

WESSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
held at 7.20pm on Tuesday 21 June 2016
At Christ Church, Matlock Road, Wessington

Present: Councillors K Ryan,(KR), S Beastall, (SB) B Wheatcroft (BW), H Shingleton (HR)

Also present: Parish Clerk, Catherine Hedley (CH) and members of the public

16.38 Apologies

L Odell (LO)

16.39 Variation of Order of Business

Resolved: To bring forward item no 23 (Planning Applications-New) to follow directly after public speaking

16.40 Election of Chair

Councillor Odell indicated via an email already circulated, that she was putting herself forward as Chair. Councillor Beastall nominated herself as Vice Chair.

Resolved: Unanimously carried that Councillor Odell be elected Chair and Councillor Beastall Vice Chair. **(ALL)**

16.41 Declaration of Members Interest

Cllr S Beastall declared an interest in Agenda item 24

16.42 Public Speaking

A query was raised concerning the land at the side of 20 Matlock Road and what would be built there. The Police representative was in attendance and reported 3 criminal damage incidents and one theft within the parish during the month of May. It was also stated that the property marking day would be carried out on 2 July 2016 at the school.

Resolved: That the parish clerk would enquire from NEDDC what the land at the side of 20 Matlock Road was to be used for. **(CH)**

16.43 Planning Applications New

16/00419/FL-Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 43 dwellings (Major Development) (Affecting Setting). Land North And West of Creg Ny Baa Brackenfield Lane Wessington. Applicant Radleigh Group And Gladwin Limited.

A number of concerns and objections were expressed about this planning application. These included:

- Concern for safety around proposed access roads.
- The original local plan was for affordable housing and this development was a departure from that.
- The infrastructure of the village could not support large developments.
- The village school was not able to cope with more children should development take place.

Councillors urged those parishioners expressing concern to also write to NEDDC with their objections.

Resolved: That the Parish Council write to the Planning Department of NEDDC with objections and to propose that Planning Officers and Local Councillors attend a Public Meeting in the village to discuss and respond to the concerns raised. **(CH)**

16.44. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

No additional items other than previously advised were added.

16.45 Minutes

To confirm the previously circulated Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 May 2016.

Resolved: To sign the minutes as a true and accurate record

16.46 Parish Council Meetings

A discussion took place concerning the scheduling of Parish Council Meetings.

Resolved:

1) To change the schedule of parish council meetings to the third Tuesday of every month to begin in July. **(ALL)**

2) To compile and display a revised schedule of meetings for notice boards/website. **(CH)**

16.47 Cheque Signatories

It was decided that additional cheque signatories were required.

Resolved: That Councillors Odell and Wheatcroft become cheque signatories. **(LO&BW)**

16.48 Election of Parish Councillor

The co-option of an additional parish councillor was discussed. It was decided that the procedure to co-opt an additional councillor was investigated.

Resolved: That the Parish Clerk sought guidance for this from NEDDC and advised at the next meeting. **(CH)**

16.49 Neighbourhood Development Plan-Service Level Agreement & Grant Funding

The grant funding bid to the Community Rights Programme was discussed and it was decided that funding should be sought for the services of Rural Action Derbyshire to assist with the compilation of the Wessington Neighbourhood Plan and that the Council should be the facilitator for this.

Resolved: That an application be made to the Community Rights Programme for funding of activities associated with the compilation of the Neighbourhood Plan. **(CH)**

16.50 Request from White Hart Public House

Resolved: That permission to serve alcohol and cover the hog roast on Saturday 2 July 2016 be given. **(ALL)**

16.51 Training

Councillor Shingleton advised that his recent attendance at the Common Land & Village Greens Course had been very informative and had raised a number of issues which he would advise on at a later meeting. **(HS)**

16.52 East Midlands in Bloom

Resolved: That the entry to the EMIB for 2016 be withdrawn but that local awards be given **(ALL)**

16.53 Clean for the Queen

Resolved: That activities would be undertaken to tidy the village after the well dressing weekend.

16.54 Rights of Way Maintenance Agreement

The correspondence received from DCC was discussed and it was decided that as Councillor Odell was absent from the meeting, advice should be sought from her regarding appropriate projects to fund.

Resolved: That Councillor Odell should be approached to advise of appropriate projects for the grant. **(CH&LO)**

16.55 Request for Ben Bailey 106 Funding

A request from the Well Dressing Committee for a Section 106 grant to purchase name plaques for the wells was considered.

Resolved: That the request for £864 for the purchase and installation of six well dressing name plaques be given. **(CH)**

16.56 Clerks Update

CH advised that the recent course she had attended on the management of cemeteries and churchyards had resulted in a recommendation on the type of books the Parish Council should purchase. These were:

- a Register of Graves & Grants of Exclusive Rights of Burial
- b Register of Graves General Pattern
- c Register of Burials
- d Register of Public Graves in Unconsecrated Ground

Resolved:

- 1) That all but (d) above be purchased immediately.
- 2) That if the Register of Public Graves in Unconsecrated Ground is required in the future that the purchase is made at that time. **(CH)**

16.57 Ben Bailey (Multi user Path)

Resolved: For CH to liaise with SB re grant for the above.

