

## CAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12 October 2016 in Dean Hole School commencing 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Councillors:

B. Robins (Chair)  
A. Baugh  
C. Jagger  
S. Routledge  
C. Harvey (from 7.50 pm)

**In attendance:**

C. Millward (Clerk)  
Councillor Saddington (until 7.55 pm)  
Councillor Laughton (until 7.55 pm)  
Members of the public (5)

	<b>DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>CPC/149/16</b>	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Apologies were received and accepted from councillors Michael (health) and Harvey (urgent family commitment).	
<b>CPC/150/16</b>	<b>Declarations of interest:</b> There were no declarations of interest, direct or indirect, in any items of business on the agenda.	
<b>CPC/151/16</b>	<b>Dispensations:</b> None required.	
<b>CPC/152/16</b>	<p><b>10 Minutes public speaking:</b> Councillor Laughton reported on plans to introduce a 50mph speed limit on A616 between Wellow and Kneesall. The likelihood of police resistance to patches of 50 mph stretches on A616 was discussed. Councillors noted that the police might favour a single speed restriction along a longer section of A616 instead.</p> <p>Councillor Laughton will require the signed petition for a 50 mph limit at the meeting on 9 November 2016 for presentation to NCC later in the month. The clerk will ask the resident who had obtained the signatures to make the petition available at that meeting.</p> <p>Councillors noted the following concerns raised by members of the attending public in relation to item 12 a iii on the agenda (Planning matters – Applications – 16/01578/FUL):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The scale of the proposed floor area and height are disproportionate to the adjoining bungalow</li> <li>2. The proposed dormer windows would have an adverse impact on the privacy of the neighbouring property</li> <li>3. The existing drainage facilities, a septic tank, will have insufficient capacity for the increased volume produced by a larger property than currently served and for the drainage of surface water as set out in the application documents with the resultant risk of sewage leakage</li> <li>4. Ownership of part of the site was disputed.</li> </ol>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>CPC/153/16</b>	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting:</b> The minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2016 were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair. Councillor Harvey arrived unexpectedly at 7.50 pm.	
<b>CPC/154/16</b>	<b>Matters arising:</b> There were no matters arising.	

CPC/155/16	<p><b>Reports from district and county councillors:</b> Councillor Saddington had no NSDC matters to report. In addition to the matters referred to at CPC/15/16 (10 minutes public speaking time), councillor Laughton reported that the Dean's Close walkabout had identified a number of issues to be addressed. As regards the affordable housing development, he will check that the councillors' concerns in relation to lighting, access and the pavement raised during the planning process have been addressed.</p> <p>Councillors Saddington and Laughton left the meeting at 7.55 pm.</p>	BL
CPC/156/16	<p><b>Reports from Councillors:</b> The clerk will press NCC for steps to be taken in relation to the crack oozing liquid in to the Beck.</p>	Clerk
CPC/157/16	<p><b>Casual vacancy:</b> The clerk reported that the deadline for requesting an election had expired that day. She will confirm with NSDC on 13 October 2016 that an election was not required and let the chair know. He will then advertise the casual vacancy in the parish magazine.</p>	Clerk Chair
CPC/158/16	<p><b>Financial Matters:</b></p> <p><b>a. Financial position as at 30 September 2016:</b> Councillors considered and noted the clerk's report showing the precise financial position at 30 September (incorporating the 2016-17 budget figures). The clerk will check whether it is permissible to allocate the CIL monies retrospectively and to expend the monies in tranches.</p> <p><b>b. External auditor's report:</b> Councillors were pleased to note that an unqualified report had been received from the external auditor and that the council's financial affairs for 2015-16 had again been maintained in accordance with proper practices. They noted the auditor's comments regarding the incorrect dating by the clerk, a clerical error only, and had no concerns.</p> <p><b>c. Accounts for payment:</b> The council unanimously approved six payments totalling £2981.34. Councillors noted the interim implications of the payments for the reserves and <b>agreed</b> that the defibrillator donations would ensure sufficient cash flow for the play equipment balance pending payment of the WREN grant.</p> <p><b>d. Standing order for clerk's salary:</b> Approved.</p> <p><b>e. Wine walk surplus - spending decisions:</b> Deferred to November meeting.</p>	Agenda
CPC/159/16	<p><b>Playground</b></p> <p><b>a. Monthly property managers' inspection report:</b> Councillor Baugh confirmed that the monthly inspection had taken place. The matting in the basketball area had been repaired. There were no issues since the last report. Noted that moles were now an issue. Councillor Baugh will instruct the mole catcher. Councillor Routledge reported that there was a new chain and lock on the main gate, it having been necessary to cut the old chain to allow Playdale access to install the new equipment.</p> <p><b>b. 2016 annual inspection report:</b> Noted that the wear in the now replaced matting had been identified as low risk. Councillors were pleased that the report had not identified any causes for concern.</p> <p><b>c. Repair – Basketball matting:</b> Discussed at a above. Councillor Routledge reported that there had also been enough matting to tidy up the boundary of the basketball area and provide spare for a future repair. Invoice to be included for payment at November 2016 meeting.</p> <p><b>d. Playing field lease – Registration and associated matters:</b> The clerk is awaiting confirmation that the registration has been completed.</p>	AB  Clerk  Sept 2017

