

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday March 8th 2017 at 7.00 pm.

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

with District Cllrs Lee and Payne, two parishioners and the Clerk.

A moment's silence was held as a mark of respect in memory of former Balderton Parish Councillor Mr Fred Mortimore who had passed away recently.

3880 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Fletcher and Major Mortimore.

3881 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.

3882 Public Participation

The meeting was closed to take public comments; the parishioners present did not raise any issues and the meeting was re-opened.

3883 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on January 25th 2017 and of an Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on February 22nd 2017, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

3884 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 3875 School Parking Cllr Lee reported that seven parking tickets have been issued locally in the last month by the County Council camera car that patrols outside schools.

2. Re Minute 3878.d Recycling Facility Cllrs Mrs Brooks, Mrs Hurst and Rouse had found the tour of the recycling facility both useful and interesting; copies of an information sheet provided on the day will be circulated to all members.

- b) Café Working Party
- c) Planning
- d) Amenities
- e) Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

1. Re Minute 5086.1 Hope House School Parking Cllr Allen re-iterated the need to monitor the site as the problem of vehicles parking on the verges continues.

2. Re Minute 5088 Free Resource It was,

AGREED that in pursuance of the powers conferred by Sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council approve the payments of

£500 to Chuter Ede Primary School and
£580 to John Hunt 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.

3885 Committees

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

Café Working Party 03/02/17 & 24/02/17

Planning 06/02/17 & 21/02/17

Amenities

Finance & General Purposes

3886 Financial Statements

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being a payment requirement of £19,175.07 for January 2017.

3887 Reports from Representatives

District Cllr Payne reminded members that if a Parish Council objects to a planning application for a domestic extension this will not mean automatic referral to the District Council Planning Committee. If such a referral is required the local Ward Councillors must be asked to request it.

District Cllr Lee reported that enquiries are being made into the removal/damage of plants that had been installed in the flower beds at the Lakeside Shopping Centre. It is understood that the person who planted them did so with prior permission but the contractors working on the new Lidl store have damaged/removed them by emptying the planters/beds. Lidl now own the whole Lakeside Centre site.

3888 Clerk's Additional Information

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

- a) Notice of a minor variation License application from Lidl to change the layout of the store (no changes to times or conditions for the sale of alcohol). No objections were raised.
- b) The new Lidl store will open at 8am on Thursday March 23rd 2017. The Council Chairman and Vice Chairman have been invited to open it.
- c) Notice that the District Council is now consulting on its Draft Charging Schedule for the Community Infrastructure Levy including the list of priority projects, the main one being widening of the A1 overbridge at Fernwood. The Council responded to the earlier draft consultation document.
- d) A letter of concern from the Chairman of the Newark Group of Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust regarding the Y.M.C.A.'s proposed boating project for Lakeside. The writer will be invited to the public meeting once a date has been scheduled.
- e) Notice that Robert Jenrick M.P. is holding a Senior Citizens Fair at the Lowfield Lane Salvation Army Centre on Friday March 17th from 12pm-4pm, and a Jobs Fair at the Holy Trinity Centre on Boundary Road, Newark on Friday March 24th between 12.30pm and 5pm.

3889 **Future Agenda Items**

1. Cllr Owen asked that the parking problems outside Warwick Court and on Warwick Road be discussed at a future Amenities Committee meeting.

Cllr Mrs Hurst asked that the new L.E.D. street lights be discussed at a future F&GP Committee meeting.

The meeting closed at approximately 7.30pm.