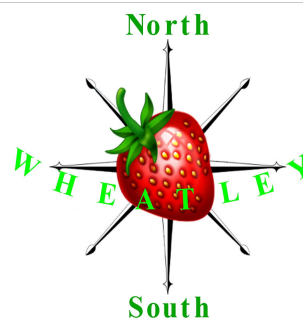


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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 18th January 2017 in the Village Hall.

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

Residents: None.

Guests: PCSO Dave Airey; Cllr John Ogle; Alan Guest

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public present

PLANNING MEETING

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Naish and Matthews which were accepted by Council. Cllr Keyworth passed on the good news that Hugh Burton is getting much better and hopes to be at the February PC meeting

Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality – None declared at this stage

The Chairman asked Council if they would allow a late addition to the Planning meeting – a new application having been notified to the Clerk on the morning of the PC meeting. Council unanimously agreed

Applications

[Proposed Prune Back of One Willow Tree \(T1\) to Allow for Regrowth](#) Whitegates Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DS Ref. No: 17/00028/CAT | Received: Mon 09 Jan 2017 | Validated: Mon 09 Jan 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

Council unanimously support this application – **Action Clerk**

[Porch to Front of House, Demolition of Existing Workshop and Conversion of Carport to Garage \(Resubmission of P.A. 16/01127/HSE\)](#) Rooftops Church Hill North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DG Ref. No: 16/01759/RSB | Received: Thu 15 Dec 2016 | Validated: Wed 28 Dec 2016 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

NB: There is also a separate non-material application as part of this

Council unanimously support this application – **Action Clerk**

[Reconstruct the Column of the North Aisle Colonnade Using Existing and New Stone. Mount a Memorial Plaque on a Face of a Piece of New Stone used in the Column Shaft](#) Remains Of St Helens Church Sturton Road South Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 17/00054/FUL | Received: Fri 13 Jan 2017 | Validated: Tue 17 Jan 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

Council unanimously support this application – **Action Clerk**

Old Applications awaiting decisions

[Two Storey Rear Extension](#) Forge Cottage Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DS Ref. No: 16/01668/HSE | Received: Mon 28 Nov 2016 | Validated: Wed 30 Nov 2016 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

Discharge of conditions

[Discharge of Condition 3 and 6 of P/A 16/00189/FUL - Erect Three Two Storey Detached Dwellings with Detached Garages](#) Land Adj Narnia Eastfield North Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No:16/01537/COND Received: Thu 27 Oct 2016 | Validated: Thu 27 Oct 2016 | **Status: Awaiting decision**

[Discharge of Conditions 3, 4, 7, 14, 18, and 19 on P/A 14/01013/FUL - Retrospective Application For The Conversion of Existing Barns to 4 No Dwelling & Associated Curtilages, Conversion of Outbuildings to form Extension to Existing Cottage, And Erect Garage Block. New Access from the Highway, Demolition of 2 No. Agricultural Structures & Removal of Roof & Supporting Structure to Covered Yard and Erection of Boundary Treatment Barns At Bolefields Farm Gainsborough Road North Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No:16/01381/COND](#) Received: Thu 06 Oct 2016 | Validated: Fri 07 Oct 2016 | **Status: Determined**

Decisions

[Outline Application to Erect One Dwelling](#) Land North Of Orchard Lodge Sturton Road South Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DL Ref. No: 16/01535/OUT | Received: Fri 04 Nov 2016 | Validated: Fri 04 Nov 2016 | Status: **Refused**

Council expressed surprise at this decision which was made on the basis that the property was outside the village boundary, which also applies to the application below, which was passed at committee.

