# MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 28 NOVEMBER 2013 AT THE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE, LOW STREET, COLLINGHAM

In the public forum, a resident asked about the land adjoining the Community Park. Mrs Scott explained that a Local Improvement Scheme grant has been awarded and work should start next year to clear the area. It is to be turned into a practice strip for training at the Football Club as well as providing their ground with a second emergency exit. The same resident asked whether the Parish Council needed to purchase 71 High Street in view of the business rates and maintenance liability and suggested the amenity land for sale on Low Street would be a better investment. Mrs Wright advised that information had come to light that day regarding the terms and conditions of the sale and that the matter would be discussed later on the agenda.

Another resident spoke about the Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan Preferred Approach Consultation and the effect it would have on residents of Carlton Ferry Lane and the effect of previous quarrying. Mrs Dobson will arrange a meeting with the concerned residents and LaFarge/Tarmac.

# 1. Apologies for absence

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#### **Present**

C Allen D Evans G Norcott C Moody T Ozbourne M Parkin R Scott (Chair) V Wright NSDC M Shaw NCC M Dobson J Guest, Clerk

### 2. Declarations of Interest:

- (a) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- (b) To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature

Mrs Scott declared an interest in item 15 on the agenda.

**3. Minutes:** the minutes of the meeting of 24 October 2013 were accepted, proposed by Mr Allen, seconded by Mr Ozbourne and agreed unanimously by those present at that meeting.

## 4. Progress reports: (for information)

- (i) Charitable Trusts there will be Land Registry charges involved and the advantages and disadvantages need to be considered for each property. Further work is needed.
- (ii) Police Coverage in Collingham the reply from Paddy Tipping, Nottinghamshire Crime Commissioner was discussed. It was agreed that it was unsatisfactory and that a further letter would be sent asking how much time the Beat Team had spent in Collingham in 2013 and why PCSO's have to be shared.
- (iii) Advent, Light and Carols on 1 December. Collingham Singers, Preschool and John Blow Primary School will be singing and the Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue Band playing. Refreshment stalls are being provided by the Tennis Club and Football Club. The Co-op has donated £30 and Asda £10. Member of the Fire Crew had put the lights up with Rob Townsends's help. Stella Herbert is providing First Aid cover. Help is still required on the day.

#### 5. Income and Expenditure

Best4Pests	Work at Burial Ground	£90.00	£0.00	£90.00
Collingham	Room Hire for Community Park	£30.00	£0.00	£30.00
Memorial Hall	Consultation 19 October 2013			
D Lyne	Weeding and mulching of holly	£40.00	£8.00	£48.00
	hedge at Burial Ground			
Oliver Fabian *	Decorating toilets and rear	£576.93	£0.00	£576.93
	hallway at Youth and			
	Community Centre			
AEB Landscapes	Community Park inspection and	£126.75	£0.00	£126.75
and Equestrian	repair October 2013			
Land Registry	Fee to register Deed of	£40.00	£0.00	£40.00
	Dedication of Community Park			

<sup>\*</sup> This payment will be reimbursed by the Derbyshire Environmental Trust.

The above payments were approved, proposed by Mr Ozbourne, seconded by Mr Allen and agreed unanimously.

**6. Letter from Notts CC Social Services regarding Mr L Duffy** – to agree the Parish Council's response to the letter dated 11 November 2013. A reply will be sent pointing out the inaccuracies in the letter received and that the Parish Council has never paid other volunteers.

#### 7. Correspondence

Letter received from the developer of Pitomy Farm regarding street naming and information from NSDC. The developer's choice of names is different to the Parish Council's preferences previously given to NSDC.

Email from local business owner about Superfast Broadband in Collingham – this is supported and has been circulated to as many people as possible.

Email advising of revised Standing Orders received from National Association of Local Councils – Mrs Scott, Mrs Moody and Mr Ozbourne will look into the new Standing Orders and this will be an agenda item at the Full Council meeting in January.

Letter from NSDC inviting nominations for Citizen of the Year and invitation to the awards dinner- no nominations are to be made. If any Councillor wishes to attend the dinner they need to advise the Clerk.

Email from resident regarding parking on Swinderby Road – this will be discussed at the Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting on 2 December. Mrs Dobson advised that Notts CC Highways Department is also looking into this issue.

Email from resident regarding a support for a new Youth Centre in Collingham – this will be discussed under item 11 on the agenda. The email will also be sent to Mrs Dobson.

Letter from John Blow Primary School requesting zebra crossing – this has also been received by Mrs Dobson who advised that she has visited John Blow Primary School. There will not be a zebra crossing but Mrs Dobson has requested a lollipop lady. She has also requested a weight restriction and deregulation of the A1133.

