

**Minutes of the Keelby Parish Council Meeting**  
**Held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 commencing 7:45pm.**

**Those Present:** Councillors T Wright (Chair), M Turner, T Bentham, S Knight, R Bedwell, M Soar, C Tym, and K Beedham

**In Attendance:** Cllr O Bierley, Cllr A Lawrence and 4 members of the public

1. **Apologies - Ref 25/47**– Councillors E Darwood, R Dannatt,
2. **To receive dispensations and declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or on-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of interest Ref 25/48** – none

**3. Public Question Time Ref - 25/49**

There were no questions from the public at this meeting

**4. County Councillor's Report - Ref 25/50**

Cllr T Smith said he had been chasing the tree issues on Riby Road. Cllr T Smith was asked to clarify why the work was not getting done as we have significant concerns regarding the size of the trees and their proximity to houses. The self-seeded trees on South Street are still under review.

**5. District Councillor's Report - Ref 25/51**

The report from Cllr Owen Bierley had previously been circulated and there were no comments. The chair said he was pleased to hear that Cllr Bierley had accepted a place on the Council's newly formed Sport and Leisure Task and Finish Group and that West Lindsey's operational services have agreed to attend Keelby gala.

**6. Councillor vacancies/ Co-option of councillor – Ref 25/52**

There has been no interest in the councillor vacancy.

7. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025 - Ref 25/53** - It was proposed, seconded and resolved that these minutes are a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

**8. Clerk's Report – Ref 25/54**

Clerk reported that our handyman had dug out the base for the bench and removed the basal growth from the trees in the cemetery. There are still some trees to do on Riby Road. Cllr O Bierley and Cllr A Lawrence have kindly agreed to give us a grant of £300 each towards the cost of the noticeboard. The map for the back of the notice board was distributed. It was suggested that we should have a 'you are here' pointer on the map. Cllr T Wright said he would ask if another draft of the map could be produced showing this before a decision is made.

A Facebook post had been done asking for a volunteer to organise the voluntary car scheme and there had not been any interest.

A request has been received for a mobile fish and chip van to come to the village every fortnight. The business had offered to pay £10 for 4 hours to run the lights and fridge. It was resolved that £10 would be accepted but the amount of electricity used will be monitored and the price reviewed if necessary. The business is aware that this arrangement will cease when the fish and chip shop re-opens in the village.

Clerk mentioned the new councillor training course on 6<sup>th</sup> May.

The clerk had shared her Dropbox folder with all the meeting documents with councillors prior to the meeting and the chair encouraged councillors to use it.

Cllr M Turner had received feedback on the excellent work Peter had done in the cemetery. This is to be fed back to Peter.

### 9. Financial Matters – Ref 25/55

The payment schedule was checked by Cllr T Bentham. It was resolved to approve the payments. Cllr T Wright signed as Chair

It was resolved to appoint Mr S Davis as internal auditor

Invoice Date	Supplier	Description	Cost	Bank Payee
28.03.25	Staff Costs		£877.10	
29.01.25	J Milson	Mileage	£21.60	
26.03.25	Autela Payroll Services	Payroll Dec-Mar	£135.00	
07.03.25	Wicksteed	Part for Elephant Springy	£101.65	
15.03.25	WLDC	2 green bins for cemetery	£92.00	
01.04.25	Keelby Sports Association	Split cost for new lock & key	£62.40	

### 10. Parish Matters Ref 25/56

- Cemetery tap – no update on the tap as Cllr Dannatt is not in attendance. As the paddock next to the cemetery was raised at the Parish meeting Cllr T Wright reported that we are aware that the paddock next to the cemetery may be available to purchase and that we are in communication with the owner. The owner is aware of the council's interest in obtaining it as an extension to the cemetery.
- Installation of mirror opposite Cissplatt Lane – defer to next meeting.
- Councillor volunteer Scheme – it was resolved to request help with more footpaths and the area on the right before the Sport's Ground.
- A request has been received from Cyden Homes for street names the development behind the Co-op. Suggestions from councillors have been to use names from the cenotaph drawn out of the hat, Viking names, names connected with the French twinning town and names of previous parish, county and district councillors. Viking names was not seconded so there was a vote on the other 3 options. There were 3 votes for names from the cenotaph, 5 votes for names from twinning and 3 votes for the ex-councillors. It was resolved to ask for the main street to be named Rue de Maisdon and that the remaining street name suggestions to be taken from ex-councillors. Tony Turner, John Indian, Edna Hughes, John Moorcroft, Malcolm Fytche.
- Projects for 2025 – We have a carryover of unspent funds due to unplanned income from the cemetery. Project suggestions are Flagpole £500, Cenotaph refurbishment £2300, Christmas tree £225, Cemetery memorial testing £1700. The clerk said that these are all indicative costs, and new quotes will need to be obtained. Cllr M Turner suggested that a gravelled/hard area could be made to incorporate the notice board, new Christmas tree and seating on the village green. It was agreed that this would be worth looking into. Cllr M Turner to get some costs for this. Councillors voted on whether to include a flagpole in this area and it was resolved not to include one. The memorial testing is a requirement as it is overdue so this should be the priority followed by the renovation of the cenotaph, and then the area on the village green.
- Update on Alice South charity – Cllr S Knight to ask the trustees of Alice South if this charity can be advertised as there are concerns that residents don't know that this charity exists. The quarterly update was requested for the next meeting.

**11. Reports from external organisations - Ref 25/57**

**Sports Association** – no update on the priority work has been received from Cllr Dannatt. There is a KSA meeting on Sunday and Cllrs Turner and Dannatt are attending.

**Community Speed Watch** – nothing to report. There is still no co-ordinator. Clerk to do another Facebook post regarding this.

**Village Hall** – The insurance query regarding the rifle club has been sorted. The old caretakers house has been rented out to Angel Gowns. A bench has been donated which has been sited in the garden. A garden party has been booked for the 12<sup>th</sup> July in the village hall garden which is the same day as the gala. Cllr T Bentham to check this at the next meeting. The pantomime had made c£2000 and £600 was made on the bar which makes a total of £13,600 in the bank. A new carpet has been fitted in the meeting room. A 40s dance has been organised on May 10<sup>th</sup> and tickets are £15.

**Library & Youth Club** – Cllr Beedham reported that their annual grant will be paid. The lease is up in November which will be renewed. Some redecoration has been done in the youth club and there is an art and calligraphy group starting tomorrow. A tabletop sale will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month starting in May and an interview is taking place on Thursday for a new youth leader. Cllr T Smith is assisting in getting the toilets updated and is waiting for a reply on this.

Mr Geoff Hirst has recently retired after 10 years of work keeping the library open. It was requested that a letter of thanks should be sent to him.

**12. Correspondence - Ref 25/58 – none received****13. Planning applications and decisions received, update on ongoing applications – Ref 25/58**

WL/2025/00277 – 1 Brocklesby Road to be returned no comment.

WL/2025/00310 – 2 Newsham Gardens to be returned no comment.

WL/2024/00301 - Riby Road development - there is a meeting tomorrow at the Guildhall, and the suggestion from WLDC planning is that it goes ahead.

**14. Items for consideration at the next meeting – Ref 25/59**

Litter picking

**15. Date and time of next meeting - Ref 25/60**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 19:00 in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 20:48