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METHERINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman of the Council Cllr Mark Worthington.

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Committee Members listed: Cllr's J Green; J Gwilym; C Redpath; R Grummitt; R Castle; T Child (Reserve Member) and the Chair Cllr M Worthington (ex-officio Member).

Note: All Members of the Parish Council may attend this meeting and on the discretion of the Chair contribute to the meeting, but may not vote. Members who wish to join this committee may apply to be allocated to it at the 26th August 2025 Full Council meeting.

Draft minutes

(Posted 5:30pm 18/08/2025)

Draft minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting of Metherringham Parish Council, which was held in the Parish Council Office, High Street, Metherringham, LN4 3DZ on Friday 22nd August 2025 at 6.30pm. There was a public forum at 6:15pm prior to the meeting where members of the public, County and District Councillor's, together with any other members of public bodies present can make short statements of up to 3 minutes to the Members of the Parish Council for a period of 15 mins in total.

Signed: *John F Money*

John F Money Clerk/ Proper Officer;

Metherringham Parish Council High Street Metherringham LN4 3DZ.

18th August 2025.

Public Forum: No one present

The Meeting continued in formal session under Standing Orders.

(In extenuating circumstances the Chair may move the meeting out of formal session to allow a member of the public to speak, this option was enacted several times during the meeting to provide open forum).

1. To Elect a Committee Chair for the year 2025/26. meeting

a) Chair's opening remarks together with housekeeping issues: The Chair of the Council opened the Meeting with the usual housekeeping issues and asked for nominations for a Chair of

this committee; being proposed and seconded it was resolved unanimously Cllr Roy Grummitt be elected Chair for the year 2025/26.

2. To note apologies for absence: Cllr Rob Castle; Cllr T Child.

3. Members Declarations of Interests:

- a. Members may make any declarations of interest at this point but may also make them at any point during the meeting in accordance with Metherringham Parish Councils Code of Conduct; None given.
- b. Dispensations: To consider and accept dispensation request received by the Proper Officer from relevant members in accordance with Metherringham Parish Councils Code of Conduct; None applied for.
- c. Members are reminded to review and revise their declaration of interest form held by NKDC where any change of circumstances have occurred. The Proper officer to hand out DPI flow charts which may remain on the chamber table during meetings): Duly noted.

4.To ratify the draft minutes (for accuracy purposes only) of any previous minutes. None to endorse.

5. Homestead Fields and Quarry Close Section 106/111 agreements. Overview and brief explanation by officers of possible POS enhancement and eligible projects, i.e:

- a. **Multi use games area (MUGA):** After a short debate it was resolved that officers investigate this further with view to making an application to NKDC Section 106 allocations panel to ascertain the eligibility of a MUGA costing approximately £80,000.
Action officers.
- b. **Sports pavilion:** During the debate it was noted that previously a sports pavilion had been designed and attained planning consent in 2007; also in 2016 a further consultation was undertaken with an architect from Shropshire these projects were noted and it was resolved that officers and committee members on the take further research before Making a request to the Section 106 panel. **Action officers.**
- c.
- d. **Replacement park benches within the settlement:** The parish council Handy person had prepared a schedule of all the existing benches and it was resolved that officers make a representation to the NKDC panel for replacement using Section 106 Money.
Action officers & Handy Person.
- e. **Enhancement to the play-parks equipment and their encompassed areas:** It has come to the notice of officers that some of the areas to prevent injury from falling needed to be upgraded in the play park on Prince's Street. It was agreed to fence off one area with Herris fencing until remedial action could be taken and it was also resolved that officers Including the Handy Person prepare a schedule of improvement together with the external examiners report to be submitted to NKDC panel as before; it was also agreed that if this money was not forthcoming from Section 106 payments it would have to be funded from Parish Council reserves. **Action officers & Handy Person.**

- f. **Village Hall enhancement (not repairs or renewals):** A short debate took place about the possibility of enhancing the Village Hall. But at the moment that did not seem practical and it was resolved that officers research any lease or license agreements with view to negotiating with the Village Hall to ascertain where the repairing liability lies.
Action Chair of the council, Committee Chair & officers.
- g. **Provision of a new library:** A short debate took place about the replacement of library facilities but no resolution was made.

6. Homestead Fields Section 106 agreement:

a. Other commitments contained/omitted within the document for comment:

The Clerk/Proper officer went through the Section 106 agreements that related to Homestead Fields, Members were disappointed that there does not seem to be any planning obligations for education and that the planning obligation relating to primary healthcare was directed to a potential Primary Health Care Hub facility that is possibly going to be provided somewhere adjacent to the Lincoln East bypass. It was resolved that officers communicate with North Kesteven District Council and make their feelings of members down relating to the inadequacy of both education and primary healthcare provision. **Action Clerk/Proper Officer.**

8. Potential replacement of 21/21a High Street buildings: After a short debate it was resolved that the potential replacement of 21/21 a High Street is to be a re-occurring agenda item.

9. Application 25/0679/FUL Land adjacent to the Old Windmill update: The application number 25/0679/FUL was discussed and the Clerk/Proper officer advised Members to look at the comments that parishioners had lodged on NKDC planning online Website. **Action Members.**

10. Other planning applications received for comment to the LPA: It was resolved to support the new hardstanding proposed of Scoley Court adjacent to the NKDC Waste & Street Scene depot. **Action Clerk/Proper Officer.**

11. Potential grant aid for capital projects: it was resolved that officers should pursue all avenues of grant aid funding and it would prove helpful for a Partnerships Officer from NKDC come along to explain the grants available to Members in Public Session of one of our meetings. **Action Clerk/Proper Officer.**

11. Date of the next meeting: 23rd September 2025