NORTON DISNEY PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 16th November 2016, in the village hall.

Those attending were:

Parish Councillors

Vanessa Hall (Chair)

Mark Fearnley

Terry Johnson

Clive Moles

Pat Gibson, who was introduced to those attending as our new councillor.

Apologies for absence

Police

The Parish Council Clerk

M Salmon

District Councillors

Sue Howe

Pat Woodman MBE

Meeting opened

@7.30pm by Cllr Vanessa Hall

Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2016 were accepted and signed as a true and accurate record.

Matters arising

The subject of 'village sign replacement / renewal was agreed to be put on the next meeting's agenda.

District Councillors' reports

Sue Howe reported that the Leader of NKDC, Cllr Marion Brighton has been awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award after 43.5 years' service.

An extra 22 hours of swimming has been created at North Hykeham Leisure complex following it's refurbishment.

Local attractions/events were mentioned, including RAF Cranwell where visitors can explore it's aviation history until 26.03.17.

Pat Woodman informed the meeting that 'Local Devolution' had floundered due to the vote taken not being unanimous, and that the Local Plan enquiry resumes in December with the report likely early in the New Year.

The Gravel Industry

Peter Smeaton attended the meeting again, on behalf of Cemex, and reported that extraction of minerals from the area originally housing the quarry plant was likely to continue until March 2017.

He also stated that the restoration timescale was, in his opinion, 2 years from the date of cessation of extraction. Although restoration work had been ongoing since Sept, it had been suspended as the machinery was required elsewhere.

In view of local disquiet on issues regarding lorry traffic, road flooding and restoration, it was agreed that a working group be set up with a view to meeting on site in the near future with Peter and a County planning official to thoroughly deal with all outstanding grievances and other relevant matters. As of 1.1.17 this has not taken place, notwithstanding correspondence between the Clerk and Peter over its desirability.

With regard to Breedon, it was learnt that a presentation would be made in the near future (December) in the village hall where future quarrying and restoration plans would be outlined.

Phone Box

A consultation period has commenced with BT through NKDC. A resolution was passed agreeing to adopt the kiosk with possible future uses discussed – exchange library, tourist information, or just leaving it empty.

Planning applications

Norton Disney Parish Church – erection of ramped level access, new stone floor areas, servery and toilet enclosure.

Electronic & Any other Correspondence

8 e-mails of general information were read out, in addition to which 3 requests were made during the period for 'Fly tipping' incidents to be dealt with, and a short Police report made stating that there had been 5 reported crimes in the village area over the period, 3 thefts of cable, a Quadbike stolen and possible damage to the Church notice board.

Financial Report

A comprehensive financial report was read out, comparing actual to budget items.

A grant of £478 was received during the period for IT Equipment, which has been used accordingly. Payment Orders for Clerks salary of £136.71 were made together with Hall Hire of £10.50 and Dog Waste bin of £111.61.

Councillors comments & information

There are some discrepancies in the Tree Preservation Orders relating to trees inside the village curtilage.

5 complaints have been received by councillors regarding noise levels emanating from Breedon Quarry, also mentioned on the same subject was the Army's shooting range @ Beckingham.

Accidents on the road between Norton Disney & Bassingham, excess vegetation impairing vision near the entrance to ND Hall, together with the original footpath across land housing Cemex' plant were mentioned and correspondence to Lincolnshire Highways was requested on these subjects.

Next Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed @ 9.10pm

Signed					
Dated					