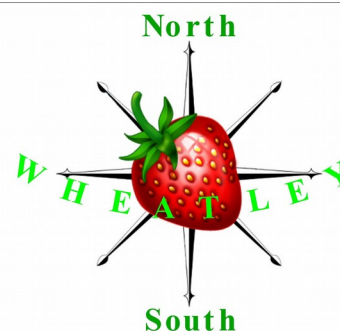


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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14th June 2016 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs C Keyworth (Chair), M Bennett, M Burton, J Goacher, C Wright, G Matthews, D Cooke, R Naish, M Newby & Clerk D Langmead.

Residents: No residents were present.

Guests: Alan Guest. PCSO Dave Airey.

PUBLIC FORUM

No issues were raised.

PLANNING MEETING

Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality – None

Applications

Erect Single Storey Side Extension. The Loose Box Sturton Road South Wheatley Nottinghamshire DN22 9DL. Ref. No: 16/00638/HSE | Received: Thu 05 May 2016 | Validated: Thu 05 May 2016 | Status: Pending Consideration.

No Objections or Comments from Council

Reduce Tree Height by 25% and Prune (T1 and T2) Cedars Atlantica. Reduce Crown by 30% (T3) Yew Tagus Baccata and Fell and Replant with Fruit Tree (T4) Cedars Atlantica. Plum Tree Farm Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DS. Ref. No: 16/00633/CAT | Received: Wed 04 May 2016 | Validated: Fri 13 May 2016 | Status: Pending Consideration. **No Objections or Comments from Council.**

16/00189/FUL – Cllr Keyworth confirmed that following a meeting with Bassetlaw DC the application was withdrawn from the Planning Committee Meeting on the 8th June in order to re-assess the application in relation to the Sturton Ward Neighbourhood Plan. Council welcomed the news and the clear indication that the Neighbourhood Plan is being considered seriously side by side with the BDC Core Strategy and National Planning Policy Framework.

Decisions

16/00352/COND | Application to Discharge Conditions 1-16 Inclusive of P/A 13/020416/LBD - Demolition of Modern Agricultural Buildings and Conversion of Barn to Dwelling | Cherry Tree Cottage Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DS.

Application Determined

Sturton Ward Neighbourhood Plan – Housing Development Plans in the Village

Council unanimously approved a motion to discuss this agenda item in camera by reason of the confidential nature of the business which would be prejudicial to the public interest. The matter was discussed after the guests had left the meeting.

Further information and the Plan itself can be found at www.sturtonwardnp.org.uk.

Other Planning Issues

Pennystone

Council noted that the Enforcement Officer at BDC is still working on the complaint and that an answer should be available by the July Meeting. **Action Clerk to follow up**

Daily Working Times on Developments

The Clerk reported that he has discussed the issue with Bassetlaw Planning Dept. who confirmed that it is almost impossible to 'police' working times and noise from building sites. They suggest that this is handled locally by discussion with the developers.

Destruction of Verges during Development

The Clerk confirmed that he has spoken with both Bassetlaw Planning Dept. and Notts CC Highways and again it was suggested that this is handled locally. Notts CC are unable to apply conditions to the application where the verges are not an integral part of the application. Council noted that a suitable letter to developers from the District Councillor has now been drafted and would be passed to the developers of new builds requesting appreciation for the environmental issues associated with building work.

Business Premises.

Council noted an enquiry from a resident concerning the use of Business Premises and agreed to investigate the report.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

06.16.01. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Willcox which were accepted by Council.

06.16.02. Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality

None declared at this stage.

06.16.03. Report from the Chair – Agenda Issues

The Chair requested and Council agreed to the following additions to agenda item 14 – Village Hall. 14c) Sealing of Transfer Deed; and 14d) Update on Village Hall Extension.

06.16.04. Police Report / Community Speedwatch.

Police Report.

PCSO Dave Airey reported to Council that there were five crimes reported during the month in the village. A burglary from a property in Middlefield Road; two thefts from motor vehicles on Low Street; A burglary from property on Low Street; and a theft of garden furniture from property on Sturton Road. So far this year, from 01/04/2016, there have been 21 crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with eleven reported in the same

period last year. As such, although early in the tracking year, these figures equate to an increase in crime in that period of ten crimes.

Regular readers of the monthly Police report , and the local Retford Times newspaper, will be aware that reported crimes this month have followed a similar trend as to last month – that is, that the majority of the crimes reported have taken place in a one week, or so, period of the month.

Dave's full report can be seen on the website and in the forthcoming Clays Contact. A few 'highlights' from his report are shown below:

"It would appear that farmers' troughs are becoming increasingly attractive to criminals and it is believed that their final destination is to be used as decorative planters. Dave emphasises that ALL crime needs to be reported through to our control room on 101, or 999 in an emergency. I would like to think that since the introduction of the PCSO role, residents have been encouraged more to report crime than in the years prior".

