**Public Forum.** There were two members of the public present.

There were no reports from ELDC, LCC and the Neighbourhood Police Team.

**22/02-1 Record of Members Present and Apologies.**

**Present**: Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Hairsine (Chairman), Cllr Mr Lou Fear (Vice-Chairman), Cllr John Stainton, Cllr Rowena Larkin and Cllr Mrs Cheryl Shaw

**Also in attendance**: Mr R Hairsine, Mr R Howard and Mrs N Must (Clerk)

**Apologies accepted**: Cllr Jo Walsh and ELDC Cllr Adam Grist

**22/02-2 To receive any Declarations of Interest on any item on the agenda**. Cllrs R Larkin and J Stainton declared their interests on Agenda Item 22/02-7b.

**22/02-3 Minutes from 3rd November 2021.** It was RESOLVED that the notes of the meeting were accurate and the Chairman signed the minutes.

**22/02-4 Council Matters**

1. **Chairman’s Remarks**. Another round of litter picking is usually scheduled during March. It was resolved that the next event be held on 12th March, 10am and will meet by the War Memorial. The Chairman will leave bags in the bus shelter for those who wish to pick litter at their own convenience. The Chairman will explore the free to borrow litter-picking kits from the library.
2. **Actions from Previous Meeting.** completed and noted.
3. **Haugham noticeboard.** Two quotes were submitted and it was resolved to accept Interskills to repair the noticeboard.
4. **Citizens Advice Lindsey.** The funding request will be re-considered in May.
5. **Communications**. Noted.

**22/02-5** **Finance and Budgets**

1. **Payments**approved for February 2022

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|  | Cheque Number | To | Amount (£) |
| 1 | 226 | Mr R Howard – reimbursement for Remembrance Sunday wreath | 17.00 |
| 2 | 227 | Parish Clerk – salary and expenses | 461.64 |
| 3 | 228 | Miss J Walsh – reimbursement for Slow sign | 7.99 |
| 4 | 229 | TDP Invoice 102282 – bench and picnic table | 1,069.76 |
| 5 | 230 | Mr R Plaskitt – contract work – installing bench and picnic table | 75.00 |
|  |  | **Total** | **£1,631.39** |

1. **Budget Monitoring and Latest Receipts and Payments** – noted
2. **Precept Submission**. The submitted precept form was noted.

**22/02-6 Community Amenities/Issues**

1. **Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**. Cllr R Larkin is coordinating the event. A Bring Your Own Picnic is being organised for Sunday, 5th June at the Churchyard. A marquee used for the Arts Festival will be retained for use at this event. The Council agreed to purchase some buntings and other accessories to decorate the parish.

Cllr L Fear is donating a Silver Birch which can be planted as part of The Queen’s Green Canopy plant a tree project. The Clerk will also check with LCC regarding a free suitable tree for the project.

1. **Highways issues**. Slow signs have been installed along Thacker’s Lane in the interest of road safety. Vehicle speeding along the Haugham road is a concern and it was resolved to request an Archer Survey to be done on this road. The Clerk will contact Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership.
2. **Holly bush pruning**. The Chairman reported that the property owners did not have any objections for any works done to the tree including felling. The Council therefore agreed to have it cut down to help with road visibility. Cllr Fear to organise this at no cost to the Council.
3. **Bench and picnic table**. These arrived on the 25th February and were installed the next day. The Chairman thanked Mr R Hairsine for managing this project. New plaques will be installed and wording considered at the next meeting.
4. **Portable loos**. The Clerk has booked one loo to be installed from 1st April until end October at Wightman Corner. It was agreed that Lincs Loos will send a monthly invoice instead of a weekly demand.

**22/02-7 Planning Matters.**

1. **N/174/02447/21** Garth Bungalow, New Lane, Tathwell. Approval noted.
2. **N/174/02576/21** Hilltop Cottage, Thackers Lane, Tathwell. This application was considered and it was resolved to send a No Objection to ELDC.
3. **Tathwell Mast, Poverty Lane.** The Council noted that the mast is now in place but noted that the fence built is very obtrusive. The Council did not recall any mention of this fence in any of the planning documents. It was resolved to contact ELDC Planning Team to comment on this and request for some mitigation to improve the surrounding area.

**22/02-8 Dates of Next Meetings.** A schedule of meetings for Financial Year 2022/23 have been agreed as detailed below.

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| Date | Time | Venue | Meeting |
| Monday, 16th May 2022 | 7 pm | Tathwell Lodge | Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting of the Council |
| Monday, 1st August 2022 | 7:30pm | St Vedast Church | Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council |
| Monday, 7th November 2022 | 7:30pm | St Vedast Church | Budget Meeting – Parish Council |
| Monday, 6th February 2023 | 7:30pm | St Vedast Church | Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council |

The meeting closed at 8:35pm.