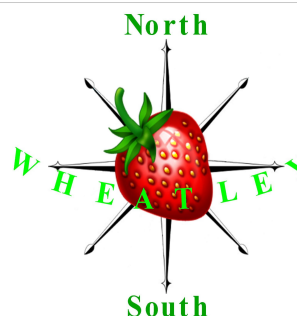


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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th July 2017 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs C Keyworth (Chair), M Burton, M Bennett, R Naish; G Matthews; D Cooke
Clerk: S Stilliard.

Residents: none **Guests:** Alan Guest; Terry Davey; PCSO Airey

PUBLIC FORUM

PLANNING MEETING

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Goacher; Newby and Willcox - which were accepted by Council.

Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality – none

New Applications –

[Residential Development for Six Dwellings](#) Land To The North Of Top Pasture Lane North Wheatley
Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 17/00867/FUL | Received: Tue 27 Jun 2017 | Validated: Tue 27 Jun 2017 |
Status: **Awaiting decision**

The application for Full Planning permission does not allow for suggested amendments to what would otherwise be a welcome addition of smaller homes for the village. Council voted to take a Neutral stance for the following reasons:-

In support – the proposed development offers 2 affordable starter homes and 2 bungalows - desirable for a village with very few of these and it reflects the Sturton Ward Neighbourhood plan which seeks more homes for young people and retirees. It also reflects the PC's wish to see any village growth as a series of small developments of no more than 6-8 homes.

However, the PC feels that the layout of the development is out of character with the village – a block of attached homes rather than individual houses – with an expanse of ground for common use rather than more private gardens. This is in contravention of Bassetlaw's Design and Character policies DM4 sections A1-3 and B1.

The integration of starter homes, bungalows and larger 4 bed houses, clearly meant for families, does not feel like a comfortable mix within such an 'open plan' design. However, the PC would wish that if granted the development will remain as 2 bungalows, 2 starter homes and 2 larger family homes and not be allowed to change into 6 x 4 bed homes due to profit imperative.

The PC (along with Highways) has some serious reservations about the access from Top Pasture Lane which is a very narrow road (with limited street lighting) and will have to accommodate more traffic with a possible 18 cars accessing this site, although Council recognises the inclusion of a turning circle to avoid backing out onto the road. There is only provision for 10 specific car parking spaces within the site when there could be 18 cars using it and possibly blocking the turning circle. Will there be enough space for refuse lorries to turn for example?

Decisions –

[Demolition of Existing Single Storey Side Extension and Erection of New Single Storey Side Extensions and First Floor Accommodation](#) Edgebank, Low Pasture Lane, North Wheatley, Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DQ Ref. No: 17/00697/HSE | Received: Thu 18 May 2017 | Validated: Thu 18 May 2017 | Status: **Granted**

Old Applications awaiting decisions –

[Proposed Dwelling](#) Land Adjacent To Cotswold, Top Street, North Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 17/00707/FUL | Received: Fri 19 May 2017 | Validated: Wed 31 May 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

[Demolition of Existing Bungalow and Garage and Construction of New House and Garage](#) Solent, Top Street, North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DB Ref. No: 17/00705/FUL | Received: Fri 19 May 2017 | Validated: Tue 23 May 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

[Application to discharge Condition 6 of Appeal Ref 15/00038/S36 - Outline Planning Permission with All Matters Reserved for Erection of Two Dwellings and Construction of New Access](#) Land Adjacent To Whitegates Top Pasture Lane North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9BY Ref. No: 17/00350/COND | Received: Wed 01 Mar 2017 | Validated: Thu 09 Mar 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

[Erect Two Dwellings with Garages and Construct New Access](#) Land Off Top Pasture Lane Adjacent To Whitegates Top Pasture Lane North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9BY Ref. No: 17/00638/FUL | Received: Thu 27 Apr 2017 | Validated: Fri 28 Apr 2017 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

[Outline planning to erect one dwelling at Land north of Orchard Lodge, Sturton Road, Sth Wheatley has been appealed](#) Ref No APP/A3010/W/17/3173384 Status: **Awaiting decision**

Other planning matters

It was noted by Council that work was being carried out on the drive and garage in advance of planning permission at Solent in Top Street – although the planning application has been amended to withdraw the garage. This has been reported to the planning officers and the enforcement officer has been notified.

