

SELSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on **Monday, 30 October 2017** at 7.00pm at the Underwood Community Centre, Church Lane, Underwood..

Present

Cllr J Banks
Cllr B Briggs
Cllr S Fletcher
Cllr S Hey
Cllr A Justice
Cllr D Justice (Vice Chair)

Cllr D Martin (also NCC)
Cllr J O'Byrne
Cllr P Pilgrim
Cllr C Quinn-Wilcox (also ADC)
Cllr D Wilson
Cllr S Wilson (Chair) (also ADC)

Apologies:

Cllr S Alvey – work commitments
Cllr M Ashmore - illness
Cllr J Butler - work commitments
Cllr C Chapman (also ADC) – work commitments

Cllr D Hodgman - Holiday
Cllr B Jackson - Holiday
Cllr S Jackson- Holiday
Cllr R Young

Also present: Lisa Simpson (Clerk), Lorraine Griffiths (RFO), Tracey Kirkland-Walker (Assistant Clerk) and 17 members of the public.

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies were received as above

2. **To receive declarations of interest from Councillors**
Cllr D Justice – item 18 non pecuniary
Cllr Martin – items 10 and 18 non pecuniary
Cllr P Pilgrim – item 14 non pecuniary
Cllr S Wilson – item 10 pecuniary

3. **Members of the public are invited to address the Council**
There were no questions for the full Council.

4. **Policing**
Simon Gazzard gave an overview of the 239 incidents rang in over the last month. He highlighted the asb on Woodnook Recreation Ground over the last two weeks and there is now a Dispersal Order in place. The police are working with local shops and schools but some of the offenders do not live in the Parish.
The speed camera van will definitely be in Selston next month.
A Community Speed watch training session has been held and if anyone else is interested they should contact Simon or the Parish Clerk.
Simon will be at the Xmas light switch on supporting Neighbourhood Watch and giving away timer plugs for lights and ultra violet markers to id possessions. The 'give aways' are also available from the office of the Parish Council.

'No Trick or Treat' posters have been distributed throughout the Parish and they can also be collected from the Parish office.

There have been a few distraction burglaries in the last month but the offender has been identified through CCTV in Underwood and his details have been circulated as a wanted person. His van should be picked up by the ANPR cameras.

Simon asked if anyone had elderly neighbours who would benefit from a visit from him to let him know.

5. To approve the minutes of the full council meeting held on Monday, 25 September 2017
The minutes were proposed and the vote was carried.

RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the full council meeting held on 25 September 2017 as a true record.

6. Speeding in the Parish

Cllr D Justice thanked the Clerk for ordering the 'it's 30 for a reason' signs as they are now in place on Alfreton Rd Selston and Alfreton Rd Underwood.

It was confirmed that the Community Speed watch is starting up again and the speed Camera van will be in the Parish over the next month.

7. Correspondence received as per list attached to the Agenda

The following comments were made:

Item 3 – Girl Guide fundraising – As the Parish Council cannot give donations to an individual it was agreed to give the paintball tickets for a fundraiser.

Item 5 – Request for views on purchasing a pit coal truck – Cllr D Justice felt this was a project that UCAN could take on. Cllr D Martin stated that the National Mining Museum would donate a truck but it would need to be maintained.

Item 6 – Suggestion of new footpath – Cllr D Martin requested that the email is forwarded to him to follow up at Notts County Council.

Item 9 – Via Winter service offers – The Clerk was instructed to check where the grit is stored that was organised by Gail Turner when she was on the Parish and County Council.

Item 16 – Walking to better health re Lawn Bridge Project support from Selston Parish Council – Cllr D Martin stated that this project has been ongoing for a long time and the Parish Council does support it but it's down to funding. The Heritage Lottery has been applied to but they are not willing to fund a new bridge but would fund to restore an old one. The Lawn Bridge Committee is now arranging an archaeological dig to uncover the old footings for the stone bridge.

Cllr D Martin also mentioned that the potential bridge is in Derbyshire and there is already a bridge over the Erewash in Nottinghamshire which is why Notts County Council has not shown an interest in funding.

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust has given permission to Cromford Canal & Codnor Park Reservoir to install the wooden footbridge which is now in place.

Item 17 – Overhanging trees on Middlebrook Rd – It was agreed to ask ADC if they could do the required works and discuss at the next Council meeting.

Item 18 – to reunite 1st World war medal with Hand family – Clerk to contact Jenny Hand.

Item 20 – Brinsley Neighbourhood Plan request for potential sites meeting – Cllr D Justice explained that one of the criteria of Greenbelt is to prevent the coalescence of villages. If the Cordy Lane site was selected it would be in breach of the Greenbelt. It was agreed

that a meeting be arranged between the JUST Steering Group members and the Brinsley Steering Group members and report back to full council.

Item 22 – Resident concern over telephone mast – the Clerk was instructed to reply informing of the consultation process and that the Parish Council are satisfied that they did all they could to consult. Any concerns should now be raised with Ashfield District Council Planning Dept.

8. Finance

Cost Code 4250 Capital Expenditure RG showing an overspend of £17419 was explained as payment towards the floodlights but the grant has now been received which will show in Octobers accounts.

There were no further questions on the accounts.

RESOLVED: To accept the accounts for September 2017.

