

## Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday April 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 7.15pm.

**PRESENT** Councillors Walker (Chairman), Mrs Hurst (Vice Chairman), Allen, Mrs Brooks, Mrs Lee, Mrs Newstead, Newstead, Owen, Rouse, Scott, Watt and Ms White

with District Cllr Lee, two members of the public, three representatives of Newark Tennis Club and the Clerk.

### 3979 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Green and Page, District Cllr Payne, County Cllrs Girling and Wallace

### 3980 **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.

### 3981 **Public Participation and Newark Tennis Club**

The meeting was closed to meet with representatives of Newark Tennis Club regarding the Club's need to re-locate from its current site in Newark and one possibility is to site some courts and/or clubhouse on the Council's playing field and some on the adjacent Newark Academy field. The Club's existing premises are on land at the back of the former Lilley & Stone school site off London Road and this was subject to a fifty year lease with the County Council but the Club has not been able to secure a further lease with the authority.

They were thanked for their attendance and amount of work that had gone into preparing a business case for the possible venture, but were advised that the Council required a proposed plan or layout of where the courts could be accommodated alongside the Academy. When such a plan is provided this issue can will be considered by the Council.

They left the meeting at approximately 8.15pm and the meeting re-opened.

The two members of the public had left the meeting at approximately 8.05pm during the Tennis Club's presentation;

### 3982 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2018, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

### 3983 **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 3973.a1 Planning Regulations** The M.P. has advised that Parish Councils *are* statutory planning consultees for any planning application within its parish; this advice does not concur with that given at a recent District Council training event.
2. **Re Minute 3961.d2 Grant to the Royal British Legion** Cllr Walker advised that the local British Legion has also been given a grant by Fernwood Parish Council towards the Remembrance Sunday road closure costs.

b) Planning

c) Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

1. **Re Minute 6073 Boundary Review** Members were disappointed that the Council's original objections to the proposals had not resulted in the Review being rejected but agreed that the comments should be re-submitted before the closing date of May 25<sup>th</sup> 2018 for the consultation.

2. **Re Minute 6070a 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

£500 to the Newark Dementia Carers Group  
£250 to Chuter Ede Primary School

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

3984 **Committees**

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

Planning

Finance and General Purposes

3985 **Financial Statements**

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being payment requirements of £24,124.45 for February and £38,887.02 for March 2018.

3986 **Reports from Representatives**

District Cllr Lee gave an update regarding the Boundary Review issue and urged members to engage with the public to help object to the proposals. He also advised that the District Council is looking into the possibility of a glass recycling collection service.

**3987 Clerk's Additional Information**

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

- a) Notice that London Road outside Sainsbury's will be subject to temporary, two way stop/go signals on Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> from 9.30am to 3.30pm for telecoms maintenance work.
- b) £2,377.12 of Community Infrastructure Levy funding has been received for the 2017/18 financial year; this is from development at the former Working Men's Club on Main Street and a new dwelling at 4 Sibcy Lane. This money should be spent within 5 years of receipt.
- c) Notification that a pay increase of 2% has been agreed for all local authority employees for the 2018/19 financial year.
- d) A request for permission to site a Textile Recycling Bank on the Council's car park from the Children's Air Ambulance charity. Members asked that further details be obtained regarding the process of emptying the Bank in readiness for the issue to be considered at the next Amenities Committee meeting.

**3988 Future Agenda Items**

Cllr Owen asked that an emergency meeting be arranged as soon as possible to discuss how best to engage with the public regarding the Boundary Review issue and promote objections. As the closing date for comments is May 25<sup>th</sup> members considered that action needed to be taken as soon as possible. A Working Party consisting of Cllrs Mrs Hurst, Mrs Lee, Owen, Walker and Watt was formed to take this issue forward.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.40pm.