

Auboum and Haddington Annual Parish Meeting  
11 April 2023 at 18:00

Minute no.	Item
APM 01.04.23	<p><b><u>In attendance:</u></b> Cllr Mosedale (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Woodman MBE (Vice Chairman), Cllr Snape, Cllr Mrs Placket-Smith, Cllr Mrs Green (N.K.D.C), Cllr Mrs Overton (LCC), Kerrie Vickers (Parish Clerk), 2 members of the public.</p> <p>Councillor Mosedale welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish Meeting.</p>
APM 02.04.23	<p><b><u>Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held 19.05.2022 and any matters arising –</u></b> <u>Agreed and signed as a true record</u></p>
APM 03.04.23	<p><b><u>Chairman’s Report for the year</u></b> - Cllr Mosedale gave his report. <b>Appendix 1</b></p>
APM 04.04.23	<p><b><u>Public Time</u></b> No comments or queries were raised by the members of the public present.</p> <p>Councillor Mrs Green and Councillor Mrs Overton thanked the Parish Council for their work and commitment to the Parish.</p>
	<p><b>Meeting closed at 18:30</b></p>

Please note, these minutes are in draft form until authorised at the next Annual Parish Meeting

## **Appendix 1**

### **Chairman’s report for the year**

It has been a very busy and varied year for the Parish Council that included the Queens jubilee, the Queens’s death and changes of personnel within the Parish Council.

### **Councillors**

Cllr Fred Harston resigned as he has moved to another district, and we thank him for all his contributions to the Parish.

Cllr Daniel Earnshaw was co-opted to the Parish Council in April 2022 but unfortunately resigned in Feb 2023. Daniel will be missed, and we thank him for all his involvement with the Parish Council.

Cllr Jason Snape was co-opted to the Parish Council in May 2022.

### **Meeting MP Dr Caroline Johnson August**

I met with our local MP Dr Caroline Johnson and other members of local Parishes at Norton Disney village Hall. Various topics were discussed namely local traffic issues, North Hykeham Relief Road and current political activities surrounding the removal of Boris Johnson as PM.

### **Precept**

The setting of the precept incurred an increase of 17.5% mainly due to the replacement of streetlights and the increase of electricity tariffs. The increase for 2023/24 has been increased by 3.00% bearing in mind the cost of electricity and streetlight replacement program.

The Parish changed its Banking service from Barclays to Unity Trust Bank in September 2022 after very poor service from Barclays. The new banking service enables us to take advantage of online services and authorisation of payments and is work extremely well. Big thank to Kerrie Vickers for her work on making this happen.

### **Traffic**

The volume of traffic is increasing especially as we adjust to the removal of Covid 19 restrictions. The website has details of traffic volumes for parishioners to see. We were able to secure an additional Speed Indicator device from a contribution from the Lost Village. We have replaced damaged speed signs and installed new ones at various locations within the Villages.

The North Hykeham Relief Road has had two presentations of route in Sept 2022 and April 2023 which I attended and spoke to various representatives. My main concern put to them was of traffic backing up on the A46 from Newark and that we would expect a lot of Traffic through Haddington to avoid the traffic lights on the roundabout at Pennels. I also spoke about weight restrictions for both Haddington and Aubourn.

### **Street Lights**

We have issues with streetlights in that the Sodium lamps are now in very short supply and will need replacing with LED lamps. These are running at about £350.00 each. We have in the last three weeks replaced 7 sodium lamps and will continue as required basis for the outstanding lamps.

### **Roads**

The footpath at Sky Lane was being used as a short cut by some individuals and has subsequently been closed to traffic by LCC after complaints from residents and the Parish Council.

After many months of complaining to Highways about the state of Bridge Road junction with South Hykeham Road we eventually got a reconstructed road surface in January 2023.

Potholes have been a real pain to people but after successfully lobbying Highways we are now in a position of getting repairs done a very short period of time. Parishioners are advised to log potholes with FixMyStreet as soon as they appear.

### **Annual Inspection of Assets**

An inspection of all the assets belonging to the Parish Council was undertaken in August 2022 and did not reveal any serious issue that required urgent attention.

### **Xmas Tree**

Once again, the Xmas tree on Aubourn Green was donated by the Bassingham Ball committee and was gratefully received. Local parishioners erected the tree decorated. A big thank you to Mark Davies for supplying the power for the lights.

### **Royal Oak Lane bench**

The bench on Royal Oak Lane was in a very poor condition and required a refurbishment. This was carried out by Cllr Daniel Earnshaw and resulted in a bench that looked brand new.

### **Platinum Jubilee**

The Platinum Jubilee was celebrated by Parishioners at Aubourn Hall gardens.

### **Queen Elizabeth II Death**

It was with great sorrow that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II passed away in September 2022. As a mark of respect, a bench has been positioned on Haddington green with a commemorative plaque noting the reign Queen Elizabeth II

### **Heritage**

A Heritage Day took place at the Clock Tower in Aubourn and raised £116.00 for the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance.

### **Lady Neville**

It is with sadness that Lady Jean Neville passed away aged 99 on 31 December 2022. She was a very happy and chatty resident of Aubourn and will be missed.

### **Forthcoming elections**

The current Parish Council will be dissolved as of 3rd May and a newly elected Parish council will be inducted Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

### **Parish Clerk**

A very big thank you needs to go out to our Parish Clerk Kerrie Vickers in the way that she has conducted herself and managed the Finances of the Council. Her management has been invaluable to us and is well appreciated.

### **Parishioners**

We as the Parish Council still have a long way to go to get more involvement from our parishioners and will make this a highlight activity in the forthcoming session.

**Thank you's**

Louise South and Jackie Maddox - Litter Pickers

Alister Ogg - Maintenance of the grounds of the Clock tower

Amanda - Cleaning of the Clock tower

Mary Green - District Councillor

Marianne Overton - District Councillor

Finally, A very big thank you from me to my Parish Council colleagues for all the help, assistance, advice and general encouragement throughout the year.

John Mosedale  
(Chairman)