NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13th May 2015

PRESENT: Councillors: S Bolton (Chair), C Pate, J Cooper

W Carroll, A Marshall, F Kishor.

District Councillors: A Parry **County Councillors:** D Kendall **Clerk:** S Routly and 4 members of the public

1. Public participation

Mr Roger Wright addressed the council regarding the flood works; he was concerned that works had been planned for Crabtree allotments without consultation of the land owners. At this point Cllr Carroll joined the public as he had an interest. Cllr Bolton responded stating that there had been grant application deadlines so he had tried to get things moving, but as it currently stood there was not an agreed scheme. This subject would be discussed later in the meeting; it was not his intention not to involve the landowners.

Mrs Pauline Perkins enquired whether it was likely there would be housebuilding in Ashorne as a result of new council policy and the core strategy. Cllr Kendall responded that Ashorne fell into the category where no new houses were planned.

2. Declaration of Interests

Cllr Bolton declared an interest in the walking guide. Cllrs Carroll and Marshall declared interests in the Village Hall as Committee members.

3. Apologies for absence

None.

4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting held on 4th March 2015.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th March were proposed for approval by Cllr Kishor; this was seconded by Cllr Marshall and carried unanimously as a true record of proceedings.

5. <u>Matters arising</u>

a. Bus stops at Newbold Pacey - funding and next steps. Cllr Kendall/ All

Cllr Kendall announced he had secure funds of up to £20k in his delegated budget. The next step was to have a meeting on site to agree a way forward and a scheme that was acceptable to all parties. Cllr Bolton and Cllr Marshall agreed to attend. Mrs Boardman asked to be invited. *Cllr Kendall to arrange the meeting*.

b. Flooding works update Cllr Kendall, Cllr Bolton

Cllr Bolton informed the meeting that the works at the Holloway had been completed in time to obtain and receive grant towards this project. Crabtree allotments were more complex and a cattle grid was not the solution, as there were too many services crossing the entrance, and that's why it had not been progressed and why it wasn't worth involving the land owners at this stage. The possible solution was two large gulleys are leading to the main drain on the highway that would be cleaned out on contract ever few months. Mr Wright thanked Cllr Bolton for the explanation, as asked to be informed when the works may commence. Cllr Bolton stated as the works were on the highway, certain licenses would be required. *Cllr Kendall agreed to follow up with highways*.

c. Village Speed survey – feedback from WCC – Clerk

The Clerk read a letter from Graham Stanley of WCC who has analysed the speed survey data; he found the average speed was 24mph. Whilst this may be supportive of a 20mph limit, it also showed there was not a real speeding issue. The cost of implementing a speed reduction would be in excess of £10k due to legal costs etc. Cllr Kendall stated that it was probably not easy to justify this as a priority over other issues in the ward. It was resolved not to progress at this time, but to communicate the outcome via the Village Hut news.

d. Issues at the 'Square' - feedback from WCC - Clerk

The Clerk read a letter from Graham Stanley, stating he had visited the site, and looked at the accident statistics, and in his opinion there was no further action that could be taken. The Council thought this was unsatisfactory, but without evidence from parishioners of issues little more could be done. Therefore it was resolved to communicate the status in the Village Hut news and invite parishioners to submit evidence of issues with photographs etc when they arise. The Parish council would then follow up again.

e. Defibrillator update – Clerk/ Steve Routly

Mr Routly informed the meeting he had been in touch with Warwickshire Ambulance service who had provided advice. Their recommendation was to procure a box with a heater and thermostat, that keeps the AED from getting to cold when the temperature drops below 0c. The cost of the box with keypad, heater test was £525 plus VAT, and the annual running cost would be about £10. It was proposed to procure the box by Cllr Bolton; this was seconded by Cllr Cooper and carried unanimously. It was also resolved to write to the Village Hut Committee to seek agreement on the installation, they had already agreed in principal to the box installation. *Clerk to follow up*.

f. Bridle Path SD311 working group—Cllr Bolton

Cllr Bolton stated he had responses from 4 out of the 6 groups he had invited to join the working group. He was hoping for further responses next week and would then organise a meeting. Cllr Parry stated she would represent Moreton Morrell. *Cllr Bolton to arrange meeting*.

6. New Agenda items (arising from requests and correspondence)

a. Local care services – Cllr Bolton

Cllr Bolton raised a concern that Social services care had failed to turn up to an elderly couple, who need care in the village. It was resolved to seek more details from Krys Pietrecki who highlighted the concern. *Clerk to follow up*.

