

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21 January 2020 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Members Present: Councillors M Thomas (Chairperson), A Belgrove, R Honess and the Clerk

Members of the Public Present: Mrs J Edgar & Mr N Calow

1. Apologies: Received from Councillors Settle and B Hallam
2. Declaration of Interest – None declared
3. Questions from the Public – Planning Application R19/0758 Mrs J Edgar and Mr N Calow put forward reasons they believed the Parish Council should support this application for a dwelling at The Old Pastures Moor Lane. The Council however unanimously objected to the application on the grounds that the building falls outside the Village settlement boundary contrary to the recent NDP Plan approved by Rugby Borough Council and if passed would set a precedent for other possible applications.

Mrs Edgar and Mr Calow left the meeting.

4. Minutes – minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25 November 2019 approved and signed by the Chairperson.
5. UPDATE ON ACTIONS AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
 - 5.1 Playing Field – Replacement surfacing still under consideration.
 - 5.2 Youth Club – Still no response from Rugby Borough Council. Councillor Belgrove to chase.
 - 5.3. Playing Field Inspection –
 - 5.3.1. Councillor Belgrove has now completed the programme for weekly inspections of the Playing Field and its equipment and these are to commence shortly.
 - 5.3.2. ROSPA Report – Councillor Thomas to contact “HAGS” regarding the anti-roll pins on all the “D” brackets allowing them to possibly loosen.
 - 5.4 Brambles in Moor Lane – Mr A Ray has cut back the brambles in Moor Lane and the Localities Officer of WCC has agreed to take out the self seeded trees and growth in the brook from the Pumping Station down to the Village Hall.
Alterations to the brook past the bridge to be considered in order to give relief when possible flooding takes place.
 - 5.5. Brickhill Lane/A45 – As yet no response from the Localities Officer of WCC. Councillor Thomas to follow up.
 - 5.6. A45 Footpath – Clearance has taken place.
 - 5.7. Shar Lane – The fallen tree which remained in the ditch has been cleared.
 - 5.8. Speed Awareness Signs – Warwickshire County Council has confirmed that approval is required for such signs and as yet they are not prepared to give this due to the accident records.
 - 5.9. – Traffic Survey – Report expected in 4 – 6 weeks.

5.10 Footpaths – Councillor Honess has walked the Village footpaths where possible and reports an Electric Fence on the footpath between Pye Court and the A45 with no danger signs. Clerk to inform WCC Footpaths and also when the work promised in early 2019 on two other footpaths will be undertaken.

5.11 Mowing A quotation from W S Gardens of £180 + VAT for the mowing of the Playing Field and Village verges was accepted on the proposition of Councillor Honess seconded by Councillor Belgrove. Councillor Thomas to confirm acceptance with Contractor.

5.12 Councillor Thomas to follow up with the Localities Office the work requested by the Parish Council on the poor condition of the road at the Sewage Works in Woolscott Lane and also the provision of signage at the Willoughby House bend.

5.13. Flooding – Agreed to hold over to the next meeting the cost of sourcing flood gel packs for residents whose properties are in danger of being flooded.

5.14. Playing Field Hedge – this has now been cut back.

6. PLANNING - see 3 questions from the public.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Council agreed that the Clerk should remain as the trustee representing the Parish Council on the Willoughby Charity and Willoughby Educational Foundation.

7.2 Boundary Stone – Grandborough Parish Council has requested our proposals for the uplifting of the Boundary Stones at our Village Boundary with them. Agreed to hold in abeyance until Councillor Hallam attends next meeting.

7.3. Allotments – Flecknoe Parish Council has advised of spare allotments in Flecknoe for any Willoughby residents. Information passed to Allotments Association.

7.4. Flexi Bus Services – Council has been advised of some changes to the Flexi bus service – Clerk to put notification on Notice Board.

8. 8.1. Playing Field Connecting Hedge – A quotation for the removal of the hedge between the old Playing Field and its extension together with supplying Rabbit netting. Agreed to hold in abeyance until Councillor Hallam is present and if possible obtain another quotation.

8.2. Highways – Councillor Thomas to raise with the Localities Officer the condition of the road and verges on the stretch between Willoughby House and the “T” junction at Sawbridge.

9. FINANCIAL REPORT

9.1. The following payments were approved:

Rose Inn – Over 60's Lunch	£732.00
E.ON – Electricity	£103.81
Thomas Flecknoe – Hedge	£105.00
SLCC Subs	£ 65.00
E.ON - Electrics Maintenance	£107.28
Village Hall Hire	£ 60.00

9.2. Precept – Council agreed a Precept for 2020-2021 of £14,232 an increase of 2.5%

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 11 February 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Date:

Clerk Chairperson.....