

Clarborough & Welham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 20th July 2015 2015 at 7.00pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Clarborough

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

Others Present: Mrs Davies (Clerk) District Cllr Kath Sutton and members of the public

338/15 To receive apologies for absence

No apologies received.

339/15 To receive any Declarations of Interest in any items on the agenda

Cllr Willcock declared an interest in agenda item 9- planning application for 11 Hill View Cres.

340/15 Representative from Highways design to discuss the siting of another over height vehicle gantry at Welham

Cllr Willcock gave the following report of a site meeting which took place prior to the Council meeting.

Cllr Gibson and Cllr Willcock attended this meeting as did George Peszynski and John Rider also from NCC Highways which started near the Hop Pole public house on Welham Road.

The Cllrs questioned the proposed location (175 m west of Welham Corner) on grounds of not addressing the issue of preventing vehicles having to travel into Welham and the safety of the proposed turning area on Welham Corner. There followed a walk from the first bridge to view the proposed location with it being pointed out that there were no turn offs for vehicles between the two locations i.e. the NNC proposal and PC suggestion. The likelihood of a long reverse from the proposed location to the Hope Pole lay-by was also discussed.

We returned to the height sensors outside the Hop Pole and tests on the height set on these were carried out. Apart from them not working fully it was discovered that they were set to the height of the Welham low bridge and the existing gantry on the Welham side of that bridge. At this point they were much more ready to accept our proposal for relocating the gantry to near the Hop Pole. Some discussion followed and the site was suggested as just outside the existing National Speed Limit sign near the Hop Pole. This met the criteria of high sided vehicles not travelling faster than 40 mph and no being right outside the Hop Pole which would have been unsightly for the pub.

The Highways engineers were to look at this suggested location back at their office to ensure there were no technical difficulties especially due to the proximity of some low voltage power lines. Cllr Gibson, an expert on these, assured them there should not be.

The group then relocated to Welham corner to discuss the practicalities of HGVs turning there. Having experienced the difficulty of crossing the corner to park in Pinfold Lane they quickly realised the dangers of the suggestion. A short discussion highlighted other dangers in any manoeuvring on this bend.

It was agreed again that they would move their site to near the Hop Pole, enhance the interactive warning sign and look at other confusing signage.

They will continue to use Cllr Willcock as their contact with the PC.

341/15 Open session for members of the public to speak and to receive reports from PCSO Airey, District & County Councillors

District Cllr Kath Sutton reported on a two hour meeting that she attended along with others, with the planning department to discuss Smeath Lane issues; it was felt that they had a better understanding of the constraints the planning department were under.

Cllr Sutton also reported on the recent Rural Conference which focused on rural isolation e.g. transport and social isolation.

342/15 To approve minutes of the meeting held 22nd June 2015

Cllr Willcock proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 22nd June 2015 as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr Codling and resolved by the Council. The Chair duly signed the minutes.

343/15 To receive updates from the minutes of the meeting held 22nd June 2015

323/15

- The Chair has spoken with the manufacturer of the new Welham sign and they are aware of the new site for the installation of the sign
- The Chair has sold 4 more posts and received £40.00

329/15

- The Chair obtained 3 quotations for the repairs to the drain – the 1st quote was accepted. It was noted that the drain cover has been stolen and the Chair has put a cone over the drain till the cover is replaced.

328/15

- Bench to be repaired rather than replaced – only new wood required

330/15

- Following information on the new criteria for goal posts, it was agreed to purchase 4 new elbows at £90 each

331/15

- Quotation for fitness equipment obtained – but it needs to be consultation driven by the youth to be able to access funding. Cllr Willcock to contact Karen Tarburton.

333/15

- Absolute title deeds have been applied for the council owned land on Smeath Lane
- Clerk reported overgrown hedge in front of Chapel Close.
- Cllr Willcock is meeting with Highways to discuss moving the service poles/bins and widening of the village hall driveway entrance.
- Cllr Codling will report the state of the land belonging to the District Council.

At this point PCSO Airey attended the meeting and gave his beat area report to the Council. It was also noted that Nottinghamshire will be losing a quarter of its PCSOs.

344/15 To receive reports from other meetings

Cllr Codling reported that the village hall committee has not met since the last report.

345/15 To receive play area inspection reports

Cllr Codling submitted his weekly routine play area inspection report – the play equipment is in good order; the play area gate remains open and a magnetic catch is being sought. The playing field is in a decent condition – the goal post refurbishment is being dealt with.

Gill Green Walk play area – no problems. Cllr Codling will contact Parks & Open Spaces to report the Willow tree on the canal bank which appears to have died; there are overhanging branches over the ball wall area and footpath. Also complaints received over the overgrown nature of the field adjacent to the play area which has a footpath across the field. Also a bramble growing through the fence also needs trimming back – these reports to be passed onto the Parks & Open Spaces at Bassetlaw.

It was noted that there was slight damage to the car park litter bin but no action required at present.

The Chair carried out a routine inspection of the ancillary items on 19th July 2015.

Volunteers from the Council required to carry out the play area inspection reports and also ancillary items from September.

