

The two benches at the far eastern end of the Village Green have again been missed. The Clerk will contact Continental Landscapes.

Continental Landscapes will also be reminded that the issue of self-sets on the southern side of the Village Green will need to be addressed before the end of the year.

**20.14 Highways Issues.**

**Traffic Calming**

a. **Street Furniture.** Gateways. North end of the village. (Cllr S. Scawthon).

Cllr Scawthon has an appointment on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023 with Highways to discuss placement of the gates.

b. **Extension of the 50-mph speed limit from Marton to Torksey.** (Cllr S. Scawthon).

Council's request for an extension of the speed limit has been refused by LCC Highways.

**20.15 Health and Safety.**

a. **Village Green.** No issues reported.

b. **Cemetery.** No issues.

c. **Play Area.** No new issues. RoSPA Inspection due in August 2023.

**20.16 The Parish.**

Cllr Large to write an article about the clothing bank, which will be used as a last edition of The Parish. Also included will be a short article concerning the possibility of organising a film evening. Electors will be asked to respond to clerk@torksey.org.uk so that Council can judge if such an event would be viable.

**20.17 Facebook Page.**

Content will be uploaded as and when needed.

**20.18 Finance.**

a. **Financial Statement**

**Resolved.** That the Financial Statement for June be approved as a true record.

Proposed Cllr Scawthon. Seconded Cllr Johnson. Carried unanimously.

b. **Clerk's Salary and Expenses.**

£70.18

**Resolved.** That the Clerk's Salary and Expenses be approved for payment.

Proposed Cllr Scawthon. Seconded Cllr Ford. Carried unanimously.

c. **Invoices for payment July 2023.**

HMRC PAYE	£70.00
WLDC Elections Expenses.	£119.50
LALC Course Health & Safety.	£210.00
WAVE.	£62.70
Continental Landscapes	£3156.00
Continental Landscapes	£429.60

**Resolved.** That the expenditure at 20.18.c be approved for payment.

Proposed Cllr Ford. Seconded Cllr Johnson. Carried unanimously.

**20.19 Correspondence.**

No Comments.

**20.20 Future Agenda Items.**

Speed indicator signs

**20.21 Dates for Future Meetings.**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**20.22 Closure of the meeting.**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 20.50 hrs (08.50 pm).

**Approval of the Minutes. Chairman.....Date.....**