

Minutes of the Clarborough & Welham Parish Council meeting held 25th July 2016 at 7pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Main Street, Clarborough

Present: Cllr Gibson (Chair), Cllr Baines, Cllr Bowler, Cllr George, Cllr B Robinson, Cllr F Robinson and Cllr Willcock

Others Present: Mrs Davies (Clerk), Cllr S Greaves (Leader of Bassetlaw District Council) County Cllr Liz Yates

502/16 To receive apologies for absence

No apologies received.

503/16 To receive any Declarations of Interest in any items on the agenda

No Declarations of Interest received.

504/16 Presentation to be given by the Leader of the District Council regarding the Sheffield City Region devolution

Cllr Simon Greaves, Leader of the District Council, attended the meeting and gave a presentation on the Sheffield City Region devolution.

505/16 Open session for members of the public to speak and to receive reports from the District and County Councillors, PCSO Airey and Mr Oaks Footpath Warden

- County Councillors Liz Yates reported that she has spoken with N.C.C regarding the ownership of the dyke mentioned at the last meeting; she is currently awaiting further information. Cllr Yates then left the meeting
- Mr Oaks reported that Bridleway No.3 had been blocked by a fallen tree which has now been cleared. Further work will be carried out in the autumn to cut back any further trees at risk. All other maintenance matters are being attended to by Notts County Council
- A representative from the Spa shop was present to discuss the fundraising she is doing towards the school's football team kit
- The speed watch scheme was mentioned; the Chair reported that a group of volunteers were needed to be trained to use a speed gun in an attempt to catch speeding vehicles
- District Councillor Kath Sutton gave an update on the breach of planning conditions at the site on gypsy Corner and reported that the planning department are dealing with the matter.

506/16 To approve minutes of the meeting held 20th June 2016

Cllr George proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting held 20th June 2016 as a true record; this was seconded by Cllr Baines and resolved by the Council.

507/16 To receive updates from the meeting held 20th June 2016

Min No. 497/16 – Cllr George has removed and disposed of the Church Lane notice.

508/16 To receive reports from other meetings

The Chair reported that the Chair from Hayton Parish Council contacted him regarding a breach of planning on Smeath Lane. Council asked the Chair email BDC regarding the development of the site.

At this point in the meeting; PCSO Airey attended the meeting and gave his crime report for June.

The Chair reported that he had been connected with a complaint regarding football being played 3am in the village hall car park. The Chair closed barrier to the village hall drive for two nights to deter reoccurrence.

509/16 To receive play area inspection reports and consider request to use the field for football training

Cllr Bowles reported that he has put up some no dog signs in the children's play area; someone has placed a couple of pegs in the goal netting. It was also noted that the bins had not been emptied at the time of the inspection.

The Chair reported that the independent play inspections have been carried out on the play area and ball wall area; no items were noted higher than low risk but the Chair will work through the inspection report.

Cllr Baines proposed to allow the Babworth football team use the sports field for training subject to providing their public liability insurance certificate; this was seconded by Cllr Willcock and resolved by the Council. The Chair will contact them to clarify that it is only training they require the field for.

510/16 To consider planning applications, note any correspondence and decision notices

No planning applications received.

Decision Notice:

Application: 16/00714/HSE

Location: 5 Hillview Cres, Clarborough

Proposal: Proposed replacement conservatory to rear of dwelling

Decision: Grant subject to conditions

To receive Neighbourhood Plan update

Cllr Willcock gave the following report

The Plan and other documents

All documents are now largely finished. These are:

The Neighbourhood Development Plan

Consultation Statement – how we consulted the Parish and 45 Statutory Consultees.

Sustainability Assessment – how the Plan is sustainable enough to implement.

Basic Conditions Statement – how the Plan meets local, national and EU legislation applying to planning processes, legal processes and human rights.

We are awaiting only a response to the Sustainability Assessment from a consultee. *(Since the PC meeting this has been received and the document completed.)*

Finance

The Awards for All Grant from the National Lottery expired on 31 May 2016.

The grant totalled	£10,000.00
We spent	£ 06439. 24
Balance is	£ 03360 .76

The balance will be returned to Awards for All.

Awards for All have approved our 'End of Grant Report'.

Bassetlaw District Council Land

On 16 May the Steering Group held a meeting with BDC Estates to clarify a number of issues. We were told that the proposal to sell and gift the land would be put before BDC Cabinet in the autumn.

On 14 July the BDC Cabinet approved the sale of the development area land, plus a small section outside the development area for houses between the development boundary and the southern end of Broad Gores, a total of approximately 3.9 acres. This is as on all the Plans showing 38 houses being built. (Map supplied to Councillors)

The remaining 5.3 acres (approx.) of land will be transferred to the Parish Council for use as open green space land – subject to the NP being approved in the Referendum.

Land shown hatched will be transferred with the rest. There is an option that this land could be taken back at no cost to BDC should the land be required for boat moorings in the future. BDC will take the profit from this sale. The central section of this land is already in the ownership of the PC.

This was agreed by BDC Cabinet – a major step forward in the NP.