	<p><b>e. Toddler play equipment project:</b> Councillor Routledge reported that the play equipment had been installed and was of excellent quality and a great addition to the play facilities. Councillors thanked him for all his hard work in relation to the project.</p> <p>Councillors reviewed their publicity plans. They <b>agreed</b> that the formal opening should take place at Easter 2017, the ground always being very wet through autumn and winter and the days being so short. The school, councillor Laughton, WREN, the Advertiser and Ms Campbell, who had been so supportive in securing a well signed petition, to be invited to attend. The event to take place in the afternoon on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday to enable the under 5s to join in. The WREN plaque to be unveiled as part of the opening. The clerk will submit the plan to WREN.</p>	
<p><b>CPC/160/16</b></p>	<p><b>Planning matters:</b></p> <p><b>a. Applications:</b></p> <p><b>i. 16/01483/FUL   Householder application for single storey side &amp; rear extensions and other works - Corner Bungalow Mill Lane Caunton:</b> Councillors considered the application, noting that the building was set back on a large plot and that they had received no objections. Councillor unanimously <b>decided</b> to support the proposal.</p> <p><b>ii. 16/01438/FUL   Householder application for replacement porch of increased size   Charnwood Norwell Road Caunton:</b> Councillors considered the application and unanimously <b>decided</b> to support the proposal.</p> <p><b>iii. 16/01578/FUL   Householder application for proposed two storey extension to the rear and side incorporating new bedrooms in loft space   First Bungalow Amen Corner Caunton NG23 6AP:</b> Councillors considered the application, having noted the concerns raised at CPC/15/16 (10 minutes public speaking time). They unanimously <b>decided</b> to object the proposal on the following grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The scale of the proposed floor area and height are disproportionate to the adjoining bungalow</li> <li>2. As a result, the development, if permitted, would have an unacceptable visual impact, exacerbated by the disproportionality, and be overbearing in its appearance</li> <li>3. The proposed dormer windows would have an adverse impact on the privacy of the neighbouring property which they would overlook.</li> </ol> <p>Councillors asked the clerk to draw to NSDC's attention the possibility that the existing drainage facilities, a septic tank, will have insufficient capacity for the increased volume produced by a larger property than currently served and for the drainage of surface water as set out in the application documents. There is, therefore, a concern that any inadequacy in the capacity of the drainage facilities will lead to a real risk of sewage leakage. Whilst not a planning consideration, the clerk will also notify NSDC that there is an issue regarding ownership of part of the site.</p> <p><b>b. To note planning decisions by NSDC:</b>  <b>16/01021/FUL   Householder application for a proposed single storey side extension   White Cottage Mill Lane Caunton</b> – Approval noted.</p> <p><b>c. Enforcement matters:</b> None.</p>	
<p><b>CPC/161/16</b></p>	<p><b>A616 – Speeding traffic and road safety:</b> See CPC/15/16 (10 minutes public speaking time). Councillors discussed NCC's speed data analysis and were pleased that the data supported their concerns regarding excessive speed. The clerk will write to NCC to thank the</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>

	officer for undertaking the survey, which reinforced the council's stance, and seeking the 50 mph speed limit in the vicinity of the crossroads.	
<b>CPC/162/16</b>	<p><b>Village services:</b></p> <p><b>a. Community defibrillator including training:</b> The clerk will order a cabinet for the defibrillator to be delivered to councillor Routledge. The Plough had kindly offered a space for a training event on a Monday after 2 pm. The clerk will follow up the request to the school to site a second defibrillator on the building and order a second defibrillator if the school's consent is forthcoming. She will also investigate the possibility of funding support from the Oliver King Foundation.</p> <p><b>b. War memorial – Restoration and funding:</b> War Memorials Trust advice awaited.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>CPC/163/16</b>	<p><b>Village environment and appearance including:</b></p> <p><b>a. Best Kept Village 2016 entry:</b> The outcome of the best kept village overall award is awaited. The bulb planting day on 15 October 2016 is being publicized on the website.</p> <p><b>b. Overhanging trees:</b> The clerk had received NCC's confirmation that the cutting work being undertaken under HAMS reference 6022077 is the same work requested under her HAMS reference 103900628 (Trees overhanging Manor Road and the Beck). