

# Colsterworth and District Parish Council

Notes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2015

## Public Forum

There were two members of the public present.

## Present:

Councillors: C Atter, D Hamilton-Hinds, M Cooper, A Wood, D Cox, F Selby, J Weston, C Russell, E Chapman, D Bellamy, J Walden, A Carsley

District and County Councillor Bob Adams, District Councillor Andrea Webster

Parish Clerk: John Hannam

All Parish Councillors are reminded that by law they are summoned to attend all Parish Council meetings. If they are unable to attend they must advise the Parish Clerk with a reason for non-attendance preferably before the meeting from which they will be absent – failure to forward this information means a Parish Councillor is shown as absent.

- PCSO Stuart Bowden gave his police report for May (appended to minutes)
- Colsterworth Trust Estates. Estate Manager Simon Allam along with Mike Sibthorpe outlined plans for partial development of the existing Woolsthorpe Road grassed area (the lease expired in 2014). The larger rear section with the play area and football frame will be gifted to the Parish Council. A further 6 acres of land for recreational purposes will be provided on a 50 year lease to the Parish Council located on Old Post Lane (south of the Village Hall and Social Club).
- Councillors gave their support for a joint planning application with CTE.

An exhibition will be held at the Village Hall for parishioners to view the plans in a couple of months (date to be agreed).

## 1. Apologies for absence and reasons given

None

## 2. Chairman's remarks

None

## 3. To receive declaration of interest in accordance with LGA 2000

None

## 4. Minutes of the previous meeting

Please note the minutes are distributed in note form each month to all Parish Councillors so that they may make comments and alterations via the Parish Clerk thus saving valuable time at the Parish Council's next meeting when approving the minutes. These were agreed.

## 5. Co-option to Parish Council

Mr Graham Henton was co-opted to represent Colsterworth Parish; Mrs Leane Sandison was co-opted to represent Gunby and Stainby Parish. There is one vacancy remaining for North Witham Parish.

## 6. Clerk's Report and items arising from the Minutes

- a) LCC Community Wildlife Grant. A grant has been offered and accepted of £300 towards tools for volunteers to work on the Nature Trail.
- b) Stainby speeding. The clerk will contact Road Safety Partnership to arrange a site meeting to establish where the best locations would be for Vehicle Activated Signs. Quotes will then be sought.
- c) Cycle Track project. The meeting with Community Voluntary Services (CVS) Heidi Hezeltine on 26 May was very positive. CVS will assist in seeking additional funders to cover the shortfall of £21K.
- d) Larkfleet Homes proposed street names for the new housing development were considered. Councillors selected "Hawthorne" and "Willow" in keeping with the adjacent "Woodlands" theme.
- e) Colsterworth primary school. Request for a council representative to join the School Governing Body is being considered.
- f) Twyford Wood. Clerk will write to the Chief Constable thanking the police for their efforts in closing down the recent unauthorised "RAVE".
- g) David Wilson Homes. LCC/SKDC are discussing a possible emergency link road onto School Lane from Watt Avenue. It is believed this is in order to carry out works to the culvert on Brunel Avenue. Clarification is being sought.
- h) The revised list of parish priorities is appended to these minutes.

## 7. Neighbourhood Plan

The Steering Group report is appended to these minutes. The residual balance of the Community Development Foundation of £688 has to be returned. A new funding grant application is in preparation. In the interim Councillors agreed a budget of £500. County Councillor Bob Adams kindly offered to fund this from the LCC Big Society Fund.

The monthly progress report is appended to these minutes.