Letter from resident about Village Centre - a reply will be sent to say that repairs to the car park are only being made temporarily, due to the proposed Lincolnshire Co-op development.

**7. Community Park** – The Consultation on 21 November was a success with lots of votes cast and support. Mrs Scott and Mr Evans have attended a Wren grant seminar; the grant application is to be

made in the first quarter of next year. Comments from the ballot slips are being collated. The next meeting of the Community Park committee is on 13 January to consider the designs further.

- **8. Nottinghamshire County Council Budget Consultation: The Budget Challenge** Some Youth Clubs will have to fund raise or be run by volunteer youth workers as all departments at Notts CC have to reduce their spending by 30%. Notts CC want local communities to take library services forward. Mrs Dobson advised that it is important for all individuals to reply, Notts CC do want to know what is needed. It was noted that Newark Library would be closed for 3 months next year with only Balderton and Southwell having extended opening hours. Mrs Dobson will contact the Library service about extended hours for Collingham.
- **9. Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan Preferred Approach Consultation** It was felt that the plans have no effect on Collingham and therefore it was agreed that comments did not need to be submitted.
- **10. Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan –** This does not affect Collingham, no comments will be made.
- **10. Contracts Review** One contract needs to be reviewed for grass cutting in the parish. Three companies will be contacted and asked to quote. Those suggested were D Lyne, Wainwright Forestry, Fuller Forestry and Roger Barker.
- **11. Shelter for younger members of the Community** to agree what help and support can be given following the request for a shelter received from younger residents. No response has been received from the parents to the request for news of progress. It has been heard that a shelter is being built on private land on Low Street; the Parish Council would be unable to be involved in this. PCSO Harriet Samson-Bailey has advised that obscene graffiti and damage to the two benches at the Cross Site have been reported and crime numbers obtained.
- **12.** Request from resident for more dog bins it was felt that more dog bins would not necessarily stop the problem of inconsiderate dog owners allowing their dogs to foul pathways. This will be reviewed at the setting of the precept for 2014/15.
- **13.** Request from Hough on the Hill Parish Council to object to South Kesteven District Council to application for a wind turbine close to their Parish the Parish Council agreed it had no comments to make on this application.
- **14. Purchase of sandbags** –following notification that NSDC will not supply sandbags this year, the Parish Council agreed it would not purchase its own supply and it has to be the responsibility of individual residents to protect their own property. A letter advising this would be sent to those residents. NSDC will be contacted to see if preferential rates can be obtained by these residents if they decide to buy their own sandbags.
- 15. Progress of sale of field at Village Centre and to agree a decision on the purchase of 71 High Street an email from Payne and Gamage was read out; a completion date for the sale of the field is expected shortly. Mrs Scott left the meeting. It appeared that 71 High Street was being sold on a leasehold basis and it was unanimously resolved that the offer previously made did not stand for a leasehold property. This would be communicated to Banks Long. Mrs Scott returned to the meeting.

- **16. Nottinghamshire County Council Local Bus Service Consultation** Collingham is only affected by the cancellation of the evening service after 6.30pm on Thursday to Saturday. As this service has not been supported the Parish Council will not make any comment.
- **17.** Nottinghamshire County Council Proposed Future Model and Use of Resources Policy This consultation relates to social care. Village Care will be looking at this and will be asked to produce a report for the Parish Council.

# 18. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas

Mrs Parkin has been appointed a trustee of Newark General Municipal Charity. A streetlight on Station Road is not working, the Clerk will report it.

Mr Evans reported that the Men in Sheds launch is on 6 December.

Mr Shaw reminded the meeting about the Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting at 6.30pm on 2 December at the Jubilee Room.

Mr Allen asked what could be done about business posters on noticeboards. A request will be in the next issue of 'The Fleet' explaining how the noticeboards operate.

Mrs Scott reported from the Emergency Committee that Weather Wardens have been appointed around the village, to be eyes and ears for the Parish Council in times of bad weather.

An invitation to the Citizens Advice Bureau AGM has been received; please advise the Clerk if you wish to attend.

A large pothole in the Village Centre car park has been reported to Banks Long and the Medical Centre. Mrs Scott and the Clerk have placed cones and tape across the damaged area. A resident had hit the hole with a new car and was concerned about damage to the vehicle.

Christmas cards designed by the pupils at John Blow Primary will be sent out to the Parish Council this year. A cheque for £750 has been donated to the Community Park improvements. This was raised at the recent bonfire and firework display organised by the Collingham Fire Crew, Jerome Wright and Sandie Andrew.

The meeting closed at 9.08pm 1 member of the public present 0 members of the press present