[16/01411/FUL | Proposed Two Houses with Double Garages off a Private Drive | Narnia And Land Eastfield North Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 16/01411/FUL](#) | Received: Thu 13 Oct 2016 | Validated: Mon 17 Oct 2016 | **Status: Passed at Committee**

Council thanked the Clerk for her contribution on behalf of the PC at the committee meeting

[Change of Use from Part Agricultural, Part Office to Residential Use to Form 1 Four Bedroom Dwelling, 1 Three Bedroom Dwelling and 1 Two Bedroom Dwelling with the Existing Post Office to Remain in Use](#) Post Office And Stores Sturton Road South Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DH Ref. No: 16/01514/COU | Received: Mon 24 Oct 2016 | Validated: Mon 24 Oct 2016 | **Status: Withdrawn**

Council understands that this application has been temporarily withdrawn whilst changes are made to take into consideration listed building concerns.

Sturton Ward Neighbourhood Plan – Monitoring Group

Following several planning decisions in both Sturton and Wheatley Parishes where applications have been supported by BDC in contravention of the Sturton Ward Neighbourhood Plan- notably the recent committee meeting on 2, 4 bed detached houses at Narnia in Wheatley – a number of the current Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Group are feeling very demoralised and want to dissolve the group. However, councillors recognise that there is more in the Neighbourhood Plan than just new build homes and that with a new Bassetlaw Plan emerging there may be a need to alter the existing plan in line with it. Council would want BDC to answer the following questions: -

- What criteria are being used for planning decisions now?
- What are the deficiencies in the current Sturton Ward Neighbourhood Plan?
- If the plan needs to change what process will be needed to do this?

Wheatley Parish Council considered that a Monitoring Group should continue to review the impact of the Sturton Ward Plan or possibly amend it to give it more teeth / make it more prescriptive in line with the new BDC Local Plan - which is due to be adopted in 2019. It was agreed that Wheatley PC should be part of a 4-council group – open to all councillors - which would report to BDC the strength of feeling around the amount of community involvement, time and money put into the development of the Neighbourhood Plan – largely steered by BDC itself

Action Clerk to inform the other Parish Councils of this and facilitate a meeting to reform the group with a new point of reference.

The Bassetlaw Local Plan

A training session will be hosted by the Neighbourhood Planning Team from BDC on Monday 20th February from 6.30 -9.30 pm on the neighbourhood planning process and how this will work with the emerging Bassetlaw Plan **Action Clerk and any other councillors who wish to attend**

Other Planning Issues

A large, static, mobile home and a small caravan, along with three other vehicles, are parked in a field adjoining the green lane at the end of Top Pasture Lane. A family with children appears to be living there. There is no water and the vehicles are making a mess of the lane and adjacent field **Action Clerk to inform BDC Planning department of the infringement**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

01.17.01. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Naish and Matthews which were accepted by Council.

01.17.02. Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality

None declared at this stage.

01.17.03. Report from the Chair – Agenda Issues

Cllr Keyworth asked that 2 invoices (received that evening) from North & South Wheatley Village Hall be added at 8.2 – accounts for payment.

01.17.04. Police Report.

Police Report.

PCSO Dave Airey reported to Council that there were no crimes reported in the Parish during December. Cllr Keyworth observed he was pleased to see that rural crime was being addressed – operation Bi Focal for example tackling quad bike damage in the countryside.

There has been a spike in crime on the beat area in the last month with an increase in burglary of dwelling crimes reported across East Bassetlaw over a two-day period in December, around the 28th and 29th of that month. A Nottinghamshire Police Alert was sent out, to those registered on the system, to advise local parishes of these happenings.

Following the Christmas period and, in some cases, visits to January sales, residents should be careful in how they dispose of packaging to avoid advertising new purchases to criminals.

Vehicles are still being left insecure overnight and, in a lot of cases, items, which are attractive to criminals, are being left inside on full view to the same.

Dave's full report can be seen on-line and in the next edition of the Clays Contact magazine.

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
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01.17.05. Community Speedwatch / Traffic Calming / Neighbourhood and Home Watch Reports.

Community Speedwatch (CS)

Alan Guest informed council that the Speedwatch group would be starting up in Mid-February and would be at full strength by early March

Neighbourhood and Home Watch

A meeting has been arranged for Monday 27th March at 7.30pm for everyone in the Clays area. There will be a visitor from the Rural Communities Network talking about rural fraud and energy saving and there will be representatives from Crime Stoppers and Notts Watch etc.