"This month there have been eight reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with six reported incidents for April 2016 and six reported for the same month in 2015. The anti-social behaviour umbrella covers a wide range of incident types including hoax calls to the emergency services, found/ abandoned vehicles and wildlife/ animal issues. Very few of the anti-social behaviour incidents this month, and in previous months, are youth related".

Dave asks that residents please continue to report all suspicious persons, vehicles and activity to the control room on 101. Where a crime is in progress, or has just occurred, please continue to use the 999 number. Calls of this nature do make a difference in helping to drive crime figures lower.

Confirmation of the Police contact numbers are as follows: - Notts Police – 101. Urgent – 999. Mobile numbers for non urgent matters: PCSO Dave Airey – 07525 226838; PC Bill Bailey 07910 336844

Community Speedwatch (CS)

Alan Guest reported that the Speedwatch Team have continued to operate twice a week subject to holidays. During the month the team has noted more speeding vehicles and higher speeds. Having reported a building company working in a neighbouring village to the Traffic Calming Group, it is good to see that the company concerned has spoken to all their contractors and employees to stick to the speed limits on their journeys to and from work.

Neighbourhood and Home Watch

Alan Guest reported on the latest meeting of the Neighbourhood and Home Watch (NHW) co-ordinators who were analysing the responses from the leaflet distribution. Alan also reported on a Notts CC initiative to help combat doorstep telephone and online fraud called 'Action Fraud'. The leaflet introducing the initiative has been passed to all co-ordinators and it is proposed to have an open meeting in October to introduce the initiative to the general public. Alan's group will be meeting again on 31st August and it is proposed to produce a further leaflet introducing Action Fraud to be distributed in September advertising the open meeting in October. Council thanked Alan and his team for their continuing efforts on behalf of residents and approved the additional expenditure which is likely to be similar to the last leaflet production.

Action Alan Guest

06.16.05. District and County Councillor Reports

06.16.05.1. District and County Councillor's Report(s).

Cllr John Ogle reported on three issues. He emphasised the main points on the Sheffield Devolution Deal where clarification is still required particularly in respect of highways funding and highways management. He asked that as many people as possible sign the petition for a referendum on the Sheffield Devolution Deal. He also commented that if the Sheffield deal does not proceed the two alternatives are continuing with the status quo or a possible Unitary Authority. Secondly John commented on the plans to 'rethink' the proposed new Refuse Site entry system. Finally he mentioned that the financial position of Bassetlaw Hospital may be worse than first thought.

06.16.06. The Lengthsman Scheme

The work completed by the Lengthsman in April was noted, including the strimming of the grass verge/bank into the Glebe from Middlefield Road, following which the invoice was approved by Council.

06.16.07. Finance

06.16.07.1. Bank Reconciliation. The bank reconciliation to the 19th May 2016 was approved by Council.

06.16.07.2. Accounts for Payment. The following payments were approved. **Action Clerk**

D Langmead – Salary and Expenses	£	352.11
Holmes Groundcare – Playing Field Cuts x 4	£	193.20
G Pressley – South Wheatley Garden Tubs	£	13.96
S Rockcliffe – Website Work	£	16.00
E.On – Monthly Direct Debit	£	21.00
I Wilkinson – Lengthsman Scheme Work, April	£	205.15
NALC – LCR Annual Subscription	£	17.00
David J Foreman – Defibrillator Cabinet Installation	£	76.00
S Blackburn – Leak repair to Playing Field plumbing	£	69.00

06.16.07.3. Annual Return.

Council noted the Annual Return has been finalised and returned to the External Auditor along with all the requested documentation. Council noted that the annual return has been advertised in accordance with the regulations. The Transparency Code regulations documentations is required to be completed by the 1st July. **Action Clerk.**

06.16.8. Minutes of the PC Meeting held on 10th May 2016.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed off by the Chair as a true record of the proceedings.

06.16.9. Matters Arising from the Minutes (non agenda items)

05.16.05.1. Council noted that due to a clash of commitments Simon Greaves, BDC's Council leader is not able to attend either the June or July Parish council meetings.

06.16.10. NALC / Parish Council Forum / Rural Conference

Council noted that Cllrs Keyworth and Matthews attended the Parish Council Forum which was dominated by a presentation from the leader of BDC on the Sheffield Devolution deal along with a lively Q&A.

06.16.11. Correspondence / Reading Bag

Council noted that a letter has been sent by the Parish Council to Cllr Goacher thanking her for her Chairmanship of the Council over the last 9 years. Cllr Goacher thanked Members for their kind thoughts.

