

KIRMINGTON & CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Kirmington & Croxton Parish Council on **Tuesday 14th April 2026 at 7:00pm at Hampton by Hilton Hotel Conference Room, Humberside Airport, Grimsby Road, Kirmington, DN39 6YH.**

Present - Cllr S Taylor (Chairperson), Cllr D Wells, Cllr C White, Cllr W Turner, Cllr R Burt, NLC Ward Cllr R Burt and 4 members of the public.

01.04.2026a - To note Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr B Wheeler, Cllr A Winfield, NLC Ward Cllr P Clark.

02.04.2026a - To approve the minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 08.04.2025

The Parish Council considered the previous Annual Parish Meeting minutes held on 08.04.2025.

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed they were a true and accurate record.

03.04.2026a - Chairpersons Report and Wish List

Introduction

My thanks to all the Councillors and especially to Claire, our Clerk, who I would like to thank for all the hard work that they have put in over the year. I am pleased that we continue to keep the Parish Council up to full strength. Welcome to the new Councillors who joined us last year.

Playing Field

The Playing field is still being well used by residents. Thanks to Cllr Trevor Walton for all his efforts and hard work over the past year in maintaining the Playing field to a very high standard. I am aware Trevor is looking to take a less proactive approach; Bruno has agreed to keep up with the playing field maintenance. Trevor has maintained the playing field voluntarily over the last 15 years.

We recently signed a 15-year lease at favorable set rates.

It is my aim, and the vice chairs aim to develop the play equipment.

With this in mind we are looking to raise around £100,000 in grants and donations in order to achieve this.

Although we would like this to be achieved in this year, in reality it may take longer.

We now have an under 11 football team for mainly boys. It is our aim as a council to develop this concept to include girl's teams and older children. Portable goals have been provided by the Parish Council for local children to use.

The new football club are looking to site a container in the car park area for equipment and mowers, I would support this aim.

We are also looking at developing an area for residents to cultivate and sit to enjoy family picnics etc.

Much of the coming year will centre around the playing field area following clarity on the lease.

Airport

It was agreed in council we would have no objections to removal of the sound monitoring equipment. There have been no complaints to the airport or this council regarding aircraft noise. We will make representation to the airport should this change.

Singleton and Birch

We have the ongoing problem with dust both on the roads and cars. The company feels the installation of conveyor belts will help this situation. We will monitor this.

As a council and villages, we feel this company should help with the amenities within the villages. With this in mind the vice chair and myself will be approaching them for a large donation to the play equipment fund

Village Pub - Marrowbone & Cleaver

The village pub is being well used. The parking situation has improved and continues to be monitored.

Church Light up at Christmas and Service

The Church lit up again over the Christmas to New Year Period after the switching on of the lights there was a Service at the Church which was well attended.

New Housing

At present there are no plans for new housing in the village.

The Post office lane/East end site is still undeveloped. We hope this will develop in the near future.

The parish boundaries will be protected at all times.

Bowls Club

This is now a dog swimming and training facility. It seems to be well used. Myself and fellow Councillor's are happy to see this village resource back in use.

166 Squadron Memorial Service

The RAF 166 Squadron Memorial Service is an annual event. The Chairman will attend and lay a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

Remembrance Day

A service was held at the War Memorial on the Saturday of the Remembrance Weekend and was well attended by members of the Public. Members of the Armed Forces attended this year including the Deputy Commander Royal Navy; Northern Division, the Immingham Sea Cadets, for the first time the air cadets attended. It is my intention to bring the Army cadets in. This would give representation of all 3 forces. the Deputy Lord Lieutenant and our MP Martin Vickers, and the leader of North Lincs council Rob Waltham also laid wreaths. A large number of wreaths were laid by others, and a march to the High street occurred. The Reverend Lee and Anita Green Officiated. This year the Buffet was held in the church, this was deemed a success and will be continued to next year

166 Squadron Commemorative Stone

In the Afternoon of the Remembrance Day Saturday the 166 Squadron

Commemorative Stone at the Airport, a Drum Head Altar was built by members of 866 Squadron Air Cadets and a service took place to remember the 944 who lost their lives while serving with 166 Squadron at RAF Kirmington; wreaths were laid, the services was well attend by members of Remembering 166 Squadron Group

Brocklesby Church

Later that day a wreath was laid at the Altar of the Church by the Ships Office of HMS Brocklesby. 3 members of crew also attended.

Road Safety

We now have the speed sign up and running, this should help reduce speeds on Limber Road, it would be hoped a further flashing sign could be obtain for the High Street end of the village. The A18 speed limit reduction request is still ongoing and the Ward Councillors keep pushing NLC to action.

There had been a number of vehicles damaged from hitting the Pot holes along the edge of the C137,

The potholes have now been filled.

The bends in Croxton have recently been resurfaced by North Lincs council. Agreement has been reached to install new signage warning for lorries turning on to the A18 from Croxton Road. .

Grass Cutting

The grass cutting taken over from North Lincolnshire Council is continuing to work well, getting up to nine cuts per year

We are now taking over the footpath weed spraying and will be looking at financing this from our budget.

Year/2026/2027

The Parish Council will continue to support the Villages within the Governments guidelines and Road Map

The main projects for the new financial year will be: -

- Continue with the grass cutting around the Villages
- The maintenance of the Playing Field
- Replace playing field equipment

- Develop sports and football facilities
- Sustainable floral displays to be planted at agreed location
- Maintenance the Church Clock and the grass cutting of the Churches grounds
- Arrange the Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial and the 166 Squadron Memorial Stone at the Airport

Wish List

- Have the Commemorative Stone at the Airport put on a raised Plinth with a flagpole behind it
- Next year hold a fund raising summer event.
- Develop and encourage children and adults to use the playing field.

Steve Taylor
Chairman

04.04.2026a - Public Participation

4 members of the public expressed their concerns over the increase to the precept for the Parish Council element compared to other local villages. In particular the administrative costs, deposits for grant funding and the location of the Parish Council meetings. It was suggested the Parish Council should consider holding meetings at Kirmington Church as it is classed as a community centre. The Chairman explained the Parish Council had met their previously and it was not suitable due to the lay out and access issues. The Chairman explained each Parish Council sets their own budgets and cannot be compared to another as they are all individual and have different aims and ambitions. The Chairman advised the budget setting process is in November of each year and their points will be taken into consideration for subsequent year's. They were also invited to attend the Parish Council meetings.

Meeting closed at 19:55hours.