

**MINUTES OF COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
25 OCTOBER 2012 IN THE YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE,
LOW STREET, COLLINGHAM**

A resident asked about alternative uses for the telephone box on South End. A 'book swap' scheme was suggested. It was pointed out that there was a need to ensure use of library did not fall.

It was also requested that a new notice board is erected near the One-Stop shop on the High Street and that a village map be produced. The Parish Council will look into these matters.

Present: R Scott (Ch) C Allen D Evans C Moody
 T Ozbourne M Parkin V Wright NCC Dobson
 N&SDC Shaw Clerk J Guest

1.Apologies: S Dove (holiday) M Dowell G Norcott

Mrs Scott proposed an Exclusion Motion for item 4 (vi) on the agenda, as there were contractual and legal matters to be discussed. This was seconded by Mrs Parkin and unanimously supported. This item would be discussed at the end of the meeting.

2. Declarations of interest:

- (a) Mrs Scott and Mrs Wright declared an interest in item 7 on the agenda, relating to reimbursement of their expenses.
(b) None declared.

3. Minutes:

With one small amendment, the minutes of the meeting of 27 September 2012 were approved, proposed by Mr Ozbourne, seconded by Mrs Moody and unanimously supported.

4. Progress Reports:

(i) Speedwatch

The excel sheet used to record speeding is being revamped and a meeting is to be arranged. Speedwatch becomes more difficult as it gets darker earlier. The High Street will be concentrated on as it is easier to monitor when dark. There are problems on Swinderby Road later in the day and a new volunteer for this area has come forward.

(ii) Code of Conduct

All members' interest forms have now gone to Newark and Sherwood District Council (N&SDC). A link to the village website is to be made to the forms when they are showing on the N&SDC website.

(iii) Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) Highways meeting

This was not successful; the Highways Officer Mike Keeling felt that nothing could be done to improve parking around the school. Concerns over the parking on Braemer Road /Windsor Close were discussed. At weekends and evenings this could cause a problem for emergency vehicles. Newark and Sherwood Homes are to be contacted about this.

(iv) Community Emergency Scheme

Mr Evans attended a very useful meeting at the Environment Agency, details placed in the circulation file. The Community Emergency Plan can now be completed. Lisa Lancaster at N&SDC needs to be informed about the poor St Johns Ambulance training.

(v) Dedication of Robert Hunt's plaque at the Memorial Hall.

A service is to take place on 10 November at 11am. It will be led by Reverend Briggs and supported by the British Legion. The Clerk will notify the Newark Advertiser.

(vi) Village Centre

An update on negotiations and diversion of footpath. This item was discussed at the end of the meeting following the earlier exclusion motion.

5. Planning applications:

12/01300/FUL	22 Station Road	This application was unanimously NOT supported
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6. Planning decisions:

12/01224/FUL	1 Cawthorne Close	Application permitted full planning permission with conditions
12/00954/FUL	Ivy Cottage, Cottage Lane	Application refused full planning permission
12/00613/FUL	Halfway Home Dog Rescue, High Park Farm, Swinderby Road	Application permitted full planning permission with conditions

7. Income and expenditure:

Following advice from the Internal Auditor a memo is to be sent to Mr Dowell requesting a sight of his Power of Attorney document, and a copy kept on file. Full details of the work carried out should be submitted. It was pointed out by the Internal Auditor that this applied to all invoices. Proposed by Mr Allen, seconded by Mrs Parkin with one abstention.

Glasdon UK Ltd	Two dog bins and bases	£234.05	£46.80	£280.85
Rosie Scott	Expenses as Acting Clerk Mar – Sept 2012	£251.74	£4.99	£256.73
D Lyne	Contract	£433.33	£86.67	£520.00
T Jacklin	Repairs notice board and bus shelter	£175.51	£0.00	£175.51
Clement Keys	External audit	£285.00	£57.00	£342.00

Val Wright	reimburse stationery	£8.97	£0.00	£8.97
Jane Guest, Clerk	Reimbursement of office equipment and stationery	£691.18	£138.24	£829.42

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

8. Correspondence

A letter from Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust regarding the naming of areas in Besthorpe Nature Reserve was placed in the circulation file for information.

Members were reminded of the NALC AGM on 14 November 2012.

9. Collingham Cricket Club:

The request for the Parish Council to pay for emptying of a dog bin supplied by the Cricket Club on Cottage Lane was agreed at cost of £42.90 per annum. Proposed by Mrs Scott, seconded by Mrs Moody and unanimously supported.

10. Burial Ground:

Mrs Scott asked if any reports had been received by members. This matter has been raised several times in the past and the allegations made are serious, Mrs Wright provided correspondence she had received from Mr Dowell. Mrs Scott is to take the matter to the Monitoring Officer of N&SDC.

11. Newark and Sherwood District Council Consultations

(i) Citizen of the Year

A resident of Collingham is to be nominated for his voluntary work around the village and help at the Jubilee celebrations.

(ii) Gambling Act

Individual Councillors may reply directly to N&SDC.

(iii) N&SDC Planning Consultation

Please can Councillors contact the Clerk with any comments they may wish to make.

12. Christmas:

There had been no reply from Lincolnshire Co-operative Society about use of their electricity supply for the Christmas lighting. The suggested date and time for an event is Sunday 2 December at 5.30pm, the first Sunday of Advent. Mrs Moody to speak to Churches Together via Mr Narracott.

13. Play Park:

The Play Park consultation will take place on 3 November in the Mayfield Room.

It appeared that PPSL have not been sending the weekly inspection reports, Clerk to look into this.

An article has been put on the Parish Council's page in The Fleet about dog fouling. The Land Registry work is ongoing.

14. Councillor's reports and items for future agendas:

Mrs Parkin will pass a letter from E-on to the Clerk regarding changing of the electricity meter in the Jubilee Room.

Mrs Moody reported that there were still problems with the footpath close to Pitomy Farm.

Mr Ozbourne asked about the old computer, this needs to be kept for a further month.

Mr Shaw reported on the success of the History Society's exhibition in the Mayfield Room .

A Collingham planning application is due to be discussed at the next N&SDC Planning Committee meeting; Mr Shaw has requested a site visit.

Mr Allen suggested expanding the 'Jubilee' email contact list to include any resident or group who wishes to be added, so urgent information may be circulated very quickly. Mr Ozbourne will add this to the Parish Council's page on the village website and this will also be mentioned in the next Fleet article.

Mrs Scott advised that the cost of insuring the bronze plaques is £7.98 for a year and Came and Co; the Parish Council's insurers will waive this charge until the next renewal date.

The Churches Together Remembrance Service is on 11 November, all members are invited.

Mrs Scott also reported on the village's 'Green Lanes' and whether their ownership is registered. This is to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Extension of the 30mph speed limit by the Cricket Club is also to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Mrs Scott will investigate the report of a broken bench near the Cricket Club.

Mr Dobson has passed details of the supply of grit and grit bins by NCC to the Parish Council.

4 (vi) Village Centre: (subject to an exclusion motion)

Negotiations are continuing and it is hoped that positive progress will be made before Christmas.

The meeting finished at 9.15 pm

3 members of the public present

No members of the press present