

Clarborough & Welham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 22nd June 2015 at 7.00pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Clarborough

Present: Cllr Gibson, Cllr B Codling, Cllr Baines, Cllr B Robinson, Cllr F Robinson and Cllr Willcock

Others Present: Mrs Davies (Clerk) District Cllr Kath Sutton, County Councillor Liz Yates and members of the public

319/15 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Watkinson.

320/15 To receive any Declarations of Interest in any items on the agenda

No Declaration of Interests received.

321/15 Open session for members of the public to speak and to receive reports from the District & County Councillors

District Councillor Kath Sutton reported that her local history book is being proof checked this week and should be available in July. Proceeds from the sale of the book will go to the IT Group and Parish Council.

County Councillor Liz Yates gave an update from the Bassetlaw Parish Forum and phase two of the Broadband project.

Following comments over Sat Nav's sending lorries through rural villagers; Cllr Yates has asked Notts County Council to look into lorries using rural routes, surveys that have been carried out have highlighted a lack of alternative routes.

322/15 To approve minutes of the meeting held 11th May 2015

Cllr Baines proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 11th May 2015 as a true records; this was seconded by Cllr F Robinson and resolved by the Council. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

323/15 To receive updates from the minutes of the meeting held 11th May 2015

303/15 The Welham Sign has been ordered; the Chair to confirm with the manufacturer that the sign is to be re positioned on an alternative site.

306/15 The Chair reported that the skate park has been dismantled and disposed of as actioned at the last meeting; to comply with the enforcement order. It was noted that the wood under the skate park was found to be rotten; £555.00 has been raised so far from the sale of the remaining wood, 15 planks have been stolen from the storage area (the police have been informed).

At this point PCSO Airey attended the meeting and gave his police report for the beat area.

PCSO Airey also thanked Cllr Baines as a member of the W.I group; for his invitation to their tea party which enabled him to interact with the residents. The Chairman of the Parish Council also passed on the Council's gratitude to the W.I group.

324/15 To receive reports from other meetings

The Chair reported that he had attended the Central Bassetlaw forum and the minutes will be circulated when he receives them.

Cllr Codling gave a report from the Village Hall meeting.

Cllr Baines gave feedback from the tea party which was a success.

325/15 To receive play area inspection reports

Cllr Codling reported that the junior play area and sports field were in good condition – no issues with the play equipment or trees.

The play area on Gill Green Walk – damage has been caused to the picnic bench again.

The Chair has produced some detailed play inspection reports to use for the records and minutes. Due to the increase in work doing the inspection reports; the Chair asked if other councillors would help by inspecting council property i.e. litter bins and benches and report back to the council meetings. The Chair and Cllr Codling will continue to carry out the existing inspection regime up to September this year and then review the situation.

326/15 To consider planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices

Application: 15/00555/HSE

Location: 11 Pear Tree Close, Clarborough

Proposal: Erect two storey side extension

The Council considered the above application and had no objections to the extension but made comments over the shared drive and the impact on the neighbours.

Decision Notices

Application: 15/00108/COU

Location: The Post Office, Main Street, Clarborough

Proposal: Change of use from Post Office (A1) to Dwelling (C3)

Decision: Grant planning permission

Application: 15/00316/HSE

Location: 1 Chapel Close, Howbeck Lane, Clarborough

Proposal: Demolish existing outbuilding and erect a two story side and single storey rear extension

Decision: Grant planning permission subject to conditions

Application: 15/00331/VOC

Location: 4 Millers Court, Clarborough
Proposal: Variation of condition 3 of P.A 14/01058/HSE to use terracotta clay pan tiles instead of imitation slate

Decision: Grant permission subject to conditions

Application: 15/00401/FUL

Location: Land to rear of 3 Broad Gores, Clarborough
Proposal: Erect a pair of semi detached dwellings including construction of a new access

Decision: Refuse planning permission

327/15 To receive Neighbourhood Plan update

Cllr Willcock - Report of the Steering Group to the Parish Council Bassetlaw District Council Land – Site Meeting

Land layout

Design work has been carried out on the layout of the land by an independent designer employed by BDC but utilising the ideas from the Parish and the Steering Group. Two more plans are due to be drawn up with differing numbers of houses shown and differing layouts for the non-housing area of the land.

When these are prepared they will be first shown to the Parish Council and then put to the public at a number of meetings. We had hoped to have this completed by now but there have been some delays at BDC.

St John's Drive

A 5 m wide strip was offered to all the residents of St John's Drive who have gardens backing onto the BDC land (ie odd number houses 9 – 49). Approximate total cost per house owner was £1000. $\frac{2}{3}$ rds of householders wished to purchase. As one of the BDC criteria was that all owners should purchase, the sale has fallen through. This has caused some annoyance!

