

## WHISSENDINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 6 February 2023**  
**7.15 pm**, held in the Village Hall, Whissendine.

**Present.**

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

**In attendance**

Also in attendance

Dr S Lammin (Parish Clerk)  
2 (two) residents from Walton Close, 1 (one) from Harborough Close, and 3 (three) from Stanilands.

Meeting started 19.15 hrs.

**13651** To take any questions or comments from the public: All six spoke, all had comments to offer on 13656 below, in relation to **2022/1461/MAO**: Outline Planning Application for up to 73 no. dwellings (All Matters Reserved). Land off Stapleford Rd, Whissendine. The Councillors noted the comments for their subsequent debate.

**13652** Apologies for absence: Mrs L Arnold, also the Ward Councillor had another meeting,

**13653** Declaration of any pecuniary interest in any matter on the agenda: None

**13654** To approve minutes of the meetings held on 2 and 24 January 2023: 2 January 2023 minutes: Proposed by Mrs Moss, seconded by Mr Buckley the minutes were AGREED and signed by the Chairman., Extraordinary meeting 24 January 2023: Proposed by Mrs Moss and seconded by Mr Hatton the minutes were AGREED and duly signed by the Chairman.

**13655** a. Reports of meetings attended by Parish Councillors: Mr Thomas attended a CPRE meeting, various topics. Looking for Rutland CPRE branch to be created. Nuclear reactors being considered for UK power source in future.

b. Report from Mrs Rosemary Powell, Rutland County Councillor centred on the planned closure of Catmose Sports Centre on 31 March 2023.

**13656** Planning matters

- a. To consider feedback on progress of the Neighbourhood Plan consultation (6 December 2022 to 31 January 2023) and seek approval both for any amendments included as a result and for progressing to final adoption. KT reported: Minor changes to the plan are being proposed as a result of feedback.
- b. To consider plans received between 3 January and 6 February 2023 (where comments may still be submitted), including:

**2022/1461/MAO**: Outline Planning Application for up to 73 no. dwellings (All Matters Reserved). Land off Stapleford Rd, Whissendine. This was carefully debated and points were raised regarding: 1. Disproportionate scale of the development, 2. Ability of the village infrastructure to cope, 3. Traffic safety, 4. Likely impact on local flooding, 5. Conditions on site, 6. Site access (Stapleford Rd), 7. Cycle and pedestrian safety (unavailability of Walton Close as a through route), and 8. Potential impact on a working windmill. The Clerk is to paraphrase and group the comments and submit to RCC by the consultation deadline.

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**2022/01292/FUL** Erection 4No. poultry sheds and assoc, infrastructure Stygate Lane, Pickwell (Melton Borough application). This application was considered and concern was raised about increased flood-risk. The village is immediately downstream and the proposal involves discharge of surface water at a rate of 5 litres per second into the stream that flows into Whissendine Brook. The Clerk is to outline and evidence the Parish Council's concerns and submit them to Melton Borough Council as soon as possible.

- c. Planning updates: None.

Mr Thomas left the meeting (for a prearranged telecon.)

- d. To consider the potential allocation of all sites coming forward, within the parish, in the emerging Local Plan and consider any comments to be fed back to RCC: Sites considered were:

**Site 2536** Land at Ashwell Rd (south of Foxhill):

**Site 135** Land east of Ashwell Rd.

**Site 3631** Land north of Stapleford Rd.

**Site 22** Land off Stapleford Road (west side).

**Site 85** South of Melton Road.

**Site ?85** Corner of Oakham Road and Pickwell Lane (south of Mill Grove).

#### **13657** The Banks

- a. To confirm progress of location of a time-capsule within the area of The Banks, in celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee. Capsule now buried.  
b. Any other issues

It was AGREED new turf to be procured for teen shelter edge in Spring.

#### **13658** Highways and village maintenance matters for report and to agree any necessary action: None

#### **13659** Financial Business

- a. To receive the details of expenditure and receipts up to 31 January 2023: As of 31 January 2023 there was £21798.68 in the current account. This included £2099.99 from VAT rebate. On 31 January an additional £21.01 was paid in but that cheque had yet to clear (it has been included on the monthly spreadsheet). On 20 February 2023 bank charges of £8.00 will be withdrawn.

- b. To consider invoices received in January and approve payments, as appropriate:

RCC Q3 Payroll	£ 2192.23
Long Clawson Charity Vouchers (net nil)	£ 2390.00
VH Room bookings	£ 112.00
Neighbourhood Plan professional support	£ 1575.00
Internal audit 2022/23 invoice	£ 260.00
Village Caretaking	£ 95.00
These invoices were AGREED.	

- c. To consider feedback from the CIL Task and Finish Group regarding recommendations for future CIL (and CIL compensation) expenditure: JB reported on CIL T&F group meeting 13/1/2023. The Group recommends CIL is used to support change of VH heating to IR in the short term. In the longer term it recommends using CIL to support development of a new Sports Hall. Any grant to the Sports Club subject to them completing necessary administrative/legal tasks. This was AGREED

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- d. To confirm the monies spent to date in 2022/3 under s137 of the Local Government Act 1972 and the spending limit for the year: The s137 spending limit for 2022-3 is £9119.88. The amount spent to date under s137 is £579.07.

**13660** To agree the agenda for the Village meeting 15 March 2023: This was AGREED and the Clerk will publish the agenda on 7 February 2023.

**13661** On-going business not scheduled elsewhere on agenda:

- a. The Village Hall committee requested financial support for an event to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III: £500. £500 was AGREED and payment will be confirmed at the March meeting.

**13662** Correspondence

11/1/23 letter from Alicia Kearns re Defibrillator Investment Fund

13/1/23 letter from RCC statement of CIL Account.

14/1/23 email MH (NP response) raising issues of 'flooding' and 'road safety'

31/1/23 email from VH Mgt Cttee re grant request for Coronation event.

21.15 hours meeting closed