## 8. Portfolio holders and Disciplinary and Grievance Panels

### **Portfolio holders:**

Planning: Councillors Jon Weston, Derek Cox, Arthur Carsley, Colin Russell

Finance: Councillors Derrick Hamilton-Hinds, Alan Wood

Amenities and Recreation/Environment: Councillors Margaret Cooper, Eloise Chapman, David Bellamy

### **Disciplinary and Grievance panels:**

Staffing panel: Councillors Derrick Hamilton-Hinds, Alan Wood

Appeals panel: Councillors John Walden, Derek Cox

## 9. Group Reports

None

## 10. Correspondence

Local Government Boundary Commission  
Twyford Wood "RAVE"

Electoral Review of Lincolnshire  
Parishioner recommendation to close the Wood to the public

## 11. Planning Applications

### **LCC PLANNING**

**The following applications were received:**

None

### **SKDC PLANNING**

**The following applications were received:**

S15/1341/HSH Mr Tony Vickers. Single storey detached garage, 4 Colsterworth Road, Stainby

S15/1343/HSH Mr C Smith. Front garage extension, 18 Colster way, Colsterworth

### **SKDC Planning Permission Approval**

S15/0824/HSH Mr G Pearson Single storey side extension, Bywater, Water Lane, North Witham

S15/0844/FULL Mr John Wand Erection of 30m self-supporting radio monitoring mast, Former Services, Great North Road, Colsterworth

S14/3430/TPO Acorn Care and Education. Work to trees protected by TPO. 13 Back Lane, Colsterworth

S14/1753/HSH Mr & Mrs C & T Duggan Retention of levelled rear garden, retaining walls and porch extension to side of dwelling. 30 Newton Way, Woolsthorpe by Colsterworth

S14/2745/FULL Ken Smithers, Eco Link Power Limited. Change of Use of part of agricultural storage depot to woodchip drying facility including installation of biomass boilers in existing buildings. Honey Pot Lane Colsterworth

### **SKDC Planning Refusal**

None

### **LCC Planning Approval**

None

## 12. FINANCE:

### **Accounts for Payment**

CHEQUE NUMBER	SUPPLIER	DETAILS	VALUE £'s
113139	D Hamilton-Hinds	In Touch editor (Feb/Mar/Apr)	150.00
103140	Campaign to Protect Rural England	Best Kept Village entry fee	20.00
103141	K Atter/M Robertshaw	Community cleaners	378.26
103142	JR Hannam	Clerk's salary and expenses	805.14
103143	Rick Webster Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting	321.60
103144	WG Harrison Ltd	In Touch	239.00
103145	G Brumpton	Village maintenance	660.00
103146	Community Lincs	Play inspection course	54.00

103147	Eurooffice Ltd	Stationery	110.74
103148	Community Development Foundation	Return grant balance	688.00
103149	Signpost Solutions Ltd	Speed sign fixings	63.08
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 3,489.82</b>

**APPROVED by Parish Council****Summary of Accounts:**

Income	22,343.34
Expenditure	8,231.03
Excess Income over Expenditure	<b>£ 14,112.31</b>

**Bank balances at 30th May 2015**

HSBC: Community Account	31,177.70
High Interest Account	34,116.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 65,293.88</b>

**Included in the above balances:**

<b>Community Fund</b>	<b>914.31</b>
<b>Recreational Fund</b>	<b>5,865.75</b>
<b>Newton Project</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 7,780.06</b>

**Not included in above balances:**

**Memo: reported balance of Youth Club Funds £2,879.64**

**11. Matters requiring attention (e.g. potholes and faulty streetlights)**

A151 kerb erosion and potholes adjacent to A1 Truckstop  
 B676 Bourne Road (near roundabout)  
 B676 Stainby Road  
 Reads Lane kerb erosion  
 Bull Lane hedges and riverside  
 Water Lane unfinished work by Western Power  
 Old Post Lane warning signs "Children's play area"  
 Watt Avenue (east) footpath corner barriers  
 Post Lane kerbside potholes

**12. Any Other Business**

**None**

**There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05 pm**

**Signed Chairman**

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS AT  
 7.30PM ON THE 7th July 2015**

**Attendance to date (May to April – annual maximum 10)**

	<u>Attended</u>	<u>Apologies</u>	<u>Absent</u>
C Atter	2		
M Cooper	2		
A Wood	2		
E Chapman	2		
D Hamilton-Hinds	2		
J Weston	2		
A Carsley	1	1	
D Cox	2		
D Bellamy	2		
C Russell	2		
J Walden	2		
F Selby	1	1	

**Colsterworth and District Parish Council****Priority Projects 2015/16**

Introduction:

The Colsterworth and District Parish Council agreed the following list of Priority Tasks and Projects for 2015/16 at their Parish Council meeting on 12th May 2015.

