

# COLLINGHAM *Parish Council*

## MINUTES OF THE COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 7:15pm on 25 JANUARY 2018 at the Youth & Community Centre, Low Street, Collingham

Present: Councillors: C Allen, J Davies, M Davies (Chair), R Hatton, J Guest, L Marshall,  
T Musson, R Scott and V Wright  
District and County Councillor Mrs Dobson

Clerk: C Ballantyne

In Attendance: 9 Members of the public

**Action by:**

### 1 **Public Forum**

Request for more information on the closure of the footpaths proposed by Network Rail. This was poorly advertised and not enough people knew about it. Concerns raised about the amount of dog fouling which is occurring currently in the village. This is causing issues to many people within the village. The Parish Council has a number of posters which can be put up in particular areas of concern (if requested). This will be added to a future agenda for further discussion.

4 chaps in hi vis have been seen on the land at the Oaklands/Dykes End. Query as to whether this means that there is something happening with this development proposal. Cllr Mrs Dobson advised not  
Royal Oak pub – Query raised as to whether it would be possible for the co-op to paint the pub as it is looking untidy. Cllr Allen is meeting with LCS next week and will ask

Would it be possible to plant more trees in the village to try and combat the increase in CO<sup>2</sup> omissions. The new development at Braemar Farm already includes planting (at the end of the development work)

Member of the Skate Park Group asked for the support of the Parish Council in the proposals that have been designed, consulted and recommended by the Skate Park Advisory Group. This will be discussed as per the agenda  
Concern about the parking on Swinderby Road close to the junction with High Street extending back for a significant distance which is causing issues for residents accessing/egressing their properties. Cllr Dobson advised that there are double yellow lines proposed for the junctions of High Street/Swinderby Road and High Street/Woodhill Road later in the year, there is no specific date for this work at the moment.

### 2 **To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies from Councillor Barrie accepted

### 3 **To receive any declarations of interest**

Cllr Guest declared an interest in item 9 as a member of the steering group

### 4 **To receive and approve the Minutes:** of the Parish Council Meeting of 14 December 2017, previously circulated to members. These were agreed unanimously as a true record and signed by the Chair.

## 5 To receive reports from County and District Councillors

### ***Cllr Mrs Dobson***

The weight restriction is to be made permanent and just awaiting the legal orders. This can then be enforced. Signs are in the wrong position, but this will get sorted in time.

Double yellow lines mentioned in the public forum will be done this financial year.

Work at Potterhill/A46 junction by Highways England is now programmed for March.

Whitemoor Lane Junction with A1133, the new BT broadband box which is causing a visibility issue is being reviewed by NCC and BT

Enforcement Brough – ongoing

Enforcement Village Centre, shop units - ongoing

## 6 Finance

### a) To Formally Note Items of Receipt for the Month:

<b>Receipts</b>			<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>
Burial Ground	Cemetery Fees	£310.00	Nil	£310.00
HMRC	VAT refund	£813.41	Nil	£813.41
NCC (Via)	Grass Cutting Grant	£1221.00	Nil	£1221.00
NS&I	Annual Interest	£353.61	Nil	£353.61

All income noted

Resolved that the interest on the NS&I account be transferred to the current account

### b) To approve Items for Payment for the Month to be paid by BACS

<b>Payments</b>			<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>
AEB Landscapes	Community Park Inspections	£140.00	Nil	£140.00
NALC	Annual Subscription	£460.42	Nil	£460.42
Clerk	Expenses	£130.33	£10.00	£140.33

All expenditure approved unanimously

### c) Bank Reconciliation for the year to date – signed by Cllrs Wright and Allen and circulated previously, noted

## 7 Planning

### a) Applications for consideration

17/02279/FUL	Brough Lane, Coltons Farmhouse	The conversion of the rear north out-buildings into a home gym, a home cinema / television room and a wine store. – SUPPORTED unanimously
17/02280/LBC	Brough Lane, Coltons Farmhouse	The conversion of the rear north out-buildings into a home gym, a home cinema / television room and a wine store. – SUPPORTED unanimously
17/02168/FUL	Windsor Close, Garage Site off	Regulation 3 Application; Demolition of existing garages and development of 2x 2-bed dwellings and 2x 3-bed dwellings. – SUPPORTED by majority 8/1
18/00066/FUL	Dykes End (21), Pinfold	Application to erect a garden room and replace the existing car port/lean to – SUPPORTED unanimously

