

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2nd March 2016

PRESENT: Councillors: A Marshall (Chair), J Cooper,
W Carroll, F Kishor, S Bolton
District Councillor: A Parry
Clerk: P Routly
and 6 members of the public

1. Public participation

Mrs Sue Philpot raised the issue of an additional window installed on the new house being built next to Pineroft. She explained it overlooked their property and was not on the plans. Cllr Marshall asked if it had been reported to SDC enforcement. She explained it had. The Council also resolved to report to enforcement. *Clerk to write*

Mr Roger Wright asked about the flood prevention measures at Crabtree allotments entrance. Cllr Bolton explained this would be covered in the agenda item 5c.

2. Declaration of Interests

None.

3. Apologies for absence

Cllr Pate due to illness. Cllr Kendall due to attendance at East Area Planning Committee.

4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 6^h January 2016.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6th January were proposed for approval by Cllr Cooper; this was seconded by Cllr Bolton and carried unanimously as a true record of proceedings.

5. Matters arising

a. **Bus stops at Newbold Pacey – StageCoach response Clerk**

The Clerk had pre-circulated a letter from the Managing Director of Stagecoach, Steve Bird. The letter stated that the reason Stagecoach could not support the installation of new bus stops, is that they had concluded the route was not financially viable and would be withdrawing in May. Cllrs expressed their disappointment and resolved to write to WCC, and Stagecoach to ask to reconsider (and possibly subsidise) in light of the crematorium access and new building at Wellesbourne . In addition it was the only way elderly residents could get for Newbold Pacey to Ashorne for doctors, shopping etc. *Clerk to write.*

b. **Playing Field Update- response from allotment holders – All / Clerk**

The clerk explained she had written to all allotments holders to ask whether they would be prepared to give up their allotment or move to make space in a flat area for a play area. So far the responses are:- 1 gave notice (not because of this), 2 no reply and 4 did not want to move.

The council discussed alternative including again the Village Garden, it was resolved to contact and meet with Playscapes of Southam to get advice on the location options . *Clerk to arrange.*

c. Flooding works update – start date- Cllr Bolton/ Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting that the contractor RS Plant hire had confirmed works would be conducted on 11th -12th March and she would be writing to all those who required access. *Clerk to write.*

d. Lengthmanship scheme update and contact – Cllr Marshall/ Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting details of the scheme had been received from WWPC , and only covered highways works . It was resolved to write to see if this could be extended to footpaths. A council rep was also required to co-ordinate works with WWPC, Cllr Marshall volunteered, all Cllrs ratified. *Clerk to write.*

e. Church funding campaign update – Cllr Kishor

Cllr Kishor confirmed she had still not heard from the PCC, but would make contact. The possibility of combining the launch of fundraising with the Queens 90th church service was discussed.

f. Financial Regulations approval – Clerk

The clerk had pre-circulated prior to the previous meeting. Cllr Bolton proposed acceptance, Cllr Carroll seconded and they were accepted unanimously.

g. Cricket Ground bridge works – Cllr Bolton/ Clerk

Cllr Bolton explained that a grant from WCC had been received and a donation from Mr Darling, a donation was awaited from Mr Little. The Clerk informed the meeting she had contacted the Environment Agency for permission to undertake the works, they had confirmed WCC was the approval authority. The Clerk had contacted them, but had no response. It was resolved for the Clerk to chase WCC again. Once permission had been granted, Cllr Bolton would start to make arrangements. *Clerk to write.*

h. Replacement Jubilee Tree – Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting she had obtained a number of hornbeam quotes at various sizes, she had also been asked to seek a very large tree by Cllr Bolton, to ensure it would not get damaged again. Unfortunately a 6m tree weighs 250kg and required a fork lift and digger to plant. After discussion all Cllrs thought this was too large, the Clerk was asked to seek a more reasonable size and price and to order. *Clerk to order.*

i. Superfast Broadband / WALC– All / Clerk

The Clerk informed the meeting she had an update from David darling and Dean Wood. So far only 37 out of approx. 100 households had registered despite letters. Ashorne is on wave 2 of CSW Superfast roll out but that might mean waiting until 2019. The Clerk stated she had also raised the issue with WALC , but they could do nothing to help. Cllr Bolton informed the meeting that a CSW rep was speaking at the WALC annual meeting and he would raise the subject.

6. New Agenda items (arising from requests and correspondence)

a. Queens 90th Birthday – Cllr Marshall/ Cllr Bolton

Mrs Mary Cobb had come along to explain a few villagers and the pub landlord had formed a small committee to arrange a street party on 12th June.