06.16.12. Playing Field / Pavilion / Community Garden

06.16.12.1. Playing Field – Footpath Extension

Following a site visit Council agreed to extend the footpath from the footbridge adjacent to the play park to meet up with the village hall car park. Cllr Bennett agreed to provide an initial specification of the work required which will then be sent out to a number of contractors to quote for the work. Cllr Bennett also agreed to meet the contractors on site to assist with the more detailed specification ahead of the preparations of the quotations.

06.16.12.2. Playing Field – Rubbish Accumulation.

Council noted that there has recently been an increase in the amount of rubbish being left on the playing field, particularly around the play park. It was agreed to place a note in the Contact and website requesting all residents to please take their rubbish home or place it in the bins provided.

06.16.13. Highways / Footpaths / Water Course / Public Safety

06.16.13.1. Low Street Gullies and Drain Clearance.

Nothing further to report this month as the cleaning out of the drains by Severn Trent Water is still awaited. Cllr Keyworth reported that he has spoken with Ian Davies and that the issue will be looked at shortly now that he has returned from holiday. **Action Cllr Keyworth to follow up.**

06.16.13.2. Street Lights Out

Council noted the following faulty lights: - No. 13 on Top Street. **Action Clerk to report.**

06.16.13.3. Moving Speed Limit Signs.

The Clerk reported that Highways Strategy Team has now received the appropriate information from the original outside agency, and that estimates for the work are now being prepared.

Action Clerk to follow up.

06.16.13.4. Dangerous Bend – Eastfield / Church Street Junction

Following a recent accident and a number of near misses, Council agreed that this blind bend is dangerous. Following discussion Council agreed to erect two signs to advise drivers of the dangerous bend ahead and to drive with caution. The signs to read "Dangerous Bend, Dead Slow". **Action Clerk for mock up and quotation.**

06.16.13.5. Caravan on Top Pasture Lane

Council agreed to write to the owner requesting that the caravan is removed. **Action Clerk.**

06.16.13.6. Flooding on A620

Council noted that following the recent heavy rain a large puddle has formed on the south side of the 'bypass' just before the lay-by. **Action Clerk to report.**

06.16.14. Village Hall Update.

06.16.14.1. Village Hall CCTV System

Nothing further to report this month.

06.16.14.2. Defibrillator

The Clerk reported that the Defibrillator has been commissioned and the insurance company advised. Cllr Wright reported that she now has a list of 18 organisations who use the hall and that they are to be invited to forward their contact details so that they can be invited to future training sessions. Council agreed to two training dates, one in August and a later one in September. Cllr Matthews agreed to contact the First Responder in North Leverton who has agreed to deliver the training for dates and numbers for each training session, and to forward the information to the Clerk for a media release to include the July Contact **Action Cllr Matthews and Clerk.**

06.16.14.3. Village Hall Car Park Transfer Deed.

The Clerk reported that the Transfer Deed has been sealed and is now ready to be forwarded to the Land Registry to register the change in title. **Action Clerk.**

06.16.14.4. Village Hall Kitchen Extension Update

Cllr Keyworth reported on an update received from the Village Hall management Committee. Council noted that unfortunately the application to Veolia in February for funding for phase 1 of the extension building work has not been successful. It is understood that competition for these grants is fierce, especially from projects in less affluent areas and nationally only 24% are successful. The application to WREN for phase 2 (kitchen refit etc.) was dependant on phase 1 being funded and this grant application has now been deferred.

06.16.14.5. Waikiki Beach Party

Cllr Wright reported that the annual beach party will be taking place on the 19th July and the organising team are looking for help with manning the bouncy castle and with cleaning up the sand after the event (bring your spade!)

06.16.15. Village Website.

Nothing to report.

06.16.16. Appointment of New Clerk.

The Clerk reported that there are two applicants for the job and that interviews will be taking place on Thursday 16th June. There are 4 on the selection panel – Malcolm Ferguson (North Leverton), Karen Howard (Sturton), Don Willcox (Wheatley) and the Clerk.

06.16.17. Plaster Pits / Allotments

Cllr Naish reported that the grass is growing well on the vacant allotment plots and that it will soon need a cut and/or sheep to graze it down. It was agreed to ask The Lengthsman to cut the plots in the interim. **Action Cllr Keyworth.**

06.16.18. Representatives' Reports.

Nothing to report this month.

06.16.19. Date of Next Meeting.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on –
Wednesday 6th July 2016 starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

Proposed meeting dates for 2016 are as follows: 7/9; 5/10; 8/11; and 7/12.

Dave Langmead – Clerk, tel. 884756

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting

Distribution list: All Parish Councillors, CCllr J Ogle, DCllr H Burton, Website, Clays Contact, Alan Guest – Community Speedwatch, PC Bill Bailey, PCSO Dave Airey, Notice boards

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