

Colsterworth and District Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th October 2014

Public Forum

There were 2 members of the public present.

Present:

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

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.

Prior to the meeting PCSO Stuart Bowden reported on local crime. To be published in the “In Touch” October edition.

1. Apologies for absence and reasons given

Councillors P Cox (medical), J Walden (hols)

District Councillor Martin Wilkins (South Witham PC meeting)

Absent: None

2. Chairman’s remarks

Chairman welcomed Councillor Fran Selby to the council.

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. Dr Leon Roberts – “LIVES” First Responders

Dr Leon Roberts explained the role of first responders and how the community could benefit from having a group of 7 or 8 persons who would be able to respond quickly to medical emergencies within the community. Increasing the demands on the Ambulance service means that they are on occasions unable to attend as quickly as they would like. “LIVES” is an organisation that will train local volunteers to be able to provide initial aid prior to the arrival of the emergency services.

6. Village Speed Limits

The LCC “Task and finish group” has made their report regarding rural speed limits. A copy of the report is awaited.

7. “In Touch” – Editors remuneration

The “In Touch” magazine should be self-funding. That is to say that the advertising receipts should offset the printing and administrative cost. It takes the editor 8 – 10 hours each month to prepare the type and adverts prior to be sent to the press. The council determined that it was reasonable that a nominal sum of £50 a month be paid to the editor.

8. Clerk’s Report and items arising from the Minutes

a) Colsterworth Village Hall. Reply regarding the grant application is awaited.

b) Christmas Lights. The “switch-on” of the lights at St Johns the Baptist Church will be officiated by Maurice and Elizabeth Daniels on Friday 5th December at 6.00pm. This will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies at the White Lion courtesy of Madeleine and Dave Smith.

c) Youth Club. A payment of £1000 was received against the loan for refurbishment. Balance outstanding £4994.62. In addition the YC committee made a contribution the reception area railings of £993. Thank you.

d) Data Protection. Annual subscription fee £35 was approved.

e) Nature Reserve. Notice board at the east end of the footpath has been erected noting the history of the railway line. The entrance will be stepped and railed.

- f) Colster Way green. Railings are completed. Dog exclusion control order applied for. Land Registry in progress. Surface repairs to the play area have been ordered and will be actioned as soon as possible.
- g) Spring Lane (Public footpath 20). The bollards have been reduced in height and a waste bin will be provided near to the bench opposite the River Witham.
- h) B676 Stainby Road. Some hedges have been trimmed but more to be done in order for signage to be visible.
- i) LCC Highways. Bourne Road Estate. Resurfacing work completed.
- j) Cycle Track to Twyford Wood. LCC Highways in association with KIER have committed to provide a quote by the 23 October for the work to provide a cycle/pedestrian track to Twyford Wood along the A151.
- k) Village "special" waste collection request. SKDC and LCC no longer provide the facility for a special Saturday collection of waste for parishioners. There is a very good waste disposal facility provided by SKDC off Harlaxton Road in Grantham which is available to all. Large items can be collected by SKDC at minimal cost. **NO FLY TIPPING PLEASE.**
- l) Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB). There has been a spate of petty vandalism in Colsterworth and Woolsthorpe for the last few months. Police are aware. Parishioners should report any suspicions to the police.
- j) Public footpaths. The parish maintain many of the public footpaths in our villages with the help of small grants from LCC. This includes grass cutting and weeds and shrub trimming. Trees are more difficult as many are on private property and are the responsibility of the land owner not the council. Dog owners: please do not allow your dogs to foul the footpaths and if they do pick it up. It is an offence to allow a dog to foul in public places and parishioners are urged to report those that do not conform to the Environmental Enforcement Officer at SKDC 01476 406080
- k) Remembrance Sunday is on the 9th November at the War Memorial on the High Street Colsterworth. The police have been requested to attend to close the High Street for the service.

9. Neighbourhood Plan

In the region of 27% of questionnaires have been returned to date - more would have been welcome. These will be analysed and a consultation document prepared and printed; distribute for the 6 week consultation period; organise referendum with SKDC.

10. Group Reports

None

11. Correspondence

Colsterworth Church Isaac Newton Project Thank you note re. PC pledge £1000
 Daraton 2000 Ltd (letters dated 12th Sept & 3 Oct 2014) comments ref. 36 Newton Way planning development
 LCC Highways Temporary road closure (1 day) for resurfacing works: Water Lane Stainby late October

12. Planning Applications

LCC PLANNING

The following applications were received:

None

SKDC PLANNING

The following applications were received:

S14/2691/HSH Mr Ray Cox Single storey side and rear extensions with rooflights, 8 Northern Close, North Witham
 S14/2745/FULL Mr K Smithers, Eco Link Power Ltd 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 Permission Approval