7. Planning

a. Applications to consider

15/00976/OUT – Outline Planning for Gaydon Lighthorne Heath development – Info as Neighbouring Parish – Comments only

After discussion it was resolved unanimously to send an objection, sighting the same issues as Lighthorne Heath Parish Council had raised. *Clerk to respond*.

b. Decision of Committee

15/00248/FUL - Proposed extensions to existing dwelling comprising new porch, boot room, extended garage to form car port, open canopy along single storey span to rear and new orangery. Conversion of existing attached outbuildings to form ancillary accommodation. Change of use of land to facilitate repositioning of access drive together with creation of hardstanding and turning circle to south side of dwelling. Demolition of existing barn and erection of replacement, re-positioned barn. Greenlands Ashorne Warwick CV35 9AB .

Support after site visit on 23/3/15

The response sent was:-

The Parish Cllrs conducted a site visit, and support this application as the house was in terminal decay, and the applicant is in the process of renovating, with very modest additions.

c. District Decisions for information

None.

d. Other

Bromson Spinney – Enforcement feedback – Clerk / Cllr Bolton

The Clerk informed the meeting that as requested at the last meeting she had asked enforcement at SDC to look into this issue, they had confirmed acknowledgement, but there was no outcome. Cllr Bolton informed the meeting the owner was very upset that SDC was involved and he only had good intentions for the woods, and in any case it had covenants preventing residential use. The council concluded it was only acting on information given by neighbours. It was resolved to leave to SDC to close the matter.

8. Finance

a. Approval of payments

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Marshall, seconded by Cllr Kishor and approved unanimously.

1.	WALC subs	£94.00
2.	Broker Network Limited Insurance	£159.00
3.	Eon phone box electricity	£20.48
4.	Severn Trent	£126.51
5.	WCC Village Hut printing	£20.00
6.	RS Plant Hire Flood works	£1650.00
7.	P Routly - Salary (Mar/Apr) via PATA	£426.55
8.	PATA payroll services in set up	£20.60
9.	P Routly – Expenses (Mar/ Apr)	£59.40

b. Receipts

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1.	Allotment rent – Mrs Gregory	£6.00
2.	Allotment rent – Mrs Such	£9.00
3.	Allotment rent – Mrs Freeman	£18.00
4.	Allotment rent – Mr Lavercombe	£18.00
5.	Wellesbourne PC Walking guide website	£25.00
6.	Flood Grant SDC (TBC)	£2750.00
7.	VAT return	£560.17
8.	Precept	£2775.00

c. Approval of Asset Register

The Clerk presented an up to date asset register for approval. Acceptance of the register was proposed by Cllr Carroll, seconded by Cllr Pate then carried unanimously

d. Approval of the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2015

The Clerk requested the accounts presented in the Annual Parish Meeting be approved. This was proposed by Cllr Kishor, seconded by Cllr Cooper and carried unanimously.

e. Annual Return – Approval and Statement of Assurance

The Clerk handed out the document for review, which was proposed for approval by Cllr Kishor, seconded by Cllr Cooper and carried unanimously.

9. <u>District Councillor's report</u>

Cllr Parry added the following to her Annual report:-

Delighted to be elected the district councillor for Newbold Pacey and Ashorne as the new ward member for Wellesbourne East and I wish to extend my thanks to the local community for their support and confidence. I would also like to express my thanks to David Johnston for his work and involvement over the last few years.

In view of the election there is not much to report on following the last meeting, however it is understood that the details regarding the new housing numbers are likely to be announced in June together with a revised five year housing land supply status. In addition SDC is looking at adopting those policies in the Core Strategy that were declared sound by the planning inspectorate in the interim report. It is anticipated that the Core Strategy will be adopted by the end of year, but timings will hinge on matters regarding the major new settlement.

It is understood that a planning application may be forthcoming regarding Moreton Morrell Solar Park and I have briefed the planning department at SDC to keep me fully posted on any developments regarding this matter.

A full council meeting is being held at the end of the month when details of the committee structures will be announced.

Regrettably I am unable to attend the next parish council meeting on 1 July as I am away on holiday.

10. County Councillor's report

Cllr Kendall had nothing further to add to his Annual report.

11. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated by email.

- a. Bishop's Tachbrook Draft Neighbourhood Plan info
- b. Cottage Tavern car parking

Cllr Bolton stated the matter of the car parking raised by the Cottage tavern landlord had been resolved, it was a misunderstanding.

12. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items

None.

13. Any Other Business allowed by Chairman as Urgent

None.

14. Date of next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting would be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 1^{st} July 2015 at 7.30pm .

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm