

Minute 220

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 14th March 2018 - 7:30pm

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

Attendance: Parish Councillors – A Gilbert, J Hanslip, K Hiscock, J Melling, R Smith (Chairman), M Thomas, Clerk – Sue Porter, Johnnie Amos (DDC) and 1 member of the public

1.1 APOLOGIES – A Lee, S Osborne (NCC)

1.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS – Personal or Prejudicial - Nil

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 10th JANUARY 2018 – It was proposed by R Smith that these were a correct record of the meeting, seconded by J Melling and all voted in favour. The minutes were signed and dated by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Community Defibrillators - Training Date – Wednesday 21st March 7-9pm – An e-mail reminder will be sent out to the distribution list. There are currently 10 people registered to attend.

3.2 The Spinney – Risk Assessments have been received by the Chairman. These will be discussed again in July 2018, to record receipt on a six monthly basis.

4. PUBLIC TIME – The Spinney noticeboard requires some attention and the Committee are aware. Concerns have been raised with regards to the bus service cuts in the rural communities and the effect on the parishioners. The Clerk will find out some more information from NCC.

5. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

DDC (J Amos) – The Allotment transfer from DDC to the PC is nearing completion, with the terms and conditions to be agreed between both parties. Self-builders are being advised of the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) payments; which sees developers charged for the amount of floor space created by their new development. Self-build developers can claim exemption from CIL for new homes, annexes and extensions providing the correct paperwork is submitted to DDC in time. The Women's Cycle Tour is coming to the Daventry District again in 2018; on Thursday 14th June. Major retail development plans have been approved for Daventry. A recent fly-tipping case has seen a fine of £400 issued, after a home address was found amongst the bags of rubbish. The dog fouling campaign will continue in 2018, with the Paint Means Poo initiative. The Chairman advised that Buckby Lane, Whilton is a problem area and this is being investigated by DDC. The Big Poppy Plant scheme returns for 2018, after being a success in 2014. PC's are urged to apply for seeds by the end of March.

Concerns were raised by the PC that the road maintenance is a real concern, with pot holes particularly bad in places. The loss of the gritting in the rural communities will have a serious impact on the parish.

6. BUSINESS

6.1 Allotments – Transfer of Ownership – The Chairman has received the Heads of Terms from Peter Rollason (PC Solicitor). These have been issued by the DDC legal team and have raised 3 key points; a) the allotments are not to be used for anything other than gardening and allotment use, no landscaping is allowed; b) the base sum plus inflation will be agreed should any future sale occur; c) should any sale occur in the future, DDC will receive the money, less the purchase price, and this will also apply to any future sales. This leaves to DDC holding control over the land. This will be discussed and agreed at a meeting between both parties in the near future.

6.2 Village BT Telephone Box – It was agreed by all that the Telephone Box remains as is for the time being under the ownership of BT, who thereby remain responsible for the maintenance of this listed box.

6.3 NCC Pathfinder II Community Event 2018 – Concerns have been raised by the PC as to the implications to Whilton village from the flood maps which have been produced by the Environment Agency. The Clerk will contact them to find out how the information and subsequent risks have been agreed.

6.4 Litter Picking – Whilton PC will sign up to providing the litter picking service within the village from DDC for £160.00 per year. A litter pick will be arranged for Saturday 14th April at 10am. This will then be undertaken on a 6 monthly basis. Costs will be supplied by the Clerk for a litter bin to be provided for Whilton Locks, for the layby by the railway line.

6.5 DDC – Everybody Needs Good Neighbours Scheme – This will be promoted in the next Newsletter and discussed at the May meeting. Funding of up to £1,000 is available for the scheme set-up.

6.6 General Data Protection Regulations (2018) – NCALC are providing an overview of the new regulations and the PC's are advised to "watch and see". It has been advised that parish councillors use a dedicated parish council e-mail address, rather than their personal one. The Clerk will obtain costings for 7 e-mail addresses using @whiltonpc.co.uk.

7. FINANCE

The following accounts were approved by M Thomas, seconded by R Smith and all voted in favour.

7.1 Income/Expenditure Update & Bank Reconciliation from January & February 2018

7.2 Accounts Paid (January/February 2018):

Online	S Porter – Clerk's Salary January 18	£ 255.52	LGA 1972 s112
Online	123 Reg – Website	£ 23.98	LGA 1972 s111
Online	HMRC – 2017/18 Q3	£ 199.35	LGA 1972 s112
Online	R Smith – Chairman's Expenses	£ 25.00	LGA 1972 s111
DD	Anglian Water – Allotments	£ 16.14	SHAA 1908 ss23

7.3 Payments Received

Nat West	Interest (Dec/Jan)	£ 0.36
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7.4 Accounts to be paid:

Chq No 998	Citizens Advice (Daventry & District)	£ 250.00
Chq No 999	E-On – Street Lighting Oct-Dec 2017	£ 123.26

Bank Balance (as at 28.02.2018)	Total	£14,276.22
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8. PLANNING

DA/2017/1223 – Single storey rear extension – **Manor Barn, Manor Lane, Whilton**

No Objections

DA/2017/1224 – Listed Building Consent for single storey rear extension – **Manor Barn, Manor Lane, Whilton**

No Objections

DA/2018/0118 – Conversion of barn to residential accommodation, conversion of outbuilding to annexe, replacement of roof coverings – **Church Gate, The Green, Whilton**

No Objections

DA/2018/0119 – Listed Building Consent for removal of porch and internal alterations to Church Gate, conversion of barn and outbuildings and re-roofing of all buildings with slate and zinc –

Church Gate, The Green, Whilton

No Objections

9. DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 9th May 2018 – 7:30pm

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Wednesday 9th May 2018 – 6:30pm

Meeting Closed: 9pm