

## Minutes of Wymondham & Edmondthorpe Parish Council Meeting

Held at Wymondham Village Hall, Church Lane, Wymondham

Monday 07 November 2016 at 7:30pm

Present:

Councillors: Howard Gresham; Pat Peters; Christian Semmens (Chair); Chris Semmens & Matthew Williams

Borough Councillor: Malise Graham

Clerk: Sharon Pyke

256. To receive apologies for absence

Councillor Kevin Spiers sent his apologies which were accepted. County Councillor Byron Rhodes sent his apologies.

257. To receive disclosures of members' interests (i.e. the existence and nature of those interests in respect of items on this agenda)

Councillors Howard Gresham & Matthew Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning application being discussed at 10 Spring Lane, Wymondham.

258. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of Council held on Wednesday 05 October 2016

The minutes were **APPROVED** with minor amendments.

259. To receive the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Group Committee of Thursday 27 October 2016

**RECEIVED**

260. To receive an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan

A verbal report was submitted by Councillor Matthew Williams. The Gollings land is to be assessed to check its suitability as a potential site for housing. The same criteria used at other sites earlier in the year will be applied to The Gollings.

Melton Borough Council in its development of the Local Plan has categorised villages according to the services, facilities & amenities that they offer. It is noted that there are errors in the services, facilities & amenities available to residents of both Wymondham & Edmondthorpe.

Councillors Pat Peters & Matthew Williams will be meeting with Jim Worley, Head of Planning at Melton Borough Council to discuss the progression of the parish's Neighbourhood Plan.

261. To receive reports from District and County Councillors

Borough Councillor Malise Graham provided the following update:

- Thanked the Neighbourhood Plan Committee for the way in which the Neighbourhood Plan has been crafted. As a result the John Sedley Trust has stood back & observed the Neighbourhood Plan develop & evolve.
- Melton Borough Council is now fully focused on the Local Plan.
- Borough Councillor Malise Graham will be accepting a Purple Flag award on behalf of Melton Borough Council in recognition of its support of Melton's evening economy.
- The raised manhole cover on Meadows Rise should be replaced within the next few weeks

262. To receive and consider reports from representatives on outside bodies and meetings

None received

263. Public Participation

- a) Public Speaking Protocol – requests received by the protocol deadline to be reported to the Clerk of the Parish Council with detail of the agenda item to which they relate.

The Clerk received no requests to speak.

- b) The meeting was not suspended as no members of the public had any representation.

264. To consider the applications listed below for consent to develop & any subsequent applications received after the posting of this agenda:

- a) 16/00631/FUL Land adjacent to 10 Spring Lane, Wymondham - 2 dwellings  
**RESOLVED:** the Council objected to this application as the location is on a long standing public open space there are concerns that the storm water culvert at the back of the site may be insufficient to cope with the run off from Main Street which does have a propensity to flood on occasions.
- b) 16/00735/FULHH Nashua, 6 Melton Road, Wymondham - Single storey extension to house to include temporary permission for caravan & portacabin  
**RESOLVED:** the Council objected to the plans on the basis of contravention of policy OS1 because the proposed fence will change the character of the boundary & visual aspect to the property. A recommendation is to be made to find a way to retain the existing wall.

265. To receive decisions from the planning authority listed below & any subsequent decisions received after the posting of this agenda:

- a) 16/00575/TCA - Summerton Bungalow, 11 Spring Lane, Wymondham - Approved
- b) 16/00646/TCA - The Old Manor House, 6 Rookery Lane, Wymondham - Approved
- c) 16/00642/TCA - Meadow Farm, 4 Rookery Lane, Wymondham - Approved