S14/2279/HSH Mr C Dexter Erection of replacement porch front of dwelling, 2 Woodlands Drive, Colsterworth
 S14/2185/FULL Mrs J Hincks Change of use from agriculture to domestic garden, land behind 8,10,12 Stamford Road, Colsterworth
 S14/2353/HSH Mr & Mrs J Jackson Single storey extension and single storey side extension, Tower Hill Farm, Water Lane, Stainby
 S14/2246/FULL Acorn Care and Education Alterations and change of use to allow occupation by two additional adults, 13 Back Lane, Colsterworth
 S14/2275/TCA Mr & Mrs K Smithers Reduce tree heights, Brook Place, Water Lane, Woolsthorpe by Colsterworth

SKDC Planning Refusal

None

SKDC Planning Withdrawal

None

LCC Planning Approval

None

13. FINANCE:**Accounts for Payment**

CHEQUE NUMBER	SUPPLIER	DETAILS	VALUE £'s
103048	K Atter/M Robertshaw	Community Cleaners (Sept)	374.26
103049	JR Hannam	Clerk's salary & Expenses	757.95
103050	Rick Webster	Grass cutting (May – Aug)	2179.20
103051	Eurooffice Ltd	stationery	34.52
103052	WG Harrison Ltd	In Touch	239.00
103053	WG Harrison Ltd	Neighbourhood Plan - printing	598.80
103054	Eurooffice Ltd	Neighbourhood Plan - envelopes	10.67
103055	G Brumpton	Village Maintenance	585.00
103056	HMRC	PAYE (July/Aug/Sept)	756.72
103057	M & C Fabrications Ltd	Village signs (frames)	612.00
103058	Jas Martin Diocesan Trust	allotments	135.00
103059	Colsterworth Trust Estates	allotments	10.00
103060	J Hill & Co Ltd	Railings	11829.60
DD	Anglian Water	Allotments – Stamford Road	37.60
DD	Anglian Water	Allotments – Woolsthorpe Road	20.88
		TOTAL	£ 18,181.20

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

Income	24,669.93
Expenditure	42,945.90
Excess Income over Expenditure	£ -18,275.97

Bank balances at 30th September 2014

HSBC: Community Account	5,743.72
High Interest Account	52,083.93
Total	£57,827.65

Included in the above balances:

Neighbourhood Plan Fund	3,037.85
Community Fund	914.31
Recreational Fund	5,865.75
TOTAL	£ 9,817.91

Memo: 2014/2015 Project proposed spend

Cycle Track (11% for WREN grant £65K)	7,100
Nature Trail (old railway land)	5,000
Recreational	15,000
Riverside footpath improvements	2,000
North Witham – speed restrictions	2,000
TOTAL	£31,000

NOTE: HALF YEAR FINANCIAL REVIEW APPENDED**14. Matters requiring attention (e.g. potholes and faulty streetlights)**

- ASB – Newton Way road sign
- Allotment hedge – Woolsthorpe Road
- Rectory Lane , North Witham road surface
- School Lane; Back Lane; Woolsthorpe Road – surface repairs
- Dog fouling. Chestnut Grove to Back Lane footpath; Bourne Road to Colster Way footpath
- Handrail from jitty footpath to VH and SC

15. Any Other Business

None

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.48 pm

Signed**Chairman**

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS AT
7.30PM ON THE 4th November 2014**

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

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

COLSTERWORTH AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL		
FORECAST INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - 31st MARCH 2015		
(As at 30th September 2014 - excludes VAT)	BUDGET	FORECAST
INCOME	2014/15	2014/15
Precept	28548	28548
Bank Investment Interest	20	20
Allotments/paddock	1200	1498
Old Post Lane Cemetery	500	665
"In Touch" magazine advertising	3500	3500
Youth Club - loan repayment	1000	1000
Community Cleaners	3400	3400
LCC Grant - grass cutting	1190	1190
LCC Parish Paths	750	750
SKDC Grant - Closed Cemetery	484	484
Total Income	£ 40,592	£ 41,055
EXPENDITURE		
Clerk's cost	9679	9679
Play areas maintenance	950	950
Allotments	1400	1400
LCC grass cutting (RW + GB)	1750	1850
"In Touch" magazine printing	2900	2900
Sundry	250	250
Village grass cutting	1000	1000
Village maintenance	7000	7000
Old Post Lane cemetery	750	750
Closed cemetery	754	754
LCC Vehicle Activated Sign	300	300
Postage	200	250
Telephone/Broadband	500	500
Office/stationery	750	750
Insurance	669	669
LALC subscriptions	425	425
Audit fees	400	400
Grants	2000	2000
Street lights	3000	1700
Community Cleaners	5000	5000
Total Expenditure	£ 39,677	£ 38,527
INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	£ 915	£ 2,528
PROJECT SPEND		
Cycle track (11% for WREN grant £65K) subject to s	7,100	7,100
Railway land	5,000	3,000
Play equipment	15,000	10,000
Riverside improvements	2,000	2,500
North Witham - speed restrictions (subject to legisla	2,000	2,000
Total	31,100	24,600
Neighbourhood Plan	4,338	4,338
Community Fund (village signs)	1,934	1,500
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OF OVER INCOME	-£ 36,457	-£ 27,910