

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday November 7th 2018 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Councillors Mrs Hurst (Chairman), Ms White (Vice Chairman) Mrs Brooks, Green, Mrs Lee, Mrs Newstead, Newstead, Owen, Rouse, Scott and Walker
with two parishioners and the Clerk.

4026 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Allen, County Cllr Wallace, District Cllrs Lee and Payne.

4027 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 Brooks, Mrs Hurst and Walker, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council.

4028 Public Participation

No-one present wished to make any comments.

4029 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on September 26th 2018, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

4030 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

1. **Re Minute 4023 Christmas Tree Park** County Cllr Wallace had informed the Clerk that the Council's enquiry regarding the possible creation of a small park area to the front of the Grove site had been submitted to the authority. He had not, to date received a response.

b) Café Working Party 24/09/18 & 29/10/18

c) Council Review

d) Amenities

- 1. Re Minute 3078 Village Open Notice Board** Cllr Walker advised that the ‘open’ notice boards in Collingham are subject to misuse and vandalism, people rarely remove out of date notices and often cover current posters up. He did not consider that such a notice board would work well in Balderton.

e) Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

- 1. Re Minute 6133 Free Resource** It was,

AGREED that in pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council approves the payments of

£600 to Chuter Ede Primary School
£300 to Baldertots

this being expenditure incurred in the interest of the parish or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

4031 **Committees**

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

Café Working Party 24/09/18 and 29/10/18

Council Review

Amenities

Finance and General Purposes

4032 **World War I Memorial**

Members gave further discussion to providing a memorial to mark one hundred years since the end of World War I (WWI). Options include specialised benches with WWI symbols incorporated into their design – these could have plaques engraved with the names of the Balderton soldiers who lost their lives. A possible site for a memorial item is the ‘Christmas Tree Park’ if the Council is successful with this. A stain glass window incorporating a suitable design was also considered; both St. Giles and the Methodist Churches will be approached to gauge response regarding the possibility/desirability of such a project.

4033 **Financial Statements**

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being a total payment requirement of £27,448.83 for September 2018.

4034 **Reports from Representatives**

Cllr Walker advised that the long awaited resurfacing of Hawton Lane has now been completed. Works to the hazardous junction at Staple Lane/London Road will be included in a future County Council programme, but this is only likely to be improved signage. The authority considers that little can be done to really ease the situation there until the Southern Link Road is completed, so efforts will be made to progress with the new road. He also

advised that the District Council Planning Committee is scheduled to consider new financial information submitted about the two applications for residential development at Highfields School and that this could have a bearing on the pending appeal process.

4035 Clerk's Additional Information

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

- a) Notice that a planned road closure for Coddington Road between Fen Lane and Vicarage Gardens has been postponed; a revised date has not yet been received.
- b) A reminder about the seriousness of data breaches by Councillors and the potential implications for local Councils.
- c) An information pack from the District Council regarding the Cleaner Safer & Greener campaign incorporating an audit request of open spaces and community facilities.

4036 Future Agenda Items

No future agendas items were raised.

The meeting closed at approximately 7.25pm.