# **South Croxton Parish Council**

# Minutes of the Parish Meeting on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 18.30 in the South Croxton Village Hall

Councillors present: Cllr JoAnne Charles, Cllr Liz Norton, Cllr Stephen

Goodger, District Cllr Grimley.

Apologies for Absence Cllr Richard Spokes, Cllr Paul Gant,

Cllr Brenda Seaton (via Cllr Grimley)

In attendance: Clerk– Mr SC Johnson and 5 residents

Meeting opened at 6.30pm.

1. Welcome:

Cllr Charles opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

- 2. Apologies for Absence: Cllr Richard Spokes, Cllr Paul Gant, Cllr Brenda Seaton (via Cllr Grimley)
- 3. Disclosure of Interests:
  - Cllr Norton declared an interest in item 6 of the Agenda due to her role in the Village Hall Committee.
- 4. Confirmation of the previous meeting minutes on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018: Proposed by Cllr Goodger and seconded by Cllr Norton, the minutes were approved as a true record and duly signed. Clerk to File and post on website.

### Charnwood Borough Council report:

Request by Cllr Grimley to give the reports at the start of the meeting, due to further commitments acknowledged.

Cllr Grimley tabled a copy of an email (attached to these Minutes) dated 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 concerning the Travellers site and stated that he had concerns about permissions. A meeting with CBC Planning had been requested but was not approved by senior case officer due to further works in progress on this case. Copies of the latest application were handed to Councillors and were discussed by the meeting. The meeting considered that the situation at the site should be monitored.

Cllr Grimley reported that a full Council meeting approved the Strategic Growth Plan. A link to the report in the Leicester Mercury,

https://www.leicestermercury.co.uk/news/leicester-news/revealed-places-leicestershire-could-affected-2189734'

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has been circulated to Councillors.

Cllr Grimley was thanked for his report and then left the meeting.

- 5. Matters arising from previous minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018:
  - a) The insurance costs for covering street furniture will be brought to the December Meeting.
  - b) Village Hall Football activity. Clerk to check insurance and Public liability issues and draft a risk assessment before the next meeting. The nets and work to tidy the playing field to be assessed alongside the May 2018 ROSPA Report.
  - c) Audit of Annual Accounts the meeting resolved to submit the 2017/2018 Accounts to the Government Auditor for assurance purposes following the change of Clerk. It was also agreed to engage an Internal Auditor, via LRALC, for the 2018/2019 financial year. Clerk to submit request to LRALC.
  - d) Further time is required to respond to the open letter sent to the Chair due to Clerks bereavement leave.
  - e) The need to address the Notice Boards repair/replacement will be raised again at the December meeting.
  - f) Small Grant requests were presented to the meeting and following discussion it was decided to submit the cheques in December,
- 6. Clerks report: The Clerk gave a positive report following his attendance at the Local Council Planning for the Medium Term presentation on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 held at LRALC in Anstey. Issues covered included Budgeting and Precept calculations and forward planning.
- 7. Planning Applications:

P/18/1701/2 20C MAIN STREET - SS EXTENSION TO REAR OF PROPERTY

P/18/1980/2 24 SCHOOL LANE - EXTENSION TO REAR OF PROPERTY CERT LAWFULNESS

P/18/2041/2 PADDOCK 3 TURNS LA - INVALID AT THE MOMENT

P/18/2077/2 77 MAIN STREET - RESUBMISSION OF P/1272/2 - NEW DWELLING

There were comments made about P/18/2077/2 – Cllrs to report back to Clerk with comments before the 27/11/2018 deadline.

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#### 8. Financial matters:

#### BANK BALANCES @ 8th November 2018

<b>Current Account</b>	<b>£12900.45</b> (5 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 Statement)	
No cheques outstanding		
<b>Business Reserve Account</b>	£ 5096.33 (5 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 Statement)	
Budget Control		
Total spend to date for year	£ 5554.23	

Expenditure at this meeting:

Estimate still to spend in year £ 7428.63

Clerk Expenses	£ 11.97
Clerks Wages	£126.49
HMRC	£ 31.60
Total	£170.06

All expenditure agreed and cheques duly signed.

9. Precept for 2019/2020: Notification from CBC that the Precept figures should be returned to them by 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019. The Clerk informed the meeting that the tax base figures would not be available from CBC until 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018. The meeting noted that the Precept should be decided on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

## 10.Street Lighting:

The Servicing contract was again considered and it was agreed that subject to no additional costs being incurred the agreement could go ahead. Post meeting note – LCC clarified the above and agreement to be sent by Clerk.

11. Neighbourhood Plan:

The meeting discussed costs and decided not to pursue with this item at the moment.

- 12. Correspondence Received: No Correspondence had been received by the Clerk.
- 13. Opportunity for Members of the Public to speak: No requests were made though some discussion involving the public had taken placed during the meeting. In particular regarding Village Hall finances it was decided to have a separate meeting with their committee and then report back to the council.
- 14. Items for inclusion on the next Agenda:

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Football playing and Risk Assessment
ROSPA Report May 2018 and Action
Notice Board repair/replacement
Small Grant payments
15. Date of next Meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 6.30pm

**COPY OF EMAIL TABLED BY CLLR GRIMLEY - see next page** 

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From: Robinson Helen < helen.robinson@charnwood.gov.uk >

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2018 9:58 am **To:** Cllr. Daniel Grimley; Cllr. Brenda Seaton

Cc: 'JoAnn Charles'

Subject: RE: Traveller's Site South Croxton

#### NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

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Dear Cllr Grimley and Cllr Seaton,

Current situation - we now have an incomplete application (as of yesterday) for a washroom building sited on the original section of the site that has an extant planning permission. As soon as that is valid you and the parish will be notified of it and consulted. It is a structure for washing machines and drying facilities. I do not think that something of this nature would be unexpected but should be kept to a reasonable scale and design. The landscaping details have not been resubmitted since the previous refusal and I am chasing these.

In terms of outstanding matters - the hardstandings that have been created on the temporary area; we are currently chasing details of how the surfaces of these hardstandings will be finished and how when the use is due to expire how the surfacing will be removed. Whilst we are aware the drainage (4 cesspits - not 7 as residents have been reporting) has been implemented for the pitches we need to be able to formally confirm we are happy with their siting. I do not believe we have any objection to where they have been sited but we need to approve these details formally. We have received a couple of plans in the past but the details were not clear and we also need details of landscaping ie planting on the site and any other details in respect of any lighting they propose to erect on the site. As soon as we have these in some form we can look to get the matters resolved. From what we have seen so far we do not have any objections to what they are proposing as they are acceptable but we need those details shown properly on a plan so we can ensure it is carried out correctly. The condition requires these details to be approved prior to any occupation of the site. I do not have any details as to when Mr Connors intends to occupy the site as yet however his temporary permission is wasting away due to their lack of implementation.

So far we have a breach of planning control in the fact that they have laid out the site with hardcore and have implemented the drainage without the details having been approved formally. Mr Connors continues to implement elements on the site on an adhoc basis which is very frustrating however in terms of formal enforcement action, I do not believe it would be expedient to take action under the current circumstances and we are working to secure the details formally so this can all be regularised. I will continue to push Mr Statham to get the details submitted so the residents can see what is going to happen and what is approved.

I hope this helps. Having spoken to Joanne before I went on leave - there still seems to be a lot of rumour and conjecture by residents and this is not helpful. I can assure you that we are working to resolve the situation down here with Mr Statham and Mr Connor and if there are any concerns about any activity on site I am more than happy to investigate.

If there is anything further needed please let me know.

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