

# Croft Parish Council

Minutes of the full Council Meeting held at Croft Village Hall on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025**, commencing at 7:00pm. These are notes of the meeting until approved by the Council as a true and accurate record.

## Present:

Cllrs A Coxall (Chair), C Drury (Vice-Chair - Parish and District Councillor), G Bowser, S Drury, and N Dennis; and Clerk - J Sargent.

## Public Session

There were no members of the public in attendance.

## To receive a report from East Lindsey District Councillor - Cllr C Drury

No report provided.

## To receive a report from Lincolnshire County Councillor Report - Cllr J Brookes

Cllr Brookes was not in attendance; no report provided.

## 37. Welcome from the Chair of the Council.

The Chair welcomed all present, confirmed quorum and thanked Councillors for their attendance.

## 38. Apologies

It was **resolved unanimously** to accept apologies from Cllrs G Batten and S Gould. No apologies received from Cllr N Cooper.

## 39. Declarations of Interest

None received.

## 40. To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025.

With no matters arising, it was **resolved unanimously** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

## 41. To approve the list of accounts submitted for consideration for June.

With no matters arising, it was **resolved unanimously** to accept the list of accounts. The Accounts Report to be included as an attachment with these minutes.

## 42. To receive bank reconciliation for June.

The Clerk provided the bank reconciliation for information purposes only, to keep Councillors up to date with the financial status. The Bank Reconciliation Reports to be included as an attachment with these minutes.

## 43. To receive notification of any planning permissions, refusals, or amendments.

### a. Application reference S/039/01170/24 - Pinetrees Caravan Park - Approved.

The planning application decision notice was circulated with Councillors prior to the meeting.

#### **44. To receive a report from:**

##### **a. The Chair**

CLlr Coxall queried whether there was an earmarked reserve for elections, which the Clerk confirmed and advised that there will be a Police briefing for Parish Councils via zoom. CLlr Drury offered to attend on behalf of the Parish Council. CLlr Coxall confirmed attending the upcoming LALC Summer Conference and hopes to attend workshops on emergency plans.

CLlr Coxall has forms from Lloyds Bank to be completed to gain access to the Drope Proctor Charity Field bank account. The Parish Council has been receiving the rent from the tenant and paying for the land drainage fees. The Clerk to email the income and expenditure to the Chair.

CLlr Coxall suggested having a Neighbourhood Plan for Croft to give the Parish Council more influence in planning. The Clerk advised that a proposed NP would have to go to a referendum to be approved and there would be costs associated with it, but also having an NP would make it easier to apply for section 106 funding.

##### **b. The Clerk**

The Clerk advised that the external auditors queried the Annual Return form submitted. The confirmed the correct form - form 2, was submitted and sent again with the reply.

#### **45. To receive an update on the installation of a bench in memory of Sid Dennis.**

CLlr C Drury has sent all the details to the manufacturer and requested a contractor to submit a quote for a concrete base. The manufacturer will require a deposit, to be sent to the Clerk to arrange payment.

#### **46. To consider a response to the Grimsby to Walpole Pylon Project consultation.**

The advised attending a recent consultation event and suggested that the project will go ahead regardless of the feedback from the consultation. It's government policy to install overground rather than underground due to the significant costs required to go underground. National Grid staff also suggested that a second line of pylons would be installed after the first line has been completed.

CLlr C Drury advised the pylons will go through an organic farm, which has been established for 22 years, and potentially ruin a successful business.

CLlr Coxall expressed concerns of the views from the wolds and ruining an area of outstanding natural beauty, and national food security.

CLlr Bowser suggested the cables are coming from Scotland undersea and should carry on beyond Lincolnshire on the seabed, to come onshore in either Norfolk or further down towards London.

It was **resolved unanimously** to respond in opposition to the project. The Clerk to respond.

#### **47. To receive a copy of the Action Points list.**

The Clerk provided a copy of the Action Points list to keep Councillors up to date with work on previous resolutions. The Action Points list to be included as an attachment with these minutes.

**The Chair of the Council closed the meeting at 7:53pm.**

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Signed.....

Chair of the Council - Cllr A Coxall

Signed.....

Clerk to the Council and RFO - Jack Sargent

1<sup>st</sup> September 2025