School Car Parking

In consultation with NCC Highways Dept an outline has been suggested to enable the use of the Village Hall Car Park by parents coming to the school to relieve congestion on Hillview Crescent. This involves widening the drive from Main Street to the Village Hall to allow two cars to be at the entrance/exit to the drive at the same time. This would be on the north side of the drive (ie the opposite side to the current footpath). At the same time it is hoped to negotiate with the owners of various signs and posts to the south of the entrance for their re-location.

If the Parish Council can agree in principle to the proposal then it would be worth further investigation as to the costings of doing the work. These could then be planned in to the budget for 2016/2017.

The success of the scheme does, of course, rely on the parents being prepared to use the altered drive!

Draft Plan

The Steering Group have employed a Consultant Planner to write the first version of a Draft Plan which pulls together all the work done to date. This Draft is currently being

examined in absolute detail to see if it reflects the expressed wishes of the community. We have currently spent 4 hours as a Group discussing it and probably as much in reading it privately. Corrections and changes have probably taken as many hours again. The process is not yet finished. When it is at an acceptable state the Parish Council will be given the opportunity to discuss it. It is, after all, your document.

When a Draft Plan is finalised it will be put out to the public for discussion for a mandatory 6 weeks. This will be in the autumn.

Finance

We have had confirmed that the N Plan has been awarded a £10,000 grant from Awards for All Big Lottery Fund to continue with the Plan. The Lottery Logo will appear on all publicity material produced. This ensures that there continues to be no cost to the villagers.

328/15 To consider replacement bench on Smeath Lane

The Chair proposed that the earmarked new bench for the Village Hall is used to replace the damaged one on Smeath Lane; which is unsightly and requires attention. Previous attempts to find who owns the bench have failed; it was there proposed that the Council replaces it. The cost of a new bench would be £353 plus installation.

Cllr Baines proposed to install the new bench on Smeath Lane; this was seconded by Cllr Willcock and resolved by the Council.

329/15 To consider repairs to the drain on the village hall drive

The Chair reported that following recent heavy rain; the drive flooded again and there were concerns that the water would flood into the nearby property; with this in mind the Chair organised someone to carry out emergency work and it was found that the soak away has failed. The Chair has obtained two quotations to date to replace the soak away; a third quote is still to be received.

Cllr Codling proposed that when all the quotations have been received, the Council actions the Chair to arrange for the work to be carried out on a best value basis; this was seconded by Cllr F Robinson and resolved by the Council.

330/15 To consider costs to replace the sports field goal nets and posts

The Chair reported that on investigation the criteria for the replacement goal post nets has been updated and the current ones require replacing to meet current standards. The estimated cost for the net would be approx £60; the posts could be supported by replacement posts behind the current ones plus the labour to install.

Cllr Baines proposed to approve a budget of £200 to replace the nets and posts; this was seconded by Cllr B Robinson and resolved by the Council.

331/15 To consider any suggestions for an alternative community facility for the ball park area

A discussion took place with a suggestion of installing fitness equipment; the Chair suggested asking the Scouts for any suggestions but to fit the criteria for funding applications; it must be a youth consultation. It was proposed to put an article in the parish magazine.

332/15 To receive and consider information regarding CCTV at the village hall

Deferred to a future meeting.

333/15 To review and discuss ownership of council owned land and assets

The Chair has put together a list of council owned land and assets for publication under the Transparency Code. No alterations required – it was agreed to contact Jones & Co regarding a land registry query.

334/15 To approve payments and receive financial update

The Clerk circulated copies of the current finance update and bank statements for the Cllrs to view.

Cllr Willcock proposed to approve the following payments; this was seconded by Cllr Baines and resolved by the Council.

- α) Parish Clerk – May wages £187.79 (1804)
- β) Holmes Groundcare Maintenance £175.56 (1805)
- χ) P Gibson – reimbursement of expenses for dismantling and disposing of the skatepark ramp £1118.16 (1806)
- δ) Isle of Axholme rates £2.21 (1807)
- ε) Parish Clerk – June's wage, tax refund and expenses £259.43 (1808)
- φ) Inline Drainage solutions £132.00 (1809)
- γ) Clarborough & District Community Association £690.00 (1810)
- η) N.A.L.C Review subscription £17.00 (1811)
- ι) Clarborough & Welham IT Group – heritage grant expense £500.00 (1812)

A letter has been written asking the NatWest bank to alter the name on the bank account from Clarborough Parish Council to Clarborough & Welham Parish Council; this was signed by two Members.

335/15 To receive reports on highways and service faults

- Cllr Baines - overgrown hedge in front of Chapel Close
- Cllr Robinson – footpaths require cutting
- Cllr Robinson – Welham grit bin has been moved
- Cllr Willcock – BDC land and footpath requires cutting
- Cllr Willcock – enquiry if hydrologic survey has been carried out

336/15 To receive items for information and future agendas

- Canal and Riverside Trust

- Phone box on Smeath Lane
- Advertise co-options for two new councillors

337/15 Time and date of next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on the 20th July 2015 at 7pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Clarborough.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.27pm.