

## **SELSTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes** of meeting of the Parish Council held on **Monday, 27 November 2017** at 7.00pm at the Old Council Offices, Alfreton Road, Selston.

### Present

Cllr M Ashmore

Cllr J Banks

Cllr C Chapman (also ADC)

Cllr S Fletcher

Cllr S Hey

Cllr B Jackson

Cllr S Jackson

Cllr A Justice

Cllr D Justice (Vice Chair)

Cllr D Martin (also NCC)

Cllr J O'Byrne

Cllr P Pilgrim

Cllr C Quinn-Wilcox

Cllr D Wilson

Cllr S Wilson (Chair) (also ADC)

Cllr R Young

### Apologies:

Cllr S Alvey - work

Cllr J Butler

Cllr D Hodgman - Holiday

Also present: Lisa Simpson (Clerk), Lorraine Griffiths (RFO), Tracey Kirkland-Walker (Assistant Clerk) and 19 members of the public.

### 1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received as above

### 2. To receive declarations of interest from Councillors

Cllr Ashmore – item 11 non-pecuniary

Cllr S Jackson – item 13 non-pecuniary

Cllr Martin – items 13, 16 and 17 non-pecuniary

### 3. Policing

PCSO Simon Gazzard gave an overview of the 223 incidents rang in over the last month. The police would like to start pub watch in the Rurals and landlords have already been consulted with a view to starting in the New Year.

An alcohol partnership has been set up with shops and schools working with teenagers. Speed watch has been rebranded as Community Road Safety. Simon will be trained on the new scheme and then roll it out in the Parish.

Operation decelerate was successfully run throughout the Parish last weekend, with one paid member of staff, utilising the services of police cadets and specials.

Fires on Jacksdale Nature Reserve have become a problem so residents and retailers are asked to secure any rubbish and not leave it outside.

### 4. Members of the public are invited to address the Council

Cllr D Justice reiterated that the objectives of public speaking time was to provide an opportunity for members of the public to highlight problems and issues which are affecting the Parish. There may not be an immediate answer but it is an opportunity to bring things



to the attention of the whole council. It is not an opportunity to ask a question of an individual councillor. All questions are directed at the Chair and may be thrown open to the full council at the Chairman's discretion. Ideas can also be presented at this stage of the meeting and advance notification in writing to the Clerk is preferred as it allows the idea to be discussed in advance and presented on the agenda.

A Jacksdale resident asked if they could have a larger Christmas tree at Jacksdale. Cllr C Chapman asked her to speak to him at the end of the meeting as it was not a parish council matter.

Cllr S Wilson stated that Ashfield District Council was responsible for the tree this year but next year it will be a parish event and asked the resident to leave her contact details with the Clerk. Cllr D Justice stated that there are similar concerns in Underwood.

A Selston resident complained about speeding and road rage on Portland Road which had been reported to the police. Cllr Wilson said the issues have been raised on Portland Road and the Clerk informed that the 'Its 30 for a reason signs' have been put up on Portland Road and Notts County Council will be installing equipment for a speed survey.

5. Proposal for Micro Brewery in Jacksdale

The future owner of Ivy's shop in Jacksdale has met with the Clerk and would like to inform the council of his proposal to open a Micro pub. He was not present.

6. To approve the minutes of the full council meeting held on Monday, 30 October 2017

**RESOLVED:** To accept the minutes of the full council meeting held on 30 October 2017 as a true record.

7. Correspondence received as attached to the Agenda

1- Community payback assistance approved

2- Palladian Homes to be discussed at item 13

3- Clerk & Cllr D Hodgman are attending info event on new NCC funding

5- Cllrs voted for the Circus to be held at Jacksdale Recreation ground as there are highway concerns regarding parking at Woodnook.

12- Notts Fire & Rescue Service public consultation which closes 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017 was discussed at length. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a letter from Selston Parish Council after liaising with Cllr R Young, expressing their concerns for public safety. Everyone was encouraged to take part in the online consultation as it is direct to the fire service the link is in the ADC newsletter delivered to every house. Cllr C Quinn-Wilcox proposed that she would set up a petition from the Parish of Selston which could be placed in the Parish Office to send to the Fire Service. Her proposal was voted on and approved.

11- Cllr S Hey asked if the Affordable Warmth Grant from ADC could be better promoted. Clerk informed that copies of the leaflets are in all the Community Centres and it is advertised in the ADC newsletter delivered to every house.

15- NCC Statement of Community Involvement previously emailed to all Councillors for them to respond.

17- It was agreed that the Council meeting in January 2018 will start at 6pm to discuss HS2.

Extra correspondence received – Clerk read out a letter from 2 residents requesting the use of Selston Parish Hall on Christmas Day to serve dinner for people who either live on their own or have no family to spend Christmas Day with. It was proposed and 2<sup>nd</sup> to donate £200 from s137 towards costs and to charge community rate for the hire of the hall. The vote was carried.





Clerk read out a letter from Allsorts preschool requesting financial assistance. It was proposed and 2<sup>nd</sup> to donate £200 from s137 and the vote was carried.

8. Finance – see sheets attached to the Agenda.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the accounts for October 2017.

9. Feedback from Finance meeting – see draft minutes attached to the Agenda  
Cllr J O'Byrne talked through the draft minutes, and reminded everyone of the email sent out with regards to a wish list for Capital Expenditure. He is working on next year's budget with the RFO which will be reviewed at the next Finance Committee meeting for presentation to full council on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

It was agreed to hold the next Finance Committee meeting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 at 1pm in the Eleanor Adams room at Selston Parish Hall.