16.58

Actions	Priority Level	Who's Responsible	Update	Completion Next meeting unless stated PC

Common Land Registration	Urgent	Cllr Shingleton Parish Clerk	The Qualified Title Application had been acknowledged by the Land Registry.	
Weekly Play Ground Inspection	6	Cllr Wheatcroft Parish Clerk	Top gate sticking and other gate has protruding bolt. CH to chase up and obtain quotes for remedial work. Benches had been ordered from Glasdon.	
Monthly Burial Ground Inspection	6	Cllr Ryan	Work had commenced on the removal of spoil, stone and debris from under tree. Work had begun on the wall. Meeting with PCC had taken place	
Trees requiring work around the Village		Cllr Ryan	Notification that start date in August had been received from Western Power to remove branches growing through wires. The Council will liaise with the tree surgeon to complete all the works required to the tree at the same time.	
Quarterly Parish Inspection	6	Cllr Shingleton	The inspection due in May had not been carried out and will now take place in June.	
Neighbourhood Plan	6	Cllr Shingleton	The NHP Questionnaire had been compiled. Approval would be sought at next NHP meeting on 28	

			June. 750 copies would be printed. Information point was available in a Marquee over the well dressing weekend.	
Footpaths report		Cllr Odell	Update required A finger post is being requested. Work is underway on a map display board and leaflets. Agreed deadline of end April 2016 for leaflets	
Ben Bailey (WVHDF)	6	Cllr Odell	No update available	
Ben Bailey (Seating)	4	Cllr Beastall Parish Clerk	Signage had been obtained. Age range for the childrens play area sign had to be established. CH to identify.	
New Notice Boards	4	Cllr Beastall	Cllr Beastall has identified vinyl noticeboards @ £100 each which can be fitted in bus shelters and others which can be fitted to lamposts	

Resolved: That a quote be obtained for remedial work to the matting in the play area and that Pugh Lewis be asked to rectify the gate issues. **(CH)**

16.59 Councillor Updates

Councillors Beastall & Ryan raised the issue of grass cutting around the play area and time capsule, which had not been done.

Resolved:

- a) To approach NEDDC and request clarification on the grass cutting in the play area.
- b) To request a quote from NEDDC on the cost of mowing around the time capsule area for 2016/17.
- c) To request that NEDDC endeavour to complete the mowing schedule before the well dressing weekend. **(CH)**

16.60 Finance

- a) Bank Reconciliation at 1 June 2016

Resolved: To approve the document and the following payments and any other payments properly received by the Council at the meeting.

b) Payments

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
21/6/2016	SLCC	Common Land & Village Green Course	£174.00
21/6/2016	Ashgate Garden Care	Mowing May 4 & 24	£200.00
21/6/2016	ROSPA	Annual Play Area Inspection	£88.20
21/6/2016	A Beastall	Whitelining, plaques & removal/alterations to planters	£125.00
21/6/2016	Celebrating Cromford	Hire of Marquee 1.7.16	£100.00
21/6/2016	PCC	Hire of Room- 23 May NHP - 24 May PC - 2 June PC - 14 June NHP - 21 June PC -	£125.00
21/6/2016	Came & Co	Insurance Premium	£662.09
21/6/2016	Brian Wood	Internal Audit Fees	£55.50
21/6/2016	Cottage Nurseries	Planters & Baskets	£673.00
21/6/2016	NEDDC	Mowing Contract 2016/17	£2819.38
21/6/2016	C Hedley	Clerks Wages & Expenses	£385.50

Payments Received

Date	Payment From	Description	Amount
10/6/2016	HMRC	VAT refund 2015/16	£2135.89

16.61 Year End – Annual Audit 2015/16

Resolved:

- 1) That the internal audit report and Annual Return to Grant Thornton be approved.
- 2) That the accounts for the Exercise of Public Rights be made available on the Council website for 30 consecutive working days, from the 28 June 2016 to the 5 August 2016. **(SB & CH)**

16.62 Literature / Correspondence received

Correspondence received was considered.

16.63 Items for Next Agenda

To be with the Clerk 7 days before next meeting

16.64 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 19 July 2016

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

16.65 Resolved: Under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act 1960) to exclude members of the press and public in order to discuss the following items –

16.66 Churchyard Maintenance

Resolved: That a follow up letter be sent with a reply to the correspondence received from the PCC. **(CH)**

16.67 Update on Councillor Fisher's Absence

Resolved: To defer to next meeting

16.68 Neighbourhood Plan Admin Support

CH agreed to carry out admin support for the Neighbourhood Plan Committee Group

Resolved: That a grant of up to £1000 was made available to the Neighbourhood Plan Committee to fund this support.

Meeting closed 10.20pm