

**MINUTES of the MEETING of MISSON PARISH COUNCIL  
Held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014**

**Councillors Present:** A Cameron, Cllrs R McIlroy (Chairman), C Stringer (from item 8),  
E Vallance, A Woolliams  
District Cllr A Simpson, County Cllr L Yates

**Public Participation** Five residents attended.

County Cllr Yates reported on:

- I. Idle Valley Management Plan development to address flooding issues
- II. NCC budget cuts that impact on the area including the loss of the youth bus, local Highways Depots & the majority of the LIS Grant; the continuation of the Lengthsman Scheme
- III. Energy issues including new oil, gas & minerals extraction; solar & wind farm proposals in the region. The planning considerations for these are made by NCC & Liz can advise.
- IV. HGV movements through villages – ongoing dialogue with NCC Officers to address issues.

District Cllr Simpson reported on the onshore oil & gas extraction presentations at the recent NEBF meeting:

- I. Both the pro & anti fracking presentations seemed to give a balanced view
- II. No direct evidence of procedures from the UK, & believe the US procedures will not be the models adopted in the UK. Cllr Simpson has personal experience of successful IGas oil extraction as a near neighbour.
- III. Believe IGas expect to find no more than two suitable sites in Bassetlaw; no suitable extraction sites were found in the whole of Lincolnshire

Cllr Cameron also reported on the NEBF presentations & was concerned that IGas CEO accepted that the company had no/little experience of shale gas fracking & that their expertise was in the extraction of on-shore oil & methane.

A resident described his experience of drilling & the disruption such an installation is likely to cause to everyday life in a parish community.

**(1) Apologies for Absence.** Cllrs V Shilling, J Sutherland

**(2) Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary & None Pecuniary Interests.** None

**(3) Minutes of the Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> March 2014.** Council resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

**(4) Matters Arising from Minutes of Last Meeting not on the Agenda.** None

**(5) To review progress with odour reduction at Tunnel Tech.**

The TTCC made their report as follows:

- A demonstration took place at the full BDC Council Meeting at Retford Town Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> March. This has resulted in a meeting scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> April with Cllr Julie Leigh, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods. This opportunity will be taken to appraise Cllr Leigh of the seriousness of the nuisance & urgency of BDC taking enforcement action.
- Sixteen local residents attended the recent TTCC meeting confirming the ongoing odour issues. It was reported by a 'third party' that the TTCC/MPC consideration of action against BDC under their Duty of Care had released reports of potential legal actions BDC are considering. This was welcome news to MPC & residents.
- TTCC asked that Bawtry TC were asked to encourage residents to report odour incidents, which were currently occurring in their area.

**Clerk**

Cllr Cameron reported that he had legal information on the Duty of Care & Judicial Review procedures, which he would pass on to TTCC.

**Cllr Cameron**

The clerk reported that following discussions with Amy she had invited Mr Ladyman & the team to present to the June MPC meeting.

#### **(6) Planning:**

- a. **Planning decisions:-** 14/00063/HSE carry out partial demolition of building, alter & erect extensions to Woodfield House, Newington Rd, Newington – granted.
- b. **Planning applications:-** 14/00235/FUL - erection of a detached dwelling, land north of Holly House, Station Road, Misson. MPC objected to the application and made the following comments – the proposed dwelling does not appear to comply with BDC LDF Core Strategy & Policies with regard to construction partially outside the development boundary
- c. **To consider any other Planning Matters:-**
  - Misson Site Allocations Consultation – Members **resolved** to support the proposed Misson Mill site development to meet the 18 housing unit requirements identified, together with the development of further economic units. Members **noted** that in extending the development boundary for this proposal, the existing Mill Site could be subject to further development pressures for which there was no established need. This issue will be considered within the proposed Neighbourhood Plan.
  - Members noted that the first Neighbourhood Planning meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm. Members & residents are invited to attend. **Members**
  - Members **instructed** the clerk to thank Hanson's for their consideration of the Misson community & MPC views with regard to the 3-D seismic survey. As the survey was now complete MPC understood that this had not taken place on the quarry workings. **Clerk**
  - MPC considered a resident's suggestion that Members undertake a site visit of planning applications within the parish to inform their decision-making. The clerk was seeking advice from BDC, which Members would review to inform their practice. **Clerk**

#### **(7) Neighbourhood issues**

The Clerk reported that she would be preparing a Cemetery Management report for consideration at a future MPC meeting, following the guidance provided at the recent cemetery management training.

#### **(8) Communications including BDC & NCC Broadband Scheme updates**

- BDC were happy with the resident expressions of interest in the BDC scheme obtained at the recent Planning event. Consequently, they will be testing masts on the church tower on 11<sup>th</sup> April. BDC believe the best way to operate the scheme will be via the community, eg via a Community Interest Company (CIC) which would own the local network. MPC, as a representative community body, **instructed** the clerk to invite BDC & RCAN to discuss the establishment of a CIC, or other suitable vehicle, with MPC at their next meeting. **Clerk**
- Members reviewed the 'connectivity issues' which NCC believes should exclude Misson from the NCC Rural Broadband Scheme. It was apparent to Members that NCC had simply the wrong information regarding the BT cabinet/exchange infrastructure serving Misson. The telephone infrastructure currently serving Misson should not be a barrier to inclusion in the NCC Scheme. Members **instructed** the clerk to inform NCC of the position & make the additional economic & social arguments discussed to make the case for Misson's inclusion. **Clerk**

#### **(9) Road Safety, Highways & Parish Paths**

- Members **resolved** to accept the NCC grant offer of 50% funding towards a Lengthsman Scheme during 2014-15. The programme will be scheduled once funding & contracting was completed with NCC.

#### **(10) Policing.** No report at this meeting.

### (11) Financial reports.

- The clerk presented the financial statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 and Council **resolved** to accept it.

MPC current account balance @ 28/02/14	£ 4,195.65
MPC deposit account balance @ 28/02/14	<u>£10,508.90</u>
Total funds	<u>£14,704.55</u>

- Following appraisal of cemetery fee comparators Members **requested** the Clerk to make a Recommendation Report on Misson Cemetery Fees for 2014 -15 to the next meeting. **Clerk**
- Members **noted** the date of the Annual Audit Return as 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014. The final accounts and Return for 2013-14 will be presented for approval at the next MPC meeting.

### (12) Cheques

Council **resolved** to **approve** the following cheques for payment:

Chq. No	Item.	Amount.
000821	S A Scott	£304.54
000822	S A Scott	£218.52

**(13) Legislative Reform Order.** Members noted the Repeal of s.150 (5) of the Local Government Act which would allow for electronic payments to be made, with adequate safeguards in place, rather than using the current cheques system. Following discussion, Members **resolved** to make no changes to the current MPC payments method at present.

**(14) Elections.** Members noted the date, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014, of the EU, District & Parish Council Elections. The clerk passed on Nomination Packs to Members & drew to their attention the deadline for submission, in person, to BDC Offices at Worksop. Cllr Stringer notified fellow Members that he would not be standing for re-election in May having significantly greater work commitments.

**(15) Correspondence.** There was no additional correspondence.

**(16) Council confirmed** date of next meeting as Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at 7.30pm. Members noted that this would not be the Annual MPC meeting which would now take place in June following the parish elections.