It has been suggested that the PC could take on management of the land immediately under a licence agreement which would include: The documentation for an interim arrangement would be way of a licence agreement along the following lines:

- There would be a license fee payable but this would be a nominal sum say £5 if demanded.
- The full terms would need preparing but it would state that:-
- the license is not transferrable to a third party
- it would cover specified period of time
- the license holder would indemnify the council against any losses of claims, say if someone was to injure themselves while on the land
- the use of the land - public open space
- the land would be taken in its current condition with no work undertaken by the council

There will be a formal legal agreement along the lines of the above for the permanent transfer.

Cllr June Evans of Harworth has been very helpful in promoting this in the Cabinet.

I have tried to obtain copies of other similar agreements between BDC and Parish Councils but with no success so far.

The PC need to consider 2 main areas for the land, management and finance. Again I have tried to contact someone employed by BDC but with no success so far. The Clerk mentioned that she is able to pass on an email address to help with this.

Process

With the documents complete they will be sent to BDC, probably in the week beginning 1 August. All documents will appear on the Plan website at clawenp.btck.co.uk. There is then a 6 week consultation period during which an Examiner is appointed. They then have 2 weeks to complete the examination, which is to ensure that the Plan is legal and consultation has been carried out correctly. Following this the Parish is given a 4 week notice of the Referendum. A simple majority of Parish voters either accepts or rejects the Plan. If the vote is 'Yes' then the Plan is made by BDC the following day. This gives us about 12 weeks from submitting the documents – if all goes well. The Referendum should, therefore be held before Christmas 2016.

512/16 Finance – To approve payments and receive financial update

The Clerk circulated copies of the June 2016 finances and bank statements for the Councillors to view.

The following payments were approved:

- a. Clarborough & District Community Ass £700.00 (1920)
- b. Parish Clerk – July wage £187.79 (1921)
- c. Holmes Groundcare Maintenance £175.56 (1922)
- d. Playdale Playground – annual inspection £234.00 (1923)

e. Parish Clerk – Aug wage £187.79 (1924)

The Chair reported on a query regarding payment to a supplier for the QE11 Party teddy bears. Cllr Baines proposed to pay the full amount of £240.00; this was seconded by Cllr Willcock and resolved by the Council.
Gifts 2 Impress Ltd – QE11 expense £240.00 (1925)

513/16 To consider donation requests from the First Responders and Clarborough school football strip

Cllr B Robinson proposed to give a donation of £50 to the First Responders; this was seconded by Cllr F Robinson and resolved by the Council.

The Spa shop is raising money to purchase a football strip for the Clarborough School football team. Cllr Bowler proposed to give a donation of £150; this was seconded by Cllr George and resolved by the Council.

514/16 To consider new notice board installation costs

The Council considered the installation costs and Cllr Bowler proposed that the Chair obtains quotes up to £500 and arranges for the installation of the notice board; this was seconded by Cllr George and resolved by the Council.

515/16 To receive update on the meeting with Highways

Cllr Willcock reported on the meeting with Mr Parker the Highways Manager regarding:

- Overgrown hedge on Clarborough Hill – Mr Parker will put in a request for a definitive answer on who is the owner of the hedge
- Grass cutting; if the parish council took over some grass cutting from N.C.C it would only receive 2p per mtr²; the Clerk reported that this is only a fraction of the cost that the parish council would have to pay the contractors. Alternatively, the Chair suggested paying for interim cuts on limited areas – as County Council only do a few cuts a year.
- The Chair will obtain quotes from the grass contractors for the suggested areas to be discussed at the September meeting
- Mr Parker reported that a proper gully in the area of flooding around the entrance to the village hall driveway; plus some additional gullies in the area
- Hedge cutting on Howbeck Lane; Mr Parker reported that a cut will take place in the next two growing seasons
- Pedestrian crossing and speeding in the village – another meeting is to take place in September to discuss the criteria for the crossing
- A resident enquired about an update on the flooding issues in the village. Cllr Willcock reported that he has tried several times to contact Ian Davies over the last 3 months, since he came to talk to the PC. All with no success except for today when he gave me some slight update on what he said at the meeting. This is:
 - The amount allocated to the remedial work is £320,000 for 2020/2021;
 - The engineering design work will commence in 2017.

- He did not, however, answer the 1 question I had asked him, which was:
Can he give us advice on trying to discover the causes of the flooding and possible solutions?

516/16 To report any Highways/Rights of Way/Service Faults

- Environment services are aware of fly tipping on Broadgores.
- The Chair has received correspondence regarding the grass and moles on Little Lane which he has responded to

517/16 Proposal to discuss grass cutting in the village

This had been discussed earlier in the meeting; to be discussed at the September meeting when prices received off the contractor.

518/16 Proposal to discuss litter picking in the village

Cllr Willcock reported some meetings ago on the Scout litter picking.

That left the winter months with no picking and it is this, which is, arguably, when we need it most as grass is shorter and so litter more visible. We need to consider this if we are to address the concerns of residents. This item to be discussed at the next meeting.

519/16 Proposal to discuss the Christmas Tree Lighting event

Cllr Willcock reported that he is prepared to do the Christmas event in the village hall with the assistance of Mrs Codling; but not the lighting of the tree.

520/16 Update on Co-option of new Councillors

The Clerk reported that no one has come forward for the co-option of two new councillors.

521/16 To receive any items for information and future agenda items

- 1) Grass cutting
- 2) Litter picking
- 3) Christmas event
- 4) Flooding response

522/16 Time and date of next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on the 5th September 2016 at 7pm in the Clarborough Village Hall, Main Street, Clarborough.