

# **Approved Minutes of the Meeting of Aslockton Parish Council held in the Thomas Cranmer Centre, Aslockton, Nottinghamshire on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

**Present:** Cllrs M. Barker (Chair), K.Auckland, M.Lowth, A.Crowley

**Also present:** 3 members of the public

## **15.087 Apologies**

Cllr C.Haslam; M.Rogers (clerk).

In the absence of the clerk, Cllr Auckland offered to take the minutes of the meeting.

## **15.088 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Auckland – application 14/01393/OUT Cliffhill Lane up to 50 dwellings

## **15.089 Public Meeting**

Mrs Fiona Barker brought to the Councils attention the sign above the Nail Bar. The Chair will contact the owner to clarify with her that permission is needed for any signage in a Conservation Area.

## **15.090 Adoption of last month's minutes**

APC resolved to adopt the minutes. They were signed off accordingly by the Chairman.

## **15.091 Planning**

### **S15/0862/EIAFP Sewstern Lane, Long Bennington – erection of six wind turbines**

- APC has been consulted due to being within 10km of the site. APC resolved to object on the grounds of the massive detrimental affect to the village amenities and also on the setting in the historic Vale of Belvoir. Proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Crowley.

### **14/01393/OUT outline application for up to 50 dwellings Cliffhill Lane**

- Decision by Rushcliffe Borough Council expected within the next two weeks. It was noted that letters had been sent to adjacent properties advising of further information on the application, and a new Notice had been posted on a lamppost near the site. The Chair spoke to the case Officer Gareth Elliott – there has been a slight change in the site boundary and accordingly they have extended the consultation time, although APC were not notified.

### **14/0480/OUT outline application for up to 75 dwellings South of Abbey Lane**

- Following the archaeological find in Cliffhill Lane it was resolved to contact Ursilla Spence (Archaeological Officer for NCC) to question if this now warrants test trenches at the Abbey Lane site.

### **Potential development to the north side of Abbey Lane**

- The Chair spoke to Landmark Planning – the application has been submitted. Rushcliffe Borough Council confirmed this, but as yet it is not validated.
- APC will prepare a newsletter – once the application is validated and a date fixed for a Public Meeting – the newsletter will be delivered to every house within Aslockton.

The following was noted:

- **15/00510/FUL and 15/00511/LBC** – demolition and rebuild of rear wing – Old Greyhound, Main Street. **Permission granted**

### **15.092 Clerk Report**

The report was received and noted by councillors.

- Following receipt of notice to terminate tenancy of Plot 18a & b on the allotments, it was resolved to now offer this plot to the tenant of Plot 1 as requested.
- Cllr Lowth informed the Council that she had attended a meeting about the buses on June 1<sup>st</sup> – although subject to minor alterations, the new service is confirmed as one direct to Nottingham via the villages on an hourly basis (as now), and the other one being the Rushcliffe Main Line Service from Bingham to Nottingham incorporating Radcliffe and West Bridgford.

### **15.093 Co-option process to fill the two councillor vacancies**

- The Clerk has been contacted by six residents – Mrs Julie Brown, Mr Richard Sharp, Mr Brian Crawford, Mr David Bastable, Mr Brian Marshall and Mr Ken Hunter. The Clerk will contact Mary Marsh to book the TCC's small meeting room - the preferred day being a Monday – and also contact all the applicants to advise them of the number of candidates; the subsequent need for informal interviews; and to ask them to confirm their wish to apply.

### **15.094 Footpath and verges**

Three councillors and the clerk attended a meeting with Ms Jane Baines (NCC Footpath Officer) on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June to review some of the footpaths:

- Footpath 11 (by the railway) – Ms Baines is awaiting quotes to improve this footpath to accommodate pushchairs – a contribution from the Parish Councils may be requested. Network Rail, who own the land, have refused to contribute to the cost following the village's objection to close Moody's crossing.
- Footpath 12 (near Crawford's Meadow) – Ms Baines will arrange cutting of the path where needed and to add extra way markers.
- Ms Baines was generally unhappy with her new contractor who had cut some of the footpaths – it had been noted that parts of footpath 3 (Abbey Lane to Mill Lane) had been missed.

