

# Colsterworth and District Parish Council

## Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015

### Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

### Present:

Councillors: C Atter, D Hamilton-Hinds, M Cooper, A Wood, A Carsley, B Scorrer, J Walden, D Cox, J Weston, I Greenwood, C Russell

District and County Councillor Bob Adams

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.

### 1. Apologies for absence and reasons given

Councillors J Clark (work), P Cox (work)

District Councillor Martin Wilkins (South Witham PC meeting)

Absent: Councillor F Selby

### 2. Chairman's remarks

None

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

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

- a) *Bridge End hedges and verges*. Thanks were expressed by a parishioner for the excellent work in cutting back and tidying of verges at Bridge End.
- b) Scarecrow festival. The Focus Group will be holding a scarecrow festival to complement fete at Millfield House
- c) Parish Elections: Nomination packs were issued to councillors wishing to stand for the May 7<sup>th</sup> elections. SKDC will provide posters later in March for notice boards.
- d) Application to LCC Community Wildlife Grant has been lodged for £378.63 towards the cost of a further bench for the nature trail.
- e) Woolsthorpe Playing Field. The 60 year lease on the field expired on April 6<sup>th</sup> 2014. Discussions with Colsterworth Trust Estates are in progress as to future development and alternative recreational facilities.
- f) Nottingham Housing Association has not replied to a second invitation to address the parish council.
- g) LCC Highways area manager met with the clerk to discuss the program for 2015/2016. This will include patch repairs and top dressing to Woolsthorpe Road (River Witham bridge to Skillington Road crossroads).
- h) Village signs. Houghton's Lane and Steel's Lane signs have been installed. "Woolsthorpe by Colsterworth" sign has been placed on Old Post Lane near to the parish cemetery.
- i) Buckminster Estate have confirmed that they have no plans to develop land in and around our villages.
- j) Additional dog bin requested for the nature trail adjacent to the kissing gate (midway point). Approved.
- k) Public Footpath 14. No information has been received from LCC regarding commencement of proceedings either by the parish council or parishioner Neil Bennett. NB has notified LCC that the next step in the Section 130 notice process will be to apply to the Magistrates Court for an order to remove the obstructions. Councillors supported this action.

### 6. Neighbourhood Plan

A report from the Neighbourhood Plan steering group was made by Councillor Colin Russell and is appended to these minutes.

### 7. Group Reports

None

### 8. Correspondence

LCC Highways. Temporary road closure 30/3/15 – 01/04/15 Read's Lane, Woolsthorpe by Colsterworth

## 9. Planning Applications

### LCC PLANNING

The following applications were received:

None

### SKDC PLANNING

The following applications were received:

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

S15/0488/HSH Mr & Mrs A Jones Erection of porch and single storey extension to dwelling Mill Farm, 5 Stainby Road, Colsterworth

S15/0354/HSH Mr Andrew Birch Erection of retaining wall and shed 4 The Ropewalk, Colsterworth

S15/0313/HSH Mr A Turner Erection of first floor rear extension to dwelling The Knoll, 1 Bridge End, Colsterworth

S15/0369/TPO Mr N Turner Removal of two sycamore trees and reduction in crown of sycamore to 4m and 2m adjacent to 11 Back Lane. The Rectory, School Lane, Colsterworth

### SKDC Planning Permission Approval

S15/0017/HSH Mr C Hallam Single storey front extension. 9 Brunel Avenue, Colsterworth

### SKDC Planning Refusal

None

### LCC Planning Approval

None

## 10. FINANCE:

### Accounts for Payment

CHEQUE NUMBER	SUPPLIER	DETAILS	VALUE £'s
103106	K Atter/M Robertshaw	Community Cleaners	374.26
103107	JR Hannam	Clerk's salary & Expenses	682.97
103108	JR Hannam (Naturescape/B&Q)	Wild flower seed/Postcrete/posts	244.78
103109	WG Harrison Ltd	In Touch	239.00
103110	D Marson	Allotment hedges	86.76
103112	D Cox	Electric sockets (Xmas lights)	19.51
103113	D Hamilton-Hinds	Website annual registrations	24.18
103114	G Brumpton	Village maintenance	808.00
103115	Glasdon UK Ltd	Dog Bin	182.61
103116	Community Lincs	Subscription (3 years)	110.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 2,772.07</b>

### APPROVED by Parish Council

#### Summary of Accounts:

Income	50,965.57
Expenditure	61,678.17
Excess Income over Expenditure	£ -10,712.60

#### Bank balances at 28th February 2015

HSBC: Community Account	16,036.44
High Interest Account	34,083.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 50,120.37</b>

#### Included in the above balances:

<b>Neighbourhood Plan Fund</b>	<b>688.13</b>
<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>£ 8,468.19</b>

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

Potholes along Woolsthorpe Road

**12. Any Other Business**

Councillor John Walden stated that volunteers were required to help clean the church on Wednesdays between 10am and Noon.

**There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.07 pm**

**Signed**

**Chairman**

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

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

	<u>Attended</u>	<u>Apologies</u>	<u>Absent</u>
C Atter	9		
M Cooper	9		
A Wood	9		
I Greenwood	8	1	
D Hamilton-Hinds	9		
J Weston	8	1	
A Carsley	8	1	
D Cox	8	1	
P Cox		4	5
B Palmer	1		
C Russell	8	1	
W Scorrer	8	1	
J Clark	4	5	
J Walden	7	2	
F Selby	3	2	

To: Colsterworth and District Parish Council

From: Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering group

## Neighbourhood Development Plan

### Progress Report

February 2015

- a) DC, CR and AdV attended the very useful SKDC briefings on the new Local Plan.
- b) A Project Co-ordinator is needed to bring together the various elements of the Draft Plan. After meeting MS and AdeV to discuss the role, Liz Kunen, who had offered to help after the public meeting in November, has kindly agreed to take this on. She has had project management experience.
- b) On 25<sup>th</sup> February a meeting of steering group members and six of the people from the parish who have volunteered to help with the plan, was briefed by Bob Keith on good practice in preparing the First Draft of the Plan. Bob has provided a framework of questions and suggestions which has proved useful for many of the 30+ groups which he supports. By the end of the meeting a draft Vision Statement emerged which was informed by the comments and initial results from the NP questionnaire survey, plus group discussion. A follow-up meeting will be on 16<sup>th</sup> March at Woolsthorpe Manor.
- c) On 17<sup>th</sup> February DHH, JH, AdeV and Bob Adams had an encouraging joint PC + NP Steering Group meeting with the Managing Director of Buckminster Estate and the Estate's consultant on land development. The purpose was to find out the Estate's current thinking on their future developments in the Parish especially in the context of the NP. There are no specific projects planned but in the long term some limited infill housing may be developed, plus some small scale employment opportunities, particularly at Sewstern Industrial Estate and/or on the "island" site by the junction of Bourne Road, the flyover and the A1 northbound.
- d) The Steering group have contacted Jane Ostler about local people like her who are qualified to offer us objective expertise on the aspects of landscape and local wild life which we may want to emphasise as being worth protecting from future developments.

Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group

28 February 2015