9. Feedback from Finance meeting

Draft Minutes of the Finance meeting held on 18th October 2017 had previously been emailed to all councillors.

CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund – Details have been emailed to all councillors. Clerk advised that Mark Davies could present the fund to the Council on the 8th or 18th December and she and Cllr B Briggs have already attended his presentations. Local Parish Councils, Newark Town Council and Nottinghamshire ALC have investments with CCLA.

Cllr J O'Byrne proposed that Selston Parish Council invest in the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund as it was established by the Local Government Association. All were in favour.

RESOLVED: That Selston Parish Council invest in the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund

Pension Deficit – Cllr J O'Byrne explained that the Government has changed the rules which have created the deficit. Selston Parish Council is part of a pooled group which is low on funding and the deficit has to be paid. A summary has been emailed to all councillors.

Parish Facilities Working Party meeting 8th November 2017 11am Selston Parish Hall – Those who have volunteered to be on the working party will look at all the parish buildings and recreation grounds and put together proposals for the future so that the Finance Strategy and budget can be produced.

Review of Hire Charges – Hire charges have not increased since 2014 so it was proposed to increase Community Rate by 50 pence per hour and Commercial Rate by £1 per hour. The Clerk informed that based on hours booked for this year at least £4000 extra income would be raised. The vote was carried.

RESOLVED: To increase the hire charges at Parish Council facilities from 1st April 2018 by 50 pence per hour for Community Rate and £1 per hour for Commercial rate.

10. Selection of Solicitor for telephone mast lease

Cllr S Wilson left the meeting as he had declared an interest.

The Clerk informed that shared Access will pay a fees contribution of £2000 if LCF Law are selected as the Parish Council's solicitor or £500 if the Parish Council selects another solicitor.

The Clerk has received estimated quotes from 2 solicitors of £1500 and £1000. After discussion it was proposed to select the solicitor who quoted £1000 and the vote was carried.

RESOLVED: To instruct Chapman & Chubb solicitors to arrange the lease with Shared Access for the telephone mast.

11. First Aid Training

Quotes have been received for First Aid Training as the staffs current certificates expire in February 2018.

It was agreed to check the suitability of First Aid Courses at Ashfield Play Forum, as their courses are free, and report back at the next Council meeting.

12. Portland Green

Cllr S Wilson said he would like to consult with the residents along Portland Green with regards to planting trees down the centre of the green and in 4 to 5 years time remove the existing ones. It was agreed to do a consultation.

13. County Council Update

Cllr D Martin informed that the review of the Sure Start Centres is in its early stages but each one will be individually assessed.

Pot holes are repaired with a 'Via quick Fix' method when reported, then surfaced correctly at a later date. Cllr D Martin is awaiting a response from Via about the method used. The state of the roads is a national issue and is due to a large increase in the amount of vehicles on the roads and lack of funding from the government.

The embargo has been lifted on the sale of Selston Golf Course so Notts County Council is now talking to Ashfield District Council. Cllr D Martin has been told that the Golf Course is closing but not shutting.

Cllr S Fletcher requested that the District Councillors also provide updates from Ashfield on the Golf Course.

Cllr D Martin has not heard any more from the Civil Parking Partnership.

14. Recreation Grounds

Jacksdale – Cllr P Pilgrim presented a plan for Stage 1 of improvements at Jacksdale Recreation Ground which is to reinstate the area provided for up to age 7years. The plan was approved by the Finance Committee on 18th October 2017.

The quote is £17800. There is £13905 ear marked reserves for Jacksdale Recreation Ground, £2387 from the Green wells contingency and the remainder could come from grounds maintenance budget. Cllrs voted to accept Stage 1. There will be a public consultation to decide what is included in Stage 2.

RESOLVED: To accept the quote of £17800 for Stage 1 of improvements at Jacksdale Recreation Ground.

Underwood – Awaiting quotes for the skate park area.

15. Planning Applications

RESOLVED: No comments to be submitted on any of the planning applications

16. Allotments – No report received

17. Community Centre

Toilet block at Pavilion – The Clerk informed that the requirements are 1 toilet and 2 urinals for males and 2 female toilets, the disabled toilet in the pavilion could count as 1 of the female toilets. A price of £3000 has been quoted for a second hand 3 +1 site toilet block. It was agreed to check the standards and obtain a price for a new block to discuss it with planning at ADC and report back to next council meeting

Surveyors report on Underwood Community Centre – As per Finance meeting minutes Cllr J O'Byrne is investigating UPVC cladding.

Little Red Robin Hood – Children's Theatre production to be held at Selston Parish Hall Saturday 16th December 2017 3pm.

18. Update on Neighbourhood Plan – The Neighbourhood Plan Referendum on 12th October 2017 resulted in a 83% vote in favour of the Plan. The Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Jane Banks stated that she was proud to have been part of something which is for the Community and said a few words as attached to these minutes.

19. Date of next meeting – Monday, 27 November 2017 at 7.00pm at Old Council Offices, Alfreton Road, NG16 6DJ

Cllr S Fletcher reminded everyone of the RCAN meetings at Underwood on 13th November, Jacksdale on 17th November and Selston OCO on 20th November all starting at 7pm.

20. Confidential Items

None

Meeting Closed at 20:50 hrs