Following Mr John Clifford's quote to cut the verges, which is the same as the NCC rate, APC resolved to instruct the Clerk to make out a Purchase Order to the existing measurements but to add these are being reviewed. Also to refer to understanding that he has Public Liability Insurance to the required standard set by NCC.

### **15.095 Dawns Lane/Noble Lane**

- It was noted that the potholes on Dawns Lane had been filled in. Regarding Noble Lane it was resolved to send a letter to Archbishop School - information from archive Parish Council minutes suggests the responsibility of Noble Lane fell under Notts Education

Committee but since Archbishop Cranmer School is now an Academy and no longer a Local Authority maintained school, the responsibility must now lay with the school.

#### **15.096 The new obligations for small councils in publishing data**

- Information about a free website, Hugofox, had been forwarded by the clerk to the councillors. It was resolved to pursue this option – offers of help to the clerk from Cllr Crowley and Cllr Auckland.

#### **15.097 Review of Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Internal Controls**

- Reviews of the Standing Orders and Internal Controls have been carried out. Financial Regulations to be deferred to the next meeting.

#### **15.098 Detention Centre Notice-board**

It was confirmed there are currently no notice-boards at the DC. Due to complications of this being Government land it was agreed the Parish Council would not be in a position to provide a notice-board. A note can go in the next newsletter to emphasise that the houses at the Prison site contribute to the Aslockton precept, not Whatton, and information is available on line and at the Main Street, Aslockton, notice-board.

#### **15.099 Plans for the Pavilion at the Playing Field**

All councillors had received the Trustees Report and Playing Field Accounts but no plans for a new pavilion. It was resolved to await the co-option of two new councillors before appointing representatives on the Playing Field Committee.

#### **15.100 Consultation on Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan**

- As the consultation was on “methodology” and not actual locations, it was resolved for APC not to comment at this stage but to await the second part of the consultation process (which may list the locations).

#### **15.101 Allotments**

It had been noted by Cllrs Barker and Cllr Lowth, that the state of the allotments had regressed. Although some plots were very well maintained it was agreed to send out a letter to all tenants reminding them of their duties of maintenance - Cllr Lowth to draft a letter for the Council’s approval.

#### **15.102 Finances**

By standing order – Clerks Salary (May) no tax payable	£289.71
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Cheques for Payment

Clerk’s expenses (travel and office)	£19.52
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Nalc – Training new councillor	£25.00
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Reimburse M Barker	£31.16
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(plants, compost, watering can and paper)

S137 Payments	Aslockton Cemetery Trust	£175.00
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St Thomas Churchyard Fund	£125.00
Vale of Belvoir Responders	£100.00
Rushcliffe Barn Owls Project	£50.00

Replacement cheque St Thomas Church £40.00  
(cheque number 715 to replace Sept 2014 cheque 665 which was not cashed)

Cheque to the internal auditor made in May for £60 was ratified.

Proposed by Cllr Lowth, seconded by Cllr Crowley.  
Cheques signed by the only two signatories present - Cllrs Barker & Auckland.

Statement of accounts for May proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr Auckland.

### **15.103 Chairman's Business**

The Chair reported that following notes through the doors, the hedges at Manor Farm, Mill Lane and Holly House, Dawns Lane had been cut.

### **15.104 Councillors Reports**

There was nothing to report.

### **15.105 Correspondence**

- County Council Civic Service Invite at Southwell Minister Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June
- Unison Petition – re proposals to reduce the number of PCSO
- Leaflet from Rushcliffe on garden bonfires (copies given to councillors)

### **15.106 Items for next agenda**

Footpath 11  
Verges remeasurement  
Noble Lane  
Website (new obligations)  
Financial Regulations  
Playing Field Committee Representatives

### **15.107 Date of next scheduled monthly meeting**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7pm in the small meeting room of the Thomas Cranmer Centre.