18/00067/FUL	Cottage Lane (23), The White House	Application for first floor residential extension above existing ground floor garage, utility room, wc and store – SUPPORTED unanimously
18/00109/FUL	Fosse Road, Holly House	Application for front porch extension and internal alterations – SUPPORTED unanimously
ES/3579	Langford Quarry	Proposed Southern and Western extensions to existing quarry with restoration to water, nature conservation and agriculture together with revised restoration of existing workings and retention of existing plant site and site access – SUPPORTED unanimously

b) **Applications Determined**

17/01796/LBC	Low Street (20)	Permitted
17/02005/FUL	Lunn Lane (6)	Refused
17/02194/TWCA	Church Street (1), The Small house	No Objections
17/02178/FUL	Queen Street (9), The Saddlery	Permitted
17/02299/ELE	Cross Lane, Underground Cables	Permitted
17/0603/OUT	Former Produce World site, Swinderby	Permitted

All decisions noted

**8 Best Kept Village**

To consider “Adopt your Station” run by East Midlands Trains. Comments are regularly received about the poor look of the station, this could be tied with the November commemoration as this was used by troops leaving for the front. Usage of the Collingham station has gone up by 27% in the last year. Resolved unanimously that Cllr Scott would take this forward and complete the necessary forms/apply for suitable grants

Clerk and Cllr Scott

**9 Skate Park**

- a) To consider the proposed design selected by the Advisory Group to be taken forward. The proposed designs to be taken forward were from Wheelscape and Freestyle, these were the 2 highest requested from the consultations carried out in the community. The designs encourage inclusivity for all ages and abilities. Resolved unanimously to support the preferred design. Cllr Marshall suggested that advice be sought from a structural engineer about construction of the final design to ensure design life is as long as possible, everyone agreed. Skate Park Group
- b) To review current position with funding obtained to date and consider further funding required, including request for letter of support. Resolved to support the project up to a maximum of £40,000. Letter of support to be sent. Clerk

**10 Assets**

- a) To consider remainder of Tree Survey undertaken by Councillors and consider any actions required. No actions identified by Cllr Guest. Cllrs Barrie and Marshall still to carry out their surveys Cllrs Barrie & Marshall
- b) To consider tenders for previously identified tree works. Resolved unanimously that Taylors Trees be awarded the contract Clerk

- c) To consider tenders for Ground Maintenance. Resolved unanimously that AEB be awarded the contract for 1 year initially, with the possibility to be extended to 3 years following performance reviews. Clerk

## 11 Precept

- a) To consider the budget proposal and to agree the precept for the year ending 31 March 2019. Other authorities will be increasing their precept. Resolved unanimously that an increase of 1.5% would be requested for the year. Clerk

## 12 Correspondence

- a) Consultation - Consultation on remote control parking and motorway assist, noted
- b) NALC – Diversity Pledge, noted, individual councillors to respond to the survey Cllrs
- c) Canal and River Trust – Your Waterways, noted
- d) Pelican Trust, noted, may be considered for future projects
- e) Highways England Strategic Road Network Consultation, noted
- f) Citizens Advice – Sherwood and Newark, request for funding. Resolved unanimously not to support. Clerk