346/15 To consider planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices

Application: 15/00769/HSE

Location: 11 Hillview Crescent, Claborough

Proposal: Erect two storey side extension, new front porch and install new rear patio doors

The Councillors considered the above application and had no objections.

347/15 To receive Neighbourhood Plan update

Cllr Willcock gave a report of the Steering Group to the Parish Council on the Bassetlaw District Council Land – Site Meeting

Land layout

Two more plans are currently being drawn up with differing numbers of houses shown and differing layouts for the non-housing area of the land.

These will be ready within the next week. I would like, therefore, to ask for a non-public Parish Council Meeting so that they can be first shown to the Parish Councillors. The plans will then be put to the public at a number of meetings starting on 4 September 2014. There will be a 'leaflet' and questionnaire distributed in mid-August to all homes and businesses. The questionnaire will be due back on 13 September 2015.

Draft Plan

The Draft Plan has been examined in absolute detail to see that it reflects what is wanted. Corrections are being made. When this is completed it will be re-examined by the SG. When it is at an acceptable state the Parish Council will be given the opportunity to discuss it.

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.

Time Line

The new Time Line for progress of the Plan is now seen as:

Early September	Public Consultation about BDC land
Early October	Completion of Draft Plan
November-mid December	Statutory 6 week Public Consultation on Draft Plan
January 2016	Rewrite Draft Plan from Consultation
February 2016	Examination
March 2016	Referendum

Finance

The Lottery Logo is now appearing on all publicity material produced and will be on the website. A grant from Locality has also been applied for.

A date to be arranged for the steering group to hold a presentation of the plans to the councillors.

348/15 Proposal to discuss the Canal and Riverside Trust

Cllr Baines reported that the Canal and Riverside Trust are looking for volunteers who spend some of the leisure walking the canal; to report back to the Trust on any problems they see with the tow-path or canal. This is a way the local people can help maintain our local heritage. It was agreed to put an article in the parish magazine.

349/15 Repairs to Smeath Lane bench

Further to the proposal from the last meeting to replace the bench on Smeath Lane; on further inspection it was noted that it was only the wood that required replacing rather than the whole bench. It was therefore proposal and resolved to replace the wood as required.

350/15 To discuss the Smeath Lane phone box

Further to the proposal from the last meeting on the phone box on Smeath Lane; it was found that The Community HeartBeat Trust has applied to adopt the phone box with a view to using it to site a defibrillator. The Trust has applied to adopt a number of village phone boxes for this propose. The Chair has contacted to Trust and they are now aware that the village already has already has a defibrillator in place; if the phone box becomes excess to their requirements then the Parish Council may be able to look at this again.

351/15 To consider consultation with residents on the night time street lighting times

Following a letter from a resident concerning the night time street lighting scheme; the Clerk reported that she has dealt with the issue of asking for the lighting to be turned back on during the night time with two of her other parishes.

Notts County Council will consider the Parish Council's request pending evidence that a public consultation has taken place. The result of the consultation will then determine if the street lights are turned back on.

It was agreed to put an article in the parish magazine asking for the residents comments.

352/15 To discuss co-option of two parish councillors

The Clerk confirmed that co-option of two further parish councillors can go ahead; it was agreed to advertise in the parish magazine.

353/15 To approve payments and receive financial update

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

- α) Holmes Groundcare Maintenance – June grass cutting £175.56 (1813)
- β) P Gibson – wood for repairs to bench £101.21 (1814)
- χ) Clerk's July wage £187.79 (1815)
- δ) P Gibson – purchase of new goal nets £64.42 (1816)
- ε) Clerk – expense for land registry fees £40.00 (1817)
- φ) J & K Sutton – Heritage Grant expenses £150.00 (1818)
- γ) Rebecca Kay Design – Heritage Grant expenses £52.00 (1819)
- η) Clarborough & Welham IT Group – Heritage Grant expenses £150.00 (1820)
- ι) J & K Sutton – Heritage Grant expenses £18.00 (1821)
- φ) J & K Sutton – Heritage Grant expenses £150.00 (1822)
- κ) J & K Sutton – Heritage Grant expenses £48.00 (1823)
- λ) Bookworm – Heritage Grant expenses £2200.00 (1824)
- μ) Indigo Blue – Heritage Grant expenses £109.00 (1825)
- ν) J & K Sutton – Heritage Grant expenses £58.00 (1826)
- ο) P Willcock – Office expense purchase of binder £74.38 (1827)
- π) P Willcock – Office expenses £12.76 (1828)

354/15 To receive reports on highways and service faults

The Chair defected the drain on Main Street, left side of the village hall entrance; when this is blocked it causes that water from Main Street to be diverted down the drive way. NCC has confirmed that they will be dealing with the drain.

355/15 To receive items for information and future agendas

- Electric box to check – xmas lights
- Update on discussions on the widening of the village hall drive way
- Results of any consultations discussed at this meeting
- Resident parking Scheme for Hill View Cres
- Fundraising for sports equipment

356/15 Time and date of next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on the 14th September 2015 at 7pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Clarborough.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.