The decisions were **RECEIVED & NOTED** by the Council

266. Finance:

- a) To receive the financial reports up to & including the month ended 30 September 2016  
**RECEIVED**
- b) To confirm & sign the balance sheet  
**RESOLVED:** The Chairman signed the reconciliation statement on behalf of the Council.  
 The bank statement to be scanned & sent through to the Parish Councillors.
- c) To agree the accounts for payment  
**RESOLVED:** The Council AGREED the payments
- d) To sign the grant award cheque for £2,500 to Wymondham Village Hall Committee  
 The cheque was signed
- e) To review the 6 month budget position for year ending 31 March 2017  
**RESOLVED:** That the Council's financial position is within range.
- f) To identify & discuss potential projects & improvements for 2017/18 in support of the precept setting  
**RESOLVED:** The Council agreed to continue to support the development of the Neighbourhood Plan and that a financial provision for Community projects should carry on.
- g) To discuss & agree the provisional precept figure for year ending 31 March 2018  
**RESOLVED:** The Council reviewed the draft budget line by line & agreed with the provisional figures but deferred a decision on continuing to support the Village Hall with a current budget allocation of £1,500 which is used to pay the oil & electricity bills. A decision over this long time arrangement will made at January's meeting once the Council has met with representatives from the Village Hall Committee who will be invited to make representations at the meeting.

The Clerk left the room at this point so the Council could discuss the Clerk's salary. The Council agreed to move the Clerk's salary to SCP 22 of the NJC salary scales from 01 August 2016 & assume NALC contract terms. The figures were noted for the budget & formal adoption of the NJC salary scales & NALC contract terms will be a January agenda item.

267. To receive an update following the Council & Buckminster Estate meeting on 01 November 2016 regarding the allotments  
 Councillors Pat Peters & Matthew Williams had a constructive meeting with Charlotte Colston from Buckminster Estates at the allotments to discuss the allotment holders parking provision & the rights of the neighbouring properties to access & park.

Buckminster Estates have a map showing the respective rights as well as the supporting documentation. The rights over the whole area is governed by a long standing agreement with the Parish Council. 2-4 Nurses Lane have a right of access over 'the road' area leading to their house. There is no right to park on or otherwise obstruct this area. The Allotment Association have a right to park on a demarcated section of the green area to the left (looking towards 2-4 Nurses Lane) of 'the road'. Jasmine Cottage have a right to park on a separate and also demarcated section of the same green area.

Buckminster Estates will write to the occupants of 2-4 Nurses Lane reminding them of the access only rights to 'the road' as per the terms of their lease.

268. To discuss the removal of the streetlight on the wall of the Reading Room & agree if a replacement streetlight is required  
**RESOLVED:** the Council agreed to leave the streetlight on the wall of the Reading Room as it had been unable to speak with the property owner but agreed to seek a quotation from Western Power, whilst they are on-site carrying out works, to install a power supply & a lighting column.

269. To discuss who is attending the CPR & defibrillator training being held in Wymondham on Wednesday 23 November & Edmondthorpe on 24 November 2016

Councillor Kevin Spiers will be attending Wymondham's training & Councillor Howard Gresham for Edmondthorpe.

270. Status of service requests to Melton Borough Council, Leicestershire County Council & other agencies:
- a) BT phone wires in trees on Meadows Rise  
Awaiting the co-ordinates from the Chairman so that Melton Borough Council can confirm the trees are their responsibility
  - b) Raised manhole cover on Meadows Rise  
Borough Councillor Malise Graham has taken up this issue too & is awaiting an update
  - c) Overgrowth along the Washdyke  
Photo from Councillor Kevin Spiers sent to Leicestershire County Council to be added to the reference number.
  - d) Overgrowth along Rookery Lane after West End junction  
Leicestershire County Council will take up but has advised it may take time to establish the landowners.
  - e) Felling of the dead tree on Main Street  
Has been reported to Leicestershire County Council

271. To receive the correspondence:  
 This has been received by members via email during the course of the month

272. To receive the Clerk's report:
- Historic England assessment of Edmondthorpe War Memorial - Noted
  - Citizens Advice Leicestershire - donation request - Refused
  - Post Office Services - Noted
  - Lincolnshire Minerals & Waste Local Plan: site consultation beginning 07 November 2016 for 6 weeks - Noted

The meeting ended at 10:40pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 09 January 2017 at 7:30pm in Edmondthorpe Social Club