The day would consist:-

am Church Service at Newbold Pacey
3.00pm Street Party [or if wet tea in Village Hall and pub]
5.00pm Games on cricket field [if wet alternative games in Village Hall]
7.00pm - midnight Entertainment and hot food in pub

The clerk confirmed the PC insurance would cover the event as long as no inflatables were used, and as long as a risk assessment was conducted. The clerk agreed to provide a template. Mrs Cobb also asked for a donation of £200 to part fund the entertainment. This was proposed by Cllr Marshall, seconded by Cllr Bolton and carried unanimously.

b. Clean for the Queen – Cllr Carroll

The clerk informed the meeting she had obtained litter pickers from SDC . Cllr Carroll said he would like to defer until the week before the street party, and advertise for help in the hut news. *Cllr Carroll to make arrangement.*

The subject of damage around the green was raised, this is to be added to the next agenda.

c. Reminder on Election of Chairman at AGM – Cllr Marshall

Cllr Marshall reminded his fellow Cllrs that his agreement to chair the council ends at the next meeting.

d. Wellesbourne Medical centre update – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry updated the meeting (refer to her report in section 9)

7. Planning

a. Applications to consider

16/00512/VARY Variation of condition 2 (no overnight stays) of 15/03363/FUL for the retrospective change of use from agricultural forestry land to an amenity wood with the retention of existing buildings to allow overnight stays for a maximum of 12 nights per year. Bromson Hill Spinney, Ashorne, ,

After discussion over concerns this variation would be a further step towards residential use, a vote was held. The outcome was 3:2 in favour of accepting the variation. *Clerk to respond with no objections.*

b. Decision of Committee

16/00185/HRN- Removal of 1no. section of hedgerow, 70metres in length at Barn Farm, Ashorne Road, Ashorne. O.S. grid ref. of hedgerow SP 3104 5740.Barn Farm Ashorne Warwick CV35 9DU . **Comments sent.**

c. District Decisions for information

15/00248/FUL Proposed extensions to existing dwelling comprising new porch, boot room, extended garage to form car port, open canopy along single storey span to rear and new orangery. Conversion of existing attached outbuildings to form ancillary accommodation. Change of use of land to facilitate repositioning of access drive together with creation of

hardstanding and turning circle to south side of dwelling. Greenlands Ashorne Warwick CV35 9AB. **Permission with conditions.**

8. Finance

a. Approval of payments

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Bolton, seconded by Cllr Carroll and approved unanimously.

1.	Village Hut printing (jan)	£45.00(paid)
2.	Metrosigns (Footpath signs)	£499.80
3.	P Routly - Salary (Jan/Feb)	£396.00
4.	P Routly – Expenses (Jan/Feb)	£94.58
5.	PATA payroll services	£17.50
6.	RS Plant Hire	£2832.00
7.	WALC Annual briefing day	£25.00

b. Receipts

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1.	Allotment field rent – Mr Perkins	£350.00
2.	Allotment Rent – G Such	£9.00
3.	Allotment Rent – M Lavercombe	£18.00
4.	Allotment rent – Handsley	£27.00
5.	Allotment rent – Woodfin	£18.00
6.	Allotment rent – Freeman	£18.00
7.	WCC grant bridge repairs	£800.00
8.	D Darling donation bridge repairs	£800.00
9.	W Little donation bridge repairs	£800.00

9. District Councillor's report

Cllr Parry pre- filed the following report:-

Core Strategy

Awaiting the report from Examination in Public hearings from the Planning Inspector, Pete Drew into the District Council's Core Strategy – it is hoped this will be received before Easter or shortly afterwards. The next stage – subject to the Inspector's report, will hopefully be for a six weeks' consultation period to take place on a revised document which includes any amendments suggested. This means that following the consultation period, the Core Strategy could become adopted by the end of July 2016.

Wellesbourne & Kineton Community Forum

To be held at Compton Verney on Thursday 10th March – regrettably I am away on annual leave so my Vice Chair Stephen Bolton from Newbold Pacey and Ashorne Parish Council is kindly standing in for me as chair. The SWCCG has indicated they will be sending a representative to speak about proposed funding for the new medical centre – further details awaited from Amanda Wilson-Patterson.

Medical Centre

Continuing to keep in close contact with Hastings House. From a positive perspective it appears that SWCCG has accepted the business case for a new medical centre, however the practice is awaiting confirmation of the contribution funding cap which is to be applied and is likely to necessitate an amendment to the plans/construction specification/phasing schedule/other revenue opportunities etc. We will be getting a new medical centre, but perhaps not on the grand scale initially that was originally proposed. Can I extend my thanks to the Parish Council for all their campaigning efforts and everyone who signed up to the online petition and wrote letters of support ... the messages were heard in the right quarters.

Council Tax

SDC is proposing to increase its element of the Council Tax by 3.9% for 2016 – 2017, which equates to an extra £4.99 per annum lifting the annual D Band payment from £128.05 to £133.04. This is to be ratified at Full Council on 29th February and represents an increase of less than 10p per week to prevent vital services from being cut. The Council Tax has remained frozen for the last few years, helped by the Government's grant payment to councils which froze council tax, however this grant has now been withdrawn.

10. County Councillor's report

Cllr Kendall was not present.

11. Correspondence

The clerk had circulated the following correspondence by email prior to meeting.

- a) Thank You letter from Citizen Advice and Village hut for grants
- b) Jaguar Land Rover rat running signs
- c) WALC Annual briefing

12. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items

None.

13. Any Other Business allowed by Chairman as Urgent

Cllr Bolton asked about updating the emergency plan , it was agreed the Clerk would send the current version to Cllr Cooper.

14. Date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting and AGM would be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 11th March 2016. (One week later than normal due to holidays)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm