

## WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 7 November 2022**  
**7.15 pm**, held in the Village Hall, Whissendine.

**Present.**

**Mr Will Farr (Chairman)**  
**Mr D Hatton, Mrs G Wilkins, Mrs C Moss, Dr**  
**C East, Mrs J Buckley, Mr K Thomas, Mrs L**  
**Arnold and Mr P Greenlay.**

**In attendance**

Also in attendance.

Meeting started 19.15 hrs.

Dr S Lammin (Parish Clerk)

No members of the public.

- 13610** To take any questions or comments from the public: None
- 13611** Apologies for absence: Mrs Powell, Ward Councillor (RCC meeting clash)
- 13612** Declaration of any pecuniary interest in any matter on the agenda: None
- 13613** To approve minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2022 Proposed Mrs Moss and seconded by Mrs Wilkins, the minutes were approved.
- 13614** Report(s) from Parish Councillors on meeting(s) attended. None attended.
- 13615** Report from Mrs Rosemary Powell, Rutland County Councillor: Mrs Powell left a report and advised 20 people attended the virtual meeting about natural flood attenuation.
- 13616** Planning matters:
- Mrs Buckley joined the meeting.

- a. To consider plans received since 4 October 2022; including:
- 2022/1216/FUL**- 39 The Nook, single and 2-storey extension: This seems to represent over-development of a restricted site.
- 2022/0529/MAF**- Land s/o Melton Rd: ecology/biodiversity and wind tunnel results: The previous comments stand. The problems anticipated with wind turbulence are expected to be worst with heavy summer foliage and the Parish Council feels the BRE tests have not adequately considered this aspect.
- The Parish Council has noted anomalies between the soil/agricultural report (Land Research Assoc.) finding, the Flood Risk assessment (BWB) and Severn Trent Water's comments. The soil report in the Agricultural report characterises the site as impermeable however the flood design relies on SUDS including percolating rainwater systems; it even suggests "ground levels should be profiled to encourage pluvial run off" away from the development. Severn Trent do not seem to understand the land is impermeable and encourages use of soakaways but have also noted use of the sewerage system may pose problems. It is anticipated, by the Parish Council, that surface water overflow from the site may increase and exacerbate village centre flooding.
- 2022/1129/PTA** – 3 Stapleford Rd: pollard poplar and sycamore (PTO's): No comments.
- b. Planning updates received:
- 2022/0250/MAF**- Whissendine Lodge, Melton Rd: agri. building changes, permission granted by RCC.
- 2022/0974/FUL** – 15 Foxhill: extensions. Permission granted by RCC

**13617** The Banks and Village Green:

- a To consider purchase of anti-bird spikes for saucer ride and contracting a person to apply them, and refix above swings: Purchase AGREED.
- b To receive update on provision of bench in play area: The bench was fixed on 31 October 2022 and the invoice is included in the bundle at item 13619b below.
- c To consider any other issues - None

**13618** Highways and village maintenance, any matters for report and to agree any necessary action: None

**13619** Financial Business:

- a To receive the financial report to 31 October 2022: There is £25599.63 available in the Current Account as of 1 November to fund expenditure decisions to the end of March 2023. £8 will be withdrawn on 11 November for bank charges. The copy of the bank statement was signed by the Chairman.
- b To consider invoices received since 4 October 2022 and approve payments, as appropriate:

RCC Street Lighting (supplementary cost)	£ 318.11
Banks Maintenance (Oct)	£ 285.48
RCC Litter bin Cow Ln	£ 120.00
Hardware and installation of sml bench	£ 90.00
Village Caretaking (September 2022)	£ 80.00
- c To consider request from Whissendine Env. Group for £200 grant: Grant APPROVED
- d To consider request from Whissendine Craft & Produce Show organisers for £150 grant: Grant APPROVED.
- e To consider grant to Trent Rivers Trust, at request of Ward Councillor: Not at this time.

**13620** To receive feedback on setting up CIL T&F Group. The ToR are ready and attendees are being recruited.

**13621** To consider whether a 'needs assessment' should be completed in the village in relation to fuel poverty, to discover the potential need for 'warm space' or other provision. The tea-session only had 4 attendees in October so there is no obvious need.

**13622** To confirm arrangements for this year's Christmas Tree. It was AGREED a tree will be ordered for the Village Green.

**13623** To consider whether any village celebration of the coronation of King Charles III should be pursued. Deferred to next agenda.

**13624** Ongoing business not scheduled elsewhere on the agenda:

- a Mr and Mrs Read have been supplied with a copy of RCC's DoT funding-application for cycleways, which outlines their priorities.
- b Attendance at the RCC Parish Forum in December was discussed, Dr East agreed to attend.
- c RCC has advised that 'Road Liable to Flooding' signs are to be provided to Main St & Cow Lane.
- d The Trent Rivers Trust have a virtual meeting scheduled that Mrs Moss will attend.
- e The Neighbourhood Plan has completed its RCC screening and next steps are being agreed. Next meeting of the Steering Group is Monday 21 November 2022.
- f The LRALC training invitation, on budget setting, had been circulated.

**13625** To acknowledge correspondence received:

6/11/2022 Letter from WGNS to advise they were joint winners of L&R Rural Communities Council award for 'Connecting People'.

Meeting closed 20.33hrs

Next meeting 5 December 2022.