Wheatley Parish Council has been formally notified by the Tennis Club, as owners of the Playing Field, of their pending planning application which will be considered as soon as it is published

There has been a complaint from residents about developers working out of hours specified on Top Pasture Lane, and scaffolding work carried out on a Sunday, along with a very loud radio being played, contrary to the terms of the planning permission.

Action Clerk to report this to the planning department

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

07.17.01. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Goacher, Newby and Willcox which were accepted by Council

07.17.02. Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality

None declared at this stage.

07.17.03. Report from the Chair – Agenda Issues

None

07.17.04. Police Report.

PCSO Dave Airey declared that there was only one reported crime in Wheatley during June. On the 29th June, a garage was broken into and items were taken. A resident told Cllr Keyworth that a van had been broken into but it was not reported. **Action Cllr Keyworth to ask the resident to report it to the police asap so action can be taken**

This year, from 01/04/2017, there have been 17 crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with 29 reported in the same period last year.

Police speed gun operations were mounted on 2 weekends in June and they will be out again in July. In total twenty tickets were given out and twenty-five vehicles were stopped and warned. A number of other vehicles were stopped as a result of driving documentation irregularities.

It would appear that the number of residents enrolling to Nottinghamshire Alert, particularly across this beat area, is steadily rising each month. Please take time to view the Nottinghamshire Alert website page and, if interested, please sign up. It is free to join the scheme and messages are sent out from time to time by me, and other agencies, in both text and E mail form.

The Nottinghamshire Police website page has also been recently updated. On this page, there are regular updates from the Police and other agencies around recent crimes and trends, and advice and contact details for support should these are required. Other agencies that regularly have input include the Trading Standards department (or Consumer Direct as it is known now) and the Action Fraud team.

This month there have been six reported incidents of anti-social behaviour, of various incident types, across the whole beat area. This compares with four reported incidents for May and two reported for the same month in 2016. 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.

Please look out for each other's homes this summer. Please continue to report suspicious persons, vehicles and activity in your area to our control room on 101, or 999 as appropriate.

As I have said in previous reports – Who knows the villages best?
The residents themselves, of course.

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 down crime.

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

07.17.04.02 Petition to replace Bill Bailey on his retirement

A petition has been drawn up by the Clerk of Headon and Rampton Parishes and circulated to all Clerks and Councillors in the area. DCllr Critchley urges everyone to sign the petition and send it to friends and family to ensure that we do not lose our rural police presence. **Action all councillors**

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

Community Speedwatch (CS)

The Speedwatch team is out twice a week weather permitting and the latest activity log was presented. The rate of traffic over the last 2 weeks is about 120 / hour and within that there can be between 3-12 speeders. Speeding seems to reduce in the summer months when the Speedwatch teams are in evidence so it is clear that the scheme is working to reduce overall speeding.

Residents broadly support the Speedwatch scheme although the sign has recently been deliberately cut down. The teams do try to stand where residents suggest, for example near the school to deter parents who may be speeding on the school run.

Letters sent to employers such as EDF and recently the Post Office do have an effect and are well supported by managers at these companies - the post van collecting in the afternoon is now travelling through the village at the speed limit for example. The scheme is also well supported by Dave Airey who will have a word with motorists and this has a great effect.

The Speedwatch team believes that Interactive Speed signs would be advantageous for Wheatley particularly in collecting information, useful both to the teams and the Police i.e. providing data on locations that see most speeding traffic.

Interactive Speed Sign for the village

Having considered the proposal from the Traffic Calming Group Council voted to buy one interactive speed sign with Bluetooth interconnectivity to load data to a laptop. This will support the Speedwatch team and will help to further deter traffic from speeding through the village

Action Clerk to order a Speed Sign and inform the Council's insurers about the asset

Action Alan Guest to produce an article on Speedwatch and the acquisition of the Interactive Speed sign for Clays Contact when it is in situ

Neighbourhood and Home Watch

Nothing to report

07.17.06. District and County Councillor Reports

None present

07.17.07. The Lengthsman Scheme

Ian Wilkinson has been booked onto a hedge cutting and mowing course in July. If Ian wishes to take manual handling or first aid training this will be at his expense.

