

Minutes of the

Stubton Parish Council Meeting

held on

Monday 7th September 2015

Present Mr H Wilson Chair
 Mr R Thornton Vice Chair
 Mr M Davis
 Mrs A Wise.

Apologies were received from Ms L Stevenson and Cllr Sampson

1. Declarations of interest: Cllr Thornton declared himself as a member of reVOLT and VETO and Cllr Wilson declared he was a member of reVOLT but no financial gain was involved for either person in either case.
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as a correct record.
3. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
- 3.1 Defibrillator: The presentation to the village has been arranged for 29th September 2015 at 7.30pm
- 3.2 Drainage Ditch: work completed and large pipe installed which is currently working very well.
- 3.3 Windfarm: Since the last meeting RWE have announced that they will not be appealing the refusal of planning permission for Temple Hill. Also the Nocton Fen proposal has been withdrawn
- 3.3.1 Cllr Wilson has spoken to Mr and Mrs Bird regarding the use of Church Lane for deliveries and it was explained to him that Rectory Farm is listed as a separate farm and registered with DEFRA which is why the planning applications are viewed differently.
- 3.4 Beeswax: It was agreed that Cllrs Thornton and Wilson will arrange a meeting with Beeswax once harvest is complete.
- 3.5 Village Speed Signs: The proposed sites have been agreed and the speed signs delivered and these will be in-situ within the next week.
- 3.6 Village BBQ: very successful once again and all thanks given to everyone who helped and attended.

- 3.7 Highways: reply received stating no problems with the view to the level crossing lights when approaching the crossing down Claypole Road. Church Lane has been visited and the state of the road is so poor that a separate order will be given when other work in the area needs to be done. This reply received on 15th July and the Clerk will follow this up with regard to the timing of the repair.
- 3.8 A reply was awaited from Network Rail regarding their plans for Claypole level crossing.
4. Fulbeck Airfield Wind Farm
- 4.1 Cllr Thornton as a member of VETO updated the meeting on the situation regarding EnergieKontor who have lodged a planning application with SKDC for 10 x 361 ft turbines at Fulbeck Airfield. A rebuttal document is being prepared. Also, the legislation regarding wind farms has been altered since the new Government came to power and the opinions of local communities are very important in the decision making process. It was therefore imperative that villagers wrote with their objections (or support) to SKDC and an email would be sent out on the village list to this effect asap as we are lead to believe that this application will be processed quite swiftly. Equally the fact that both Stubton and Hough on the Hill have Neighbourhood Plans in place will play a role in the decision.
- 4.2 It was not clear why EnergieKontor has proceeded with its application after that of RWE was refused but one train of thought was that the wind industry needed a test case following the new legislation.
- 4.3 Publicity regarding the application was growing and Cllrs Thornton and Wilson, as members of reVOLT who are working in conjunction with VETO, have been interviewed by Radio Lincolnshire and ITV are producing a piece about the proposal on Friday 11th September.
5. **Planning**
- 5.1 Application from EnergieKontor as discussed above.
- 5.2 Application for residential extension at Stubton Hill Farm - no objections.
6. **Any Other Business**
- 6.1 It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that Stubton fell into a designated area for shale gas exploration; this appeared on both the “Frack Off” sites (opposition) and the Shale and Gas site (Government info).
- 6.2 Light pollution from residential security lights was raised and the Clerk will investigate the rules in this respect.
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The next meeting will be held on Monday 9th November 2015