

Approved Minutes of the Meeting of Aslockton Parish Council held in the Thomas Cranmer Centre, Aslockton, Nottinghamshire on Monday 11th July 2016

Present: Cllrs M. Barker (Chair), C.Haslam, K.Auckland, A.Crowley, J.Brown, B.Marshall, R Sharpe

Also present: 3 members of the public

16.055 Apologies

None.

16.056 Declaration of interest

None.

16.057 Public Meeting

Bingham Town Councillor Mrs Tracey Kerry attended with Bingham Town Councillor Kath Vallance. Mrs Kerry is standing for RBC Cranmer ward and Bingham division of NCC as an independent candidate. Cllr Kerry wanted to talk about her recent successes in local politics and how she would be an effective, approachable councillor. The full list of candidates in both elections was read out to parish councillors and the public present.

Mrs Fiona Barker had met a representative from Waterloo Housing to show him the misuse of the ditch by children playing at the back of Crawfords Meadow. A representative from Western Power has still to visit. Hopefully Waterloo Housing can be persuaded to act after the dangers are shown to the energy company representative – these dangers will become more pressing if/when the new housing development is built.

16.058 Adoption of June 13th minutes

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

16.059 Planning

- **15/01800/FUL** Mr David Morton, construction of a new dwelling including landscape & means of enclosure, York House, Chapel Lane, Aslockton. Footprint moved 1-2 m towards the road so not so close to the tree. New site visit needed – Cllr Marshall to arrange.
- **16/01407/FUL** Mr. S. Mitchell, partial change of use of property, Abbey Farm Cottage, New Lane. A business which has been there for some time. No objections subject to no long term roadside parking.
- **16/01190/FUL** Agricultural building at Abbey Farm, New Lane (Mr Brian Crawford). Clerk to say APC's original objection and comments (submitted in June) still stand.

Planning permission given to:

- **16/00986/FUL** The Paddock, Mill Lane (Mr A Cammiss): two summer houses in the garden.

Other ongoing planning matters:

16/00832/COU Change of use to a tearoom, Wilfur House, Main St – clerk was to write to Planning to ask if the table + chairs outside is allowed. No reply as yet.

Date for public inquiry for the outline application to develop land north of Abbey Lane has been announced. It will begin on 25th October 2016.

Cllr Barker had written to the chairman of Orston Parish Council expressing disappointment that the latter had not wished to comment on the Cliffhill Lane application. No reply as yet.

16.060 Clerk's Report

The report was received and noted by the councillors.

16.061 Playing Field Pavilion Project

No playing field committee meetings nor development on the production of a public survey since last month.

Cllr Sharpe + Cllr Auckland have been doing some research into the acquisition of the land; deed of dedication and formation of the trust. A sub-committee of the trustees (members of each parish council) do not meet as was originally intended. The playing field committee is supposed to be the managing body - not the decision makers. A letter will be put together by Cllrs Sharpe and Barker suggesting that the sub-committee of trustees meet in the near future.

16.062 Installing Speed Signs

The clerk to ask Highways to do a traffic survey on Abbey Lane and Cliffhill Lane in the hope NCC speed signs can be installed again.

16.063 Footpaths

All issues of overgrown vegetation e.g. at Holmefield, Fields Bungalow, Holly House, have been resolved.

Footpath 1 The Capes – the tree has been attended to by Network Rail but has been left in the middle of the footpath with brambles in the middle of it. Steve Rose could do a footpath cut which would include this. Cllr Barker to get in touch with Mr Rose.

Footpath 2 by the nursing home – this doesn't appear to have been cut so people are walking through Mr Crawford's crops.

Footpath 11 improvements – the money is there but NCC's Jane Baines is struggling to get a contractor to undertake the work.

Footpath 3 Mill Lane to Abbey Lane – residents need to cut back their hedges.

16.064 Highways (congestion in village + overhanging vegetation)

The clerk had written to NCC's Highways and officer Kendra Hourd had replied – copy to be forwarded to concerned resident Mr Brian Crawford.

16.065 Allotments

Cllrs Crowley + Auckland had visited and were very disappointed looking at the state of some of them. All councillors to visit with a view to discussion and forming a plan of action next meeting.

16.066 Finances

Payments which were authorised last meeting but had not been included on the agenda were ratified – D Clifford & Sons (verge cutting); reimbursement to M Lowth (plant purchases).

For payment:

Clerk's salary including back pay due to national pay rates increase	£312.41
Pension Contribution (employee's £18.18 + employer's £48.60)	£66.78
Nalc new councillor training (for Cllr Marshall)	£25.00
M. Barker expenses. Toner and postages	£40.30

Extra payment for plants not on the agenda (reimburse Mrs F Barker)	£30.92
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Proposer to the above payments Cllr Sharpe; seconder Cllr Marshall

Statement of accounts for approval – June. Proposer Cllr Barker; Secunder Cllr Brown

16.067 Chairman's Business

Parish Council Cluster Planning Session – five Aslockton councillors can attend.

Notice-boards: acrylic sheets could be a possible replacement for the existing perspex which has become very dirty over time. Clerk to contact Malcolm Lane.

Cllr Haslam & Barker cleared Dr Russell vegetation in Dawns Lane. (Last meeting Cllr Marshall had reported that at the entrance to Stable Court (off Dawns Lane) railway sleepers have been laid at the entry to the two houses - these were not included on the application, due to the site being in the conservation area of the village. Cllr Barker is still trying to establish contact with Hamilton Knight to discuss this the re-instatement of the verge opposite the Old Stables).

Asked if the council would like to make a donation to one of M Suthers funds. £50 was agreed – to go to Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust.

16.068 Councillors Reports

Cllr Auckland: A resident had a while ago approached her about car parking on the green near Meadow Close. He had been advised to request such provision from the housing provider and had done so. Cllr Auckland asked if the housing provider had contacted the parish council to ask their views on the idea – as yet no correspondence has been received on this, the clerk advised.

Cllrs Crowley & Brown had attended the police priority setting meeting

16.069 Correspondence

Thank you letter to the parish council from Mr Graham Harper for the support given to the Queen's Birthday celebrations at the TCC.

Aslockton Cemetery Trust's Ruth King has requested in writing S137 funding from the council – finance item next time.

The relevant officer at RBC continues to deal with the bees situation in Fields Drive.

16.070 Items for the Next Agenda

Playing Field Pavilion
Installing Speed Signs
Footpaths
Notice-boards

16.071 Date of next scheduled monthly meeting

Monday 8th August 2016 at the Thomas Cranmer Centre at 7pm.