07.17.08. Finance

07.17.08.1. Bank Reconciliation. The bank reconciliation to 30th June 2017 was approved by Council.

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

S Stilliard – salary and expenses for June	£ 307.82
Ian Wilkinson – Playing Field cuts for June	£ 180.00
Steve Rockcliffe – website services for June	£ 16.00
Ian Wilkinson – lengthsman services - June	£ 364.50
HMRC – Clerk tax April - June	£ 216.00

Blenheim Agricultural Services – spraying field

£ 156.00

07.17.08.3. Transparency grant

Cllr Bennett will ask the Village Hall committee if they need a tablet for use in the Village Hall **Action Cllr Bennett to let Clerk know**

Consideration of spending projects for the village to be added to September's agenda **Action Clerk**

07.17.09. Minutes of the PC Meeting held on 13th June 2017.

The minutes of the meeting were agreed by Council and signed off by the Chair

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

Cllr Bennett to take photos of pot holes and other highway issues and forward to the Clerk or John Ogle for consideration. **Action Cllr Bennett**

07.17.11. NALC / reports from outside bodies

Notification of the upcoming AGM of the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils on October 15th at Epperstone Village Hall at 7.30pm. The speaker will be the Chief Constable of Notts Police talking about policing in Nottinghamshire.

07.17.12. Correspondence / Reading Bag

The following items of correspondence were received this month for circulation in the reading bag:

- LCR Magazine
- Information about the development of West Burton C from EDF
- Update on the footpath closures due to National Grid works in the area
- Letter about policing Remembrance Services

07.17.13. Playing Field / Pavilion / Community Garden

07.17.13.1 Playing Field

The playing field is looking good at the moment and the Cricket Club is pleased with its condition. It was agreed that Ian Wilkinson is doing a good job

The fence around the play area is looking very shabby and needs refurbishment with replacement of some panels – specific action to be discussed at the next PC meeting **Action Clerk to put on Sept agenda**

07.17.13.2. Other matters to report

Council would like to recognise the huge amount of work that Pip Garner did for the village on a voluntary basis over many years. A bench has been suggested for the Playing Field and Cllr Keyworth will ask his wife Brenda for her ideas. **Action Clerk to add this to the agenda for September's PC meeting**

A fence near the club house at the beck has a rail missing which needs repair. **Action Cllr Naish to have a look at this**

07.17.14. Highways / Footpaths / Water Course / Public Safety

07.17.14.1. Low Street Gullies and Drain Clearance.

Collapsed gullies will need repair or replacement and Notts CC has ordered the work but no date has been set. **Action Clerk to send photos of this to John Ogle**

07.17.14.2. Street Lights Out

Street light on Low Street opposite Laburnum House is still not repaired. **Action Clerk to report / Cllr Naish to provide the street light number**

07.17.14.4. Other matters to report

The bench at the end of the bypass just past the layby needs attention – it is overgrown and needs retreating. **Action Cllr Keyworth to have a look**

The rock garden outside Old Hall encroaches onto the pavement and restricts it such that it is very narrow at a point where the footpath is needed for safety. **Action Clerk to write to John Mann and ask permission for the PC to scale back or remove this completely**

A hedge on Low Street, adjacent to the Sun Inn, needs to be trimmed back to allow cars to pass. Council believes that Nigel Walter is the tenant at Wheatley Grange Farm. **Action Clerk to write to the tenant requesting he do this when possible**

07.17.15. Village Hall Update.

The annual beach party is the next event organised by the village hall committee

07.17.15.1. Defibrillator

Nothing to report. **Action Clerk to remove this from the agenda**

07.17.15.2. Trees for the village

Wheatley Parish Council is now a Charter Branch member of the Woodland Trust and received a supply of Leaf magazines and other information – **in the correspondence bag for circulation.** In November 800, legacy trees will be planted across the UK by Charter members including Wheatley

Matters to report

None this month

07.17.16. Plaster Pits / Allotments

Cllr Keyworth has been contacted by a resident who may want to rent an allotment. He will get in touch with the PC if he wants to proceed

07.17.17. Dates of next meetings.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Tuesday September 12th 2017 starting at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.**

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

October 10th / November 14th / December 12th

Sara Stilliard – Clerk, tel. 881582

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting

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