

WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 1st April 2019**
7.15 pm in the Village Hall, Whissendine

Present.

Mr Will Farr (Chairman)
Mr D Hatton, Mrs C Moss, Mr Comber
Mr T Edmunds, Mrs L Arnold

In attendance

Also in attendance.

Dr S Lammin (Honorary Parish Clerk)
Mr Ian Arnold (County Councillor)
Rosemary Powell, Robyn Green (RCC), Paul
Greenlay.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 19:15 hours.

13110 To take any questions or comments from the public: None received.

13111 Apologies for absence: received from Mrs Lake.

13112 Declaration of any pecuniary interest in any matter on the agenda: None

13113 Minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2019 approved; proposed by Mr Hatton and seconded by Mrs Moss.

13114 Minutes of the Village meeting held on 13 March 2019 approved; proposed by Mr Hatton and seconded by Mr Comber.

It was agreed that the agenda should be taken out of order and Item 11 was brought forward.

13115 On-going business not scheduled elsewhere on agenda including matters arising from the Village Meeting and ITCP-2017 -03 discussion of the outcome of the feasibility study.

Robyn Green attended to brief the meeting on the outcome of the feasibility study; for the passing place on Cow Lane. Observations were made between 08.15 and 09.15hrs: 27 vehicles. The pull in to The Banks would be the preferred site. Goes for funding approval to RCC Highways and Transport Working Group in June 2019.

The issue of Melton Road post box was raised. Highways inspector suggested it be moved to original position or to edge of bus stop. She will contact PO.

13116 Reports of meetings attended:

- a) County Councillor, Mr Arnold reported that with RCC in purdah there is little to report.
- b) Mrs Moss reported on the Village Hall meeting. A request has been made to the Parish Council for £1000 grant towards refurbishment programme.

13117 Planning matters:

- a To consider plans received between 5 March 2018 and 1 April 2019:
- i. 2019/0215/FUL 5 Paddock Close
Erection of porch to front of dwelling: No comments offered.
 - ii. 2019/0169/FUL 29A The Nook
Extension of existing and construction of new dwelling: The new dwelling appears over-large for the size of plot and represents an over-development of the site. There is a lack of detail regarding materials for the new-build but seems to show zinc sheeting for the roof which is out of keeping with the surrounding area as there are no other buildings within the village with a zinc roof, tile and thatch being the predominant materials. The proposed construction also seems to require significant reduction in land-level this is within a naturally wet area and the Parish Council has concerns about the impact on the watercourses and water-table in the area as the applicant does not seem to be aware of the significant flooding that occurs regularly in The Nook.
 - iii. 2018/1273/FUL 27A The Nook: revised plans
The Parish Council agreed to re-state the comments they offered on the last version of this application in relation to gabions and increase in land-levels.
The summer-house application attracted no additional comment other than concerns regarding significant change in land levels.
- b. Planning updates received, including:
- i. 2019/0074/CLP: erection of garage permission granted by RCC
 - ii. 2019/0032/FUL: garden room and stable permission granted by RCC
 - iii. 2019/0084/FUL: single storey rear extension granted by RCC.

13118 The Banks

No current issues. Fencing and gates, condition to be looked at. Tree survey to be arranged.

13119 Highways and Village Maintenance matters for report and to agree any necessary action:

Bottom of Melton Road at junction with Oakham Road depressed area 1msq.
Melton Road junction with Oakham Road tarmac seam rutting.
Sherrard Close op 72 several potholes up to 12inches diam. currently shallow but close to disabled parking bay.

13120 Request for grant from The Sports Club for £250 towards redecoration of Sports Hall.

It was AGREED to award grant.

13121 Financial Business

- a To receive the details of budget for 2019-20. The budget was noted as being set at £31400 for the year with the precept delivering £30187.50 and the remainder from reserves.

It was also noted that the National Minimum Wage increased today, on 1April. Accordingly the minimum hourly rate the parish council will be paying will be £8.71, being NMW +50p in accordance with minute 13058c of November 2018.

- b To consider invoices received in March and approve payments, as appropriate:
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| Village meeting refreshments | £29.96 |
| Meeting Room rental | £81.25 |
| Village Caretaking | £57.34 |
| Banks maintenance | £252.00 |
| Clerk's training | £40.00 |
- c To review assessment of risks for the Parish Council and review the insurance risk presentation, including sums insured. The core risks within the existing insurance policy were deemed adequate for the parish council's needs. There were additional assets added to the schedule for future insurance-cover. These assets included: the Christmas-tree lights, electricity supply to the green, the footbridge in The Banks, the village notice-board, the signs in The Banks, benches, speed-reactor signs, bus shelters, village sign, bins and village pump. The insurance-value of the play equipment was also increased.

Other non-insured risks were reviewed and deemed unchanged.

13122 Ongoing business continued:

- a Traffic on Cow Lane was raised as an issue at the Village Meeting on 13 March 2019, the notion of a one-way system for the village was not widely accepted other, suggestions were offered:
- i. A passing place
 - ii. 20mph zone being introduced:
 - iii Signage for Oakham Road end to indicate 'Road Liable to Flooding'

As the passing place is coming forward it was AGREED that the other suggestions would not be pursued at this time.

As the issue of the diversion sign was raised at the village meeting it was AGREED that RCC be asked if it was still appropriate to leave it in place.

Land issue: The change of solicitor was noted and it was AGREED the possibility of Possessory Title should be investigated. The solicitor is to report to the Parish Council.

13123 Correspondence:

Seafarers UK March 2019

Meeting closed at 20.53 hours.

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