01.17.06. District and County Councillor Reports

01.17.06.1. Broadband

CCllr Ogle raised the problem of poor Broadband speeds and intermittent service in rural areas despite the roll out of Fibre Broadband. This is almost certainly down to issues with the copper wire that runs from the Green Fibre cabinets to homes. It would be very expensive to install Superfast cabling to individual houses, although this may be rolled out in cities in the future.

BT are supposedly improving the infrastructure so that rural areas can receive superfast Broadband. The higher the uptake of Broadband the more investment BT will make to fill in the gaps – this is called ‘Gain Share’. The gaps will include small settlements where the number of homes has not justified the installation of a Fibre cabinet. By mid-February the Notts. CC web site will identify these clusters of houses without Broadband, with some indication of when they may get it. Cllr Ogle would like to hear from any residents with Broadband problems and they can e-mail him direct at cllr.john.ogle@nottscc.gov.uk **Action Clerk to add this request for Broadband feedback to the Website**

Alan Guest kindly offered to help any residents who think they have a problem but do not know how to check their Broadband speeds

Since the topic has now been discussed the offer of a visit from Steven Adams – BB Engagement Officer at Notts CC will be declined. However if any residents wish to send their issues to him his e-mail address is enquiries.broadband@nottscc.gov.uk

01.17.06.2 Devolution and constituency boundaries

CCllr Ogle informed Council that the results of the judicial review of Devolution in Derbyshire has ruled that the decision to join Sheffield City Region was illegal because the residents of Chesterfield were not asked if they wanted to join. Cllr Ogle confirmed that, in his opinion, it was looking very unlikely that Bassetlaw will join Sheffield this year although the leader of Bassetlaw Council is still in favour.

Cllr Ogle posed the question about Village Gateways – what are they and what advantages could there be for Wheatley?

01.17.06.3 Policing

CCllr Ogle drew Council’s attention to the consultation on Policing by Paddy Tipping the local Police Commissioner. He asked that Parish Councils write to support local police in rural areas who do such a good job because they know the local area and the perpetrators of rural crime. It is also important that PC Bill Bailey is replaced when he retires in October to retain the local police presence. **Action Clerk on behalf of the council**

01.17.07. The Lengthsman Scheme

Nothing to report.

01.17.08. Finance

01.17.08.1. Bank Reconciliation. The bank reconciliation to 30th December 2016 was approved by Council.

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

D Langmead – salary and expenses – final invoice for December	£	318.00
S Stilliard – salary and expenses for December	£	289.23
HMRC – tax for Nov / Dec	£	136.80
S Rockcliffe – Website services for December	£	20.00
Ian Wilkinson – Lengthsman services for Sept	£	227.70
N&S Wheatley Village Hall – hall hire for PC meetings Sept - Dec	£	120.00
N&S Wheatley Village Hall – electricity for hall hire	£	97.47

There may need to be a rent review for all sports clubs using the playing field **Action Clerk to confirm the date of the last review and report to the next PC meeting**

01.17.08.3. Budget 2017/8

Council reviewed the suggested budget for 2017/8 based on the current years spend and income and unanimously agreed to leave the precept for 2017/8 at the same level as 2016/7 i.e. no increase. If there is an unbudgeted expenditure it should be able to be taken from reserves.

Action Clerk to submit precept request to BDC

01.17.09. Minutes of the PC Meeting held on 13th December 2016.

The minutes of the meeting were altered to correct Harold Rickles name (from Howard) and then signed off as a true record of the meeting

01.17.10. Matters Arising from the Minutes (non-agenda items)

No matters arising this month.

