

Caythorpe Parish Council

Minutes 6 March 2018

18/24 Attendees

Cllr Cons, Cllr Harbidge, Cllr Boon, Cllr Duff, Cllr King, and Cllr Reddington

DC Roger Jackson

1 member of the public

18/25 Apologies

None

18/26 Declarations of Interest from members on any item to be discussed

None

18/27 To approve the minutes of the meeting 6 February 2018

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting on 6 February 2018.

18/28 Parishioners' participation

A resident queried what action the parish council had taken/is taking with regard to speeding traffic. Councillors outlined various initiatives taken over the last 20 years, including getting the speed limit standardised to 30mph throughout the village, the 'gateways' at either end of the village, temporary 30mph signs for occasional campaigns, 30mph stickers on bins, the interactive sign at the west end of the village, and the recent use of speed tubes to record speeding traffic with a view to trying to secure some action by NCC – 'it's 30 for a reason' signs are due to be fitted imminently.

Action: DC Roger Jackson to check when 'it's 30 for a reason' signs will be fitted.

18/29 NSDC Update from DC Roger Jackson

A resident has raised the issue of the local bus service which is not as useful as it could be as it is very limited. This means that the only really meaningful service requires a walk of around a mile to Lowdham. This may be difficult for elderly residents.

Councillors acknowledged that the 300 service is very welcome and hope it can be extended.

DC Jackson confirmed that there are discussions underway about this service as it is acknowledged that it does not really facilitate doctors' appointments in Southwell etc.

Councillors noted that this is a matter that may require persistence by the PC as Caythorpe and Hoveringham are the only villages affected.

Ponding is still a problem outside the War memorial Hall. DC Jackson reported that the area has recently been inspected and the drains are due to be unblocked shortly.

18/30 Update on Defibrillator(AED)/First Aid Training

Cllr Harbidge has arranged training on 18 April 2018 at 7-9.30pm for a maximum of 15 people.

Councillors will organise a leaflet drop, a notice on Facebook, and a website alert. It is anticipated that the event may be oversubscribed so anyone wishing to undertake training will be encouraged to sign up quickly. Allocation of places will be on a first come, first served basis.

Action: Councillor Harbidge to put together a letter to residents. Letters to be delivered by Councillor Reddington (alongside other PC communications), Kathryn to put an event notification on the website, and a notice to be put on Facebook by Councillor Cons.

Cllr Harbidge and DC Roger Jackson both left the meeting.

Upkeep of highways/village facilities

18/31 to discuss the village tidy up

The village tidy up will be over a weekend at the end of April 2018, with a co-ordinated morning event as well as encouragement for as many villagers as possible to 'do their bit' at their convenience during the weekend. Maintenance and tidying up will take place throughout the length of the village.

Actions: Clerk to ask if NSDC will pick up the litter etc.

Cllr Reddington to put together a note to residents to be delivered with the first aid training letter.

Clerk to put the event on the website and Councillor Cons to put it on Facebook.

18/32 To discuss the creation of a welcome pack for new residents

This is ongoing. Councillors hope to have something to present at the next meeting

18/33, 18/34 & 18/35 Planning Applications and Decisions

No current applications

Finances

18/36 Grants – details to be provided at meeting

None

18/37 To discuss accounts and banking showing a balance at 28 February 2018

Resolved to agree the balance of £4821 which includes the previous CIL payment (reserved for use on a future project) and balance from transparency fund.

Actions: Cllr King and Clerk to prepare a year-end report

18/38 To decide whether to accept accounts for payment for March 2018

Resolved to agree the payments to be made.

18/39 To review Standing Orders/Financial Regulations

Deferred to April meeting as we are still awaiting clarification on new GDPR regulations (the GDPR is in place but the government has not yet passed a Data Protection Bill that is linked).

18/40 To discuss any comments for 2013 Modelling Devolution kit

Noted

18/41 To discuss any comments for Consultation: Crime and poor performance in the waste sector

Noted

18/42 Parish Council minutes – to discuss the best way to present the minutes in a concise yet comprehensive manner

The minutes go on the website, with an emailed alert, and notice boards so are widely available. However, in an effort to encourage villages to read them, councillors would like to see them presented in a manner that is easy to read and interesting – concise yet comprehensive. Councillors agreed to continue to tweak the format over the coming months.

Action: Clerk to ask Steve Hough (Webmaster) how many visitors the website gets. Councillor Cons to tweak the format of the minutes with input from all councillors.

18/43 Flood Warden's Report

Nothing to report

18/44 Neighbourhood Watch Report

Nothing to report

18/45 To discuss buses serving the village

Already discussed earlier in meeting at **18/30**

18/46 Update from Gunthorpe Riverside Committee

This matter appears to have been resolved by the replacement of the fence around the water skiing area at Gunthorpe with bollards that do not restrict access to any common land. Caythorpe Parish Council have an interest in this due to being signatories to the common land and are pleased to see the matter resolved without issue.

18/47 To discuss whether to enter the Best Kept Village Competition

Councillors decided not to enter this year because Caythorpe previously entered annually but feedback implied that the 'natural' nature of the village, with wild flower verges and no highly cultivated areas, was not in keeping with the best kept village competition ethos.

18/48 Other items

Councillors queried whether the land being sold through Savills affect the land the Parish Council rents and sublets.

Action: Clerk to check with Savills

Councillors queried when Western Power will carry out the second phase of their work in Caythorpe. It has been some time since they finished the first phase, and they previously deemed it necessary work.

Action: Clerk to check timescales and anticipated risk due to delays with Western Power

Meeting closed at 9.15pm