

CAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 8 March 2017 in Dean Hole School commencing 7.30 pm

Present: Councillors:

B. Robins (Chair)
A. Baugh
C. Jagger
C. Harvey
S. Michael
S. Routledge
C. Webb

In attendance:

C. Millward (Clerk)
Councillor Saddington
Councillor Laughton
Members of the public (4)

	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS	ACTION
CPC/42/17	Apologies for absence: There were no absences.	
CPC/43/17	<p>Declarations of interest: Councillor Michael declared a disclosable pecuniary interest as landowner with regard to items 10b (Accounts for payment) and item 16a (Village services - Allotments).</p> <p>There were no other declarations of interest, direct or indirect, in any items of business on the agenda.</p>	
CPC/44/17	Dispensations: None required.	
CPC/45/17	<p>10 Minutes public speaking: A representative of the residents' flood planning group outlined the outcome of the group's investigations with regard to flood planning and external support. Councillor Laughton advised that funding would be more readily available to a voluntary group, albeit with parish council support, than to a parish council led group. He offered his support for such a group. The representative formally requested the council's support. Councillors agreed to consider the request under item 19 a (correspondence – flood planning).</p> <p>A resident requested a copy of third party correspondence which she understood had been sent to the council in relation to the trees on Manor Road. The clerk confirmed an email response previously given that, as far as she was aware, there had been no such correspondence. The resident will obtain a copy of the correspondence from the third party.</p>	
CPC/46/17	Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2017 were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair.	
CPC/47/17	<p>Matters arising: Councillors decided to move to item 7 on the agenda next (Reports from district and county councillors) to assist councilors Saddington and Laughton.</p> <p><i>CPC/18/17 – Correspondence - Item a – Young Farmers – Best Kept Village sign</i> – The clerk reported on NCC Highways' concerns regarding siting the sign in the Hockerton crossroads vicinity. Councillors recognized the concerns and agreed that by the telephone box on Norwell Road would be a suitable alternative. The</p>	

	<p>clerk will pass councillor Baugh's contact details to Mr Lamb at NCC Highways so that they may liaise direct.</p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>	
CPC/48/17	<p>Reports from district and county councillors: For the reasons recorded at CPC/47/17 above (Matters arising) this item was considered after item 5 on the agenda.</p> <p>Councillor Laughton invited the resident concerned about the trees on Manor Road to contact him direct. He would then ask NCC Highways to inspect the trees. He also outlined the outcome of the meeting at Norwell on 22 February 2017 regarding the bus service and confirmed that the council would be fully consulted on any formally proposed change.</p> <p>Councillor Saddington reported that she had attended to councillors' planning concerns regarding 16/02121/FUL Proposed Oak-Framed New Dwelling (Revised application of 14/01222/FUL) The Slips Norwell Road Caunton NG23 6AF but had no update as yet.</p> <p>Neither councillor Laughton nor councillor Saddington had received the chair's email to NSDC expressing the council's frustration at the decisions in relation to 16/01726/FUL (Mole End Mill Lane Caunton) and 16/ 01578/FUL (First Bungalow Amen Corner Caunton. The chair will re-send the email to both.</p> <p>Councillors Laughton and Saddington left the meeting at 8.10 pm.</p>	Chair
CPC/49/17	Reports from Councillors: Nothing to report.	
CPC/50/17	Arrangements for 2017 Annual Parish Meeting: To commence at 7.00 pm on 10 May 2017. The clerk will invite a CPRE representative to speak at the meeting.	Clerk
CPC/51/17	<p>Financial Matters:</p> <p>a. Financial position as at 28 February 2017: Councillors considered and noted the clerk's report showing the precise financial position at 28 February 2017 (incorporating the 2016-17 budget figures).</p> <p>b. Accounts for payment: The council unanimously approved four payments totalling £1936.49.</p>	
CPC/52/17	<p>Playground</p> <p>a. Monthly property managers' inspection report: Councillor Baugh confirmed that the monthly inspection had taken place. There were no issues since the last report.</p> <p>b. Official opening of new toddler play equipment: Mrs Webb reported that pre-school children would be available on any afternoon between 1pm and 3pm (not Thursdays). The clerk will check councillor Laughton's availability after the elections. Date for the event to be agenda item for April meeting. WREN to be invited once a date fixed.</p>	Clerk Agenda
CPC/53/17	<p>Planning matters:</p> <p>a. Applications: None.</p> <p>b. To note planning decisions by NSDC: None</p> <p>c. Enforcement matters: None.</p>	
CPC/54/17	A616 – Speeding traffic and road safety: The clerk will report to NCC the accident at around 10pm on Thursday 16 February 2017 at	Clerk

	<p>the Maplebeck junction which was attended by the emergency services and resulted in serious injury to an individual involved in the accident. She will also report that A616 was closed for about 12 hours.</p> <p>Councillors confirmed that they regard this accident as further evidence of the need for a reduced speed limit on this stretch of A616. The clerk will copy her email to councillor Laughton.</p>	Clerk
CPC/55/17	<p>Mill Lane – Traffic speed reduction: Councillors welcomed NCC’s decision to install a temporary interactive speed camera in June 2017. The clerk will ask NCC to erect "It's 30 for a reason" signs on Mill Lane and possibly more widely in the village depending on the number available.</p>	Clerk
CPC/56/17	<p>Bus services – update: Discussed in part at CPC/48/17 above (Reports from district and county councillors). The chair reported on the outcome of his telephone conversation with Mr C Ward of NCC regarding the suggested changes to allow for a daily service for Bathley. Councillors expressed concern that the service to Caunton appeared to be being reduced to three usable buses a day, a considerable divergence from the hour and half service proposed at the Norwell meeting on 22 February 2017. The chair will draft a response to Mr Ward suggested timetable which he will circulate first to the remaining councillors.</p>	Chair
CPC/57/17	<p>Village services:</p> <p>a. Provision of allotments: Having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest at CPC/43/17 above (Declaration of interest), councillor Michael withdrew from the meeting. Councillors discussed whether to make a formal request for allotments in the context of the time limit provided for in the transfer document between the landowner and NCHA. They agreed to make a formal request at this stage, recognising that, until construction was complete, it would not be possible to reach a clear decision as to whether the site was appropriate and the request should be pursued. The clerk will write to the landowner.</p> <p>b. Monthly property managers’ inspection report including telephone kiosk and defibrillators: Councillor Baugh confirmed that the monthly inspection had taken place and there were no issues since the last report. Councillors thanked councillor Jagger for organising and erecting the signs.</p> <p>Councillors discussed the incident on 23 February 2017 when, during storm Doris, a large branch on one of the trees along Manor Road between the wall and the Beck fell across the Beck and into a resident's garden. In a separate incident, a branch had also fallen across Newark Road. The incident closed the road and was attended by the police and fire service. The clerk will write to NCC expressing concern that trees previously inspected by NCC had proven unsafe and that the work ordered under HAMS 6022077 had not yet been completed.</p> <p>c. Community defibrillator including training and second defibrillator: Councillors Baugh and Routledge will attend the training on 20 March 2017.</p> <p>Councillor Routledge will email the existing defibrillator model details to the clerk who will order a second machine. The exact cost to be confirmed but councillors confirmed approval of the requisite cheque in advance subject to a maximum of £1350+VAT, the chair and clerk to sign the cheque.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	d. War memorial – Restoration and funding: War Memorials Trust advice still awaited.	
CPC/58/17	Village environment and appearance: Councillor Routledge reported that BKVC was considering the feasibility of installing false gates in the verges at the Mill Lane, Norwell Road and Newark Road entrances to the village. The clerk will investigate what permissions would be required from NCC and what considerations would need to be taken into account as regards the design and siting of the gates.	Clerk
CPC/59/17	Service faults: The clerk will report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The pooling water on Mill Lane near Hill House Farm entrance as identified in a resident’s photos provided to the council b. The chevrons at the bend on Newarsk Road entering the village from A616. 	Clerk Clerk
CPC/60/17	Correspondence: Item a - Residents’ flood planning group – Flood plan – After discussion and taking account of the matter raised at CPC/45/17 (10 minutes public speaking), councillors decided to endorse the group’s exploration and preparation of a flood plan and to consider the matter again once working document was available. Item b - NALC – CiLCA training – Councillors agreed that the training would be of value to the clerk and council and approved a one quarter share of the cost. Item c - NSDC – Warm homes on prescription scheme - Councillor Michael will pass the colour poster to the chair for display in the notice board. Item d - National Plant Monitoring Scheme – Wild plant and habitat survey - Councillor Routledge will pass the details to BKVC and the chair will advertise the survey in the parish magazine. Councillors had no comment on the NSDC CIL levy consultation.	SM/ Chair
CPC/61/17	10 Minutes public speaking time: Concerns repeated regarding the safety of trees on Newark Road. The clerk is writing to NCC in this regard (CPC/57/17 above (Village services)). Concerns were also raised at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What appears to be waste water running from the Caunton Beck entrance across Newark Road to the drain on the other side and at the potential health risks. The clerk will ask NSDC Environmental Health to inspect the site to ensure that any health risk is addressed. b. Water collecting on Mill Lane outside Kiln Cottage. The clerk will ask NCC to inspect the site. c. The condition of the road edges from Newark Road to School Lane which has not been swept. The clerk will contact NSDC. <p>Councillors Routledge and Baugh will inspect the grit bin opposite the church. Councillor Routledge will padlock the big gate to the playing field.</p>	Clerk Clerk Clerk AB/SR SR
CPC/62/17	Agenda items for next meeting: As above.	
CPC/63/17	Date of next meeting: Wednesday 12 April 2017 at 7.30 pm	

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.