01.17.11. NALC / Parish Council Forum / Rural Conference

Letter from NALC's new Chairman – Sue Baxter – in Reading Bag

01.17.12. Correspondence / Reading Bag

The following items of correspondence were received this month:

- Notts Mineral Plan – no action required
- Western Power offer of severe weather bulletins – **Action Clerk to register for them and put the offer into Clay's contact in case this would be useful for local farmers**
- Consultation on other Parishes Neighbourhood plans - no action required
- Police and Crime Commissioner budget consultation – **Clerk to submit Council's views on rural policing**

01.17.13. Playing Field / Pavilion / Community Garden

01.17.13.1. Matters to report

The grass has recently been cut by Holmes Groundcare

Cllr Cook kindly offered to take over the inspection of the play equipment and will attend a NALC run training course on Playground Equipment Safety on Thursday Feb 23rd **Action Clerk to make the booking**

01.17.13.2. Playing Field - New Footpath – confirmation of contract

The Clerk has requested quotes from 5 local business in total and has only had 2 responses despite several follow up calls. Council decided that little more could be done to obtain 3 quotes and discussed the relative strengths of the 2 responses from Hemswell Surfacing Ltd and Worksop Surfacing. The former took more time to assess the site including taking photos and detailed measurements which allowed him to provide a very detailed quote and method statement for the work. As a result, Council resolved to approve the quotation from Hemswell at a cost of £3,800.00 plus VAT **Action Clerk to instruct the selected contractor to go ahead with the work**

01.17.14. Highways / Footpaths / Water Course / Public Safety

01.17.14.1. Low Street Gullies and Drain Clearance.

Council agreed to request Notts CC to 'jet out' the Low Street 'slits' and to check that the surface water drainage system on Low Street is good enough to absorb heavy rain. **Action Clerk to continue to chase this**

Cllr Keyworth also asked who the Snow Warden contacts at Notts CC were in case of bad weather. **Action Clerk to ask Dave Langmead and report back**

01.17.14.2. Street Lights Out

Council noted that some faulty street lights had been repaired but that more were now 'out' as follows

Light number 21 in Top Street

Light number 10 in Low Street

Light number 32 in Sturton Road

The following Give Way signs are also without illumination

Church Hill

Top Street onto the By Pass

Sun Inn/Low Street

Stone Lane

Eastfield onto the By Pass

Action Clerk to report these

Cllr Newby left the meeting at this point

01.17.14.3. Moving Speed Limit Signs.

A purchase order has been sent to Notts CC who have now scheduled the work so there is a little progress. **Action Clerk to update as soon as possible**

01.17.14.4. Other matters to report

The grass verges at the Village Triangle are being regularly destroyed by contractors working in the area. PC to address this in the Spring when work may have finished and the weather is better in terms of grass growing back. **Action Clerk to put this on the agenda in March**

Many of the white lines in the village have faded – **Action Clerk to report this to Via**

There are fly tipped tyres in the layby on the main Gainsborough Road heading towards Retford after passing Top Street – **Action Clerk to report this to highways**

The direction sign on the bypass at the cross roads with the Sun Inn has been demolished – **Action Clerk to report to Via**

01.17.15. Village Hall Update.

Cllr Keyworth said on behalf of the Parish Council how good the Hall is looking now with its new kitchen

01.17.15.2. Second Defibrillator

The British Heart Foundation currently has funding for Defibrillators, cabinets and training, available to Parish Councils free of charge. Wheatley could benefit from a Defibrillator positioned at the Sun Inn i.e. at the other end of the village to the existing Defibrillator.

Action Cllr Keyworth to find out who to ask at the Sun Inn for permission to site a Defib on their wall (and supply electricity source)

01.17.15.3. Village Hall Funding.

At the next meeting of the Village Hall committee **Action Cllr Bennett to ask if there is anyway the PC can support the Village Hall during 2017**

01.17.15.4. Matters to report

None

01.17.16. Plaster Pits / Allotments

Letter to be sent to Mr Hickmott with invoice for his rent for 2017/18 – set at £25 **Action Clerk**

01.17.17. Dates of next meetings.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be – **Tuesday February 14th 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

Meetings for the rest of 2017 will be held on the following dates

March 14th / April 11th / May 17th / June 13th / July 11th / September 12th / October 10th / November 14th / December 12th

Sara Stilliard – Clerk, tel. 881582

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting

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