## 13 Fleet article for March – Cllrs Musson & M Davies to write this

## 14 Clerks Report – to be included in minutes Agenda Item

- Public Space Protection Orders for Dog Control for Cemeteries and Pitomy Farm Play area (once adopted) – still to be progressed **167f**
- Local Council Award Scheme - Press release and letters issued noting this achievement **192a**
- NCC New Minerals Local Plan consultation – responded to **203c**
- NSDC planning training – places booked for Cllrs Scott and M.Davies **203e**
- Tree survey – actions required. Tenders issued for work and on January agenda to consider award **205a**
- Contract awarded to J Warrington, insurance certificate requested and received **205b**
- South End Phone Box – consultation with local residents still to be undertaken **205c**
- Baby & Toddler Group – advised of grant award, including additional carriage. Parish Council has placed order for equipment. Invoice sent to Baby and Toddler Group (remainder to be covered by grant) **206**
- Permissive Rights of Way – contacted NCC to ascertain way forward, awaiting response **207a&b**

### Other items

- All planning consultations responded to
- Issues with Facebook have been resolved with the creation of a new community account, this is now linking correctly with the website publishing

### Reports to NCC

FS63530626	Footway	Stocks Hill (Low Street to Church Street)
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## Reports to NSDC

406243	Road Sweep	Low Street – Church Lane to Temperance Lane (footway and carriageway)
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### **R Scott**

190g – Nottinghamshire County Council, Review of the Guidance Note on the Validation of Planning Applications – speak to Mike Hankin to check up on some elements of this. All queries now resolved.

**CASTLE LINE NOTTINGHAM TO LINCOLN:** In 2016/17 there were 102,974 journeys from Collingham Station, an increase of 27.55% from the previous year. (In 2005/06 when a campaign was started to increase the use of Collingham Station the figure was just over 23,000).

The Stakeholder Board of the Castle Line continues to meet and to plan for improvements to the line. The next meeting will be after April 2018, after the issue of the franchise document.

Network Rail presented its proposed changes to level crossings at the YCC on December 19. As some residents could not attend or missed the notices on noticeboards, website and Facebook, the Parish Clerk obtained permission to put the proposals on the website. This wider consultation was closed on January 20<sup>th</sup> and the information removed from the website.

**COMMEMORATION OF NOVEMBER 1918:** Meetings have taken place with CDLHS regarding their plans for November 2018. There is a meeting with U3A group leaders on January 31 to which I have been invited.

Helen Pielichaty and Celia Finch have agreed to be members of the co-ordinating group.

Contact will be made with all voluntary groups, by email, to encourage participation in the Commemoration if groups so wish.

### **C Allen**

191c – Condition assessment of the War Memorial – weather currently unsuitable, will be undertaken as soon as weather improves

### **R Hatton**

Dog poo has been raised as an issue by a number of residents.

Points to note:

Any public litter bin can be used for the disposal of dog poo as long as it has been bagged first.

If the deposit is made at regular times of the day, this can be reported to NSDC dog warden who will try and catch this happening and take appropriate enforcement action

Posters are available from the Parish Council for fixing to lighting columns or fences etc (with owners permission) stating fines

This problem always becomes more of an issue in the winter (darker) months

### **M Davies**

Fly tipping of tyres on Potter Hill – reported to NSDC and removed very soon after.

Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting 10/01/18. PSCO Katie Hyde gave a crime report for our area. It appears that crime is down considerably as is most rural crime – (poaching, hare-coursing, deer theft for meat and farm vehicles). In Collingham, only 35 incidents were reported in the last 3 months – 3 handbag

thefts, several thefts from exterior post boxes, 2 abandoned vehicles. Exterior post boxes have been used to steal identities (£25,000 stolen). This year Notts Police intend to recruit 74 PC's including 36 PCSO's for the whole county. Hopefully some officers will filter down to our area. It appears that several thefts and incidents from farms and the rural community have not been reported because of fears of intimidation and violence, which is not uncommon. Collingham is to host the next SNG meeting in April.

The meeting closed at 20:50pm

**Abbreviations:**

**NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council/Councillor**

**NSDC – Newark & Sherwood District Council/Councillor**

**LCS – Lincolnshire Cooperative Society**

**PRoW – Public Right of Way**

**Y&CC – Youth & Community Centre**

**CDHS – Collingham & District History Society**

**PPG – Patient Participation Group**