Underwood Councillors agreed to meet at 1pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Underwood Community Centre to review future improvements and repairs to Underwood Community Centre.

10. Supporting community groups and requests for funding  
Cllr D Justice suggested that Selston Parish Council adopt a similar procedure to Ashfield District Council when providing either financial or indirect support to local groups. Each group should have a Constitution. There is a model document available which can be amended and adopted to suit the individual group and insurance cover and financial clarity should be included in meetings and minutes taken. Groups will be helped with the paperwork if required. Any comments were welcomed. Cllr D Justice proposed that she and the Clerk work on a document for approval at the next Council meeting which was agreed.
11. Maintenance of the large planted area at junction of Wagstaff Lane and Palmerston Street  
It was suggested that the overgrown planter is removed and replaced with seats from the rear of Jacksdale Community Centre. The Clerk was advised to speak to Notts County Council Highways and then consult with local residents.
12. County Council Update  
Cllr D Martin informed that the "Its 30 for a reason" signs are being rolled out.  
Cllr D Martin has no more feedback on Selston Golf Course.  
The review of the Sure Start Centres has not started yet but there are currently 65 centres throughout the County which will be reduced to 8.  
The Clerk informed that she had spoken to Robert Mitchell the CEO of Ashfield District Council and he informed that Notts County Council have said they will market the golf course as a going concern but nothing has happened yet. Therefore, ADC will close the golf course and cafe on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The grounds will be maintained until January but if nothing is heard from NCC it will be turned into a country park.  
The Clerk, Cllr S Wilson and Cllr D Justice are attending a meeting for Parish Councils with Notts County Council at County Hall on the 12th December and will question the Council's plans for Selston Golf Course.





13. Recreation Grounds – A further working party meeting was agreed for Tuesday, 16 January 2017 at 10.00am, to meet at the Parish Hall.

Jacksdale – Community Payback team will clean the play area next week ready for the new equipment being installed. The existing swings and railings will be painted in April when the weather improves.

The Clerk is awaiting a response from Jacksdale School with regards to the use of the playing field to establish if NCC will continue to maintain it.

Friezeland – Photographs of the skate park at Acacia Park in Annesley have been circulated by email and some Cllrs have visited the park. It was agreed to tender for the same kind of skate park at Friezeland and discuss at the next Finance meeting. Cllr D Martin suggested applying to the LIS funding scheme. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Palladian Homes with regards to their proposal for access on Friezeland. Cllrs agreed that their proposal would have to have the approval of the people of Underwood.

Woodnook – The Clerk showed Cllrs a picture of the types of youth shelter that are available and the vote was carried in favour of the pod style.

Greenwells – It was confirmed that Notts County Council would not adopt a car park if created on Greenwells Recreation Ground. After discussion Cllrs voted against carrying out a parking survey on Lea Lane.

Cllr D Martin, Cllr C Chapman and Cllr C Quinn-Wilcox abstained from the vote.

14. Planning Applications

Cllr D Justice asked if anyone had any comments on the list attached to the agenda.

The extension to Wren Hall and additional parking was discussed and some Cllrs have visited the site. It was agreed to send a letter of support from the Parish Council as Wren Hall is a valued employer and offers a high standard of care and has a large waiting list.

The extension will provide much needed facilities for assisted independent living.

Cllr S Wilson and Cllr D Martin abstained from the vote.

An extra item had been received and discussed but there was no need to send a comment.

15. Allotments

Cllr C Chapman apologised for not having had time to visit the allotments.

16. Community Centre

Feedback from RCAN meetings – emailed to all attendees and Cllrs today. Any concerns to be raised with the Clerk before Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December when the Clerk will be meeting with Paul Peacock from RCAN.

Parish Hall- Clerk spoke of the meeting held in April to discuss improvements to the bar area. This consisted of double doors to the Eleanor Adams room with matching doors to the main hall, new larger kitchen blocking the single door to the main hall, to reinstate the original ceiling, new lighting and replace carpet with wood effect safety flooring. The plans have been on hold as we were promised some sponsorship which did not materialise so decisions need to be made on the extent of the improvements.



It was agreed to ask a professional designer or quantity surveyor to produce a specification incorporating the suggested improvements which can then be used to obtain quotes.

Cllrs voted and agreed to install double doors to the Eleanor Adams room as soon as possible so that the floor covering can be replaced as previously agreed.

Cllrs Ashmore and Pilgrim left the meeting at 9.00pm

Pavilion – It was agreed to apply for planning permission to install a second hand toilet block.

Underwood– End of building to be repaired as agreed at Finance meeting

Jacksdale – Wood panel missing on front of building and guttering requires cleaning.

17. Consultation on the Brinsley Neighbourhood Plan Pre Submission Draft

Closing date 30<sup>th</sup> November agreed that the JUST group should respond.

18. Date of next meeting – Monday, 29 January 2018 at Underwood Community Centre. 6 pm for HS2 presentation, Clerk to confirm if residents are allowed to attend at 6pm.

Clerk informed that some Cllrs and residents have received anonymous nasty letters which have been reported to the police. The police have stated that the letters are unhelpful to the Community spirit.

Cllr D Justice informed that the Parish article in the Community News has been well received. The deadline for the next edition is 1<sup>st</sup> February so Cllrs were asked to email Cllr D Justice, details of anything they would like included.

19. Confidential Items

Staffing items were discussed and the staff panel will meet at 2pm on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Meeting Closed at 21:20 hrs

*C. Justice*