1. DWH/Barratt Homes Contribution: Balance of funds available £5,865.75. To be used for recreational purposes.
  - a) Nature Trail (old railway land) continue to improve facilities for recreation and wildlife and fauna
  - b) Play areas: review and prepare refurbishment plans
2. Neighbourhood Plan: WIP - Support and monitor Steering Group progress.
3. Colsterworth Police Station: continue dialogue with Police Authority in seeking acquisition/lease for a shared facility
4. Acquire Land for Recreational Purposes: Pursue negotiations with local land owners
5. Endeavour to have Public Footpath 14 opened as per the definitive map
6. North Witham Speed Restrictions: continue to lobby LCC Highways to secure speed restrictions
7. Parish Emergency Plan: Seek approval of plan
8. Cycle Path to Twyford Wood: On-going. Dependant on funding - pursue provision with LCC.
9. Parish Street Lighting: review dark area on School Lane
10. Derelict Building next to White Lion on Colsterworth High Street: On-going

## Police Report – Colsterworth Parish Meeting 02/06/2015

12/05/2015 – 02/06/2015

Total reported incidents since last meeting 74

Traffic related	24 / 34%
Suspicious Circumstances	12 / 16%
Concern for Safety	3 / 4%
Abandoned Calls	0 / 0%
Violence	1 / 1%
Admin / Messages	22 / 30%
ASB	3 / 4%
Criminal Damage	3 / 4%
Drugs	4 / 5%
Burglary	0 / 0%
Theft	2 / 2%
Wildlife / Animal	0 / 0%

### **ASB**

Abandoned vehicle A1 services

Ravers in garden – Colster Way

Vehicle nuisance – A1 services

### **Criminal Damage**

2 x Twyford Woods

The Eyrie – A1 junction north bound

### **Drugs**

4 x Twyford Woods

### **Admin Messages / Pre-planned Events**

22 x All related to Twyford Woods

### **Burglary**

NIL

### **Theft**

Drive-off from A1 services (petrol)

Twyford Woods –person searched and credits cards / I.D. in other names found

**Violence**

Stephenson Close

**Wildlife / Animal**

Nil

**Concern for Safety**

2 x A1 services

Meadow Close

**Suspicious Circumstances**

9 x Twyford Woods

Bridge End 3 males, one appeared injured

Woolsthorpe road – male with push bike

Please continue to report on strange persons, vehicles or activities

**Twyford Woods**

50 of the reported incidents over the period are linked to events at Twyford Woods over the Bank Holiday weekend. Those 50 reported incidents do not fully reflect the severity of the problems arising from the illegal rave.

Once the operation was up and running to be able to manage and monitor the ever changing requirements and concerns for public and officer safety the incident ran on a single incident number. This incident therefore has multiple events listed and recorded on it, thus there appears a difference in the number of reported incidents and the actual number of calls and events recorded.

Investigations are continuing in to who was responsible for arranging and promoting the event and who owns and provided the sound equipment that was seized at the time the rave took place.

**Off Road Bikes**

Please report any use of Off-Road / Trail bikes in and around the Parish, if it is possible to identify a number (if fitted) please try and take some if not all of the registration. Otherwise please record any identifying features of the bike and or rider, helmet colour / designs, bike markings and condition etc.

**Doors and Windows**

Across the rural area surrounding Grantham there have been approximately 15 incidents where a shed has been broken in to and searched or items stolen, in the same period there have been only a couple of thefts from houses. Sheds are very difficult to secure, ultimately timber boards can be prised off if the padlock / hasp cannot be forced. Houses however, are generally far more secure, especially in winter months when doors and window are kept shut, with the arrival of summer the opportunist thefts reappear, as doors and windows are left insecure in the improving weather.