

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday July 11th 2018 at 5.30pm.

PRESENT Councillors Mrs Hurst (Chairman), Ms White (Vice Chairman) Allen, Green, Mrs Lee, Major Mortimore, Mrs Newstead, Newstead, Owen, Rouse, Scott and Walker

with District Cllrs Lee and Payne and the Clerk.

4006 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Brooks and County Cllrs Girling and Wallace

4007 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Walker, as a serving member of Nottinghamshire County Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the County Council. Cllrs Mrs Hurst and Walker, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council.

4008 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

4009 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on May 30th 2018, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

4010 **Clerk/Chairman's Update**

An update of ongoing matters from the minutes of the previous Council meeting and subsequent committee meetings was circulated and noted. Updates circulated prior to each committee meeting had been included with the minutes. The following issues were discussed from the update:

- a) Council Meeting
- b) Planning
- c) Amenities

1. Re Minute 3054 Fishing Cllrs Mrs Hurst and Scott had both received calls from an irate fisherman about banning designated Carp angling at the Lake. Any such enquiries should be referred to the Grove Angling Club.

- d) Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

1. Re Minute 6109.1 Boundary Review Cllr Walker provided copies of a satellite map showing the proposed changes to Balderton's boundaries. Despite this Council's well recorded objections, the Working Party had not found in Balderton's favour but this issue is still to be discussed by the Full District Council on Tuesday July 17th 2018. The District Councillors were asked to be as supportive as possible in fighting this issue.

2. Re Minute 6109.2 Defibrillator The Clerk was asked to write to the authority and enquire how the estimated figure of £1000 had been calculated to install a unit at the Library on Main Street.

4011 **Committees**

The minutes of the following committees were then approved, confirmed as a true record and signed:

Planning

Amenities

Finance and General Purposes

4012 **Financial Statements**

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being payment requirements of £32,766.61 for May and £23,056.01 for June 2018. It was clarified that payment number 51 for £2625.60 refers to refurbishment of the *old cricket score box building* and not the new facility.

4013 **Reports from Representatives**

District Cllr Payne advised that the two planning appeals for the Highfields School development are scheduled for September 18th and 19th 2018. He suggested that a joint presentation approach with Newark Town Council would be preferable to save duplication of objections to the Inspector.

District Cllr Lee reported that the District Council is undertaking a review of litter bin provision and if there are any known areas of particular concern in Balderton please report these to him.

Cllr Ms White reported that she had attended Newark Academy's presentation evening and suggested that the Council write to the pupils concerned to congratulate them. Members agreed to this and the Clerk was asked to enquire with the school regarding providing contact details.

Cllr Scott reported that there is a lighting problem on the top floor of Manthorpe House; District Cllr Lee advised that he is dealing with this issue.

4014 **Clerk's Additional Information**

The following items of correspondence/information have been received and were noted:

- a) Notice that Balderton has not progressed to the second round of the Best Kept Village Competition despite judges favourable comments, particularly about Council maintained areas and facilities.
- b) A complaint about persistent dog fouling incidents in the Mount Road Cemetery. The District Dog Warden will be asked to pay attention to the area where possible and advisory signage improvements will be considered.

4015 **Future Agenda Items**

Cllr Newstead asked whether the Council could provide a village 'open' noticeboard that organisations could use to promote local community events and information? This was referred to the Amenities Committee for consideration.

The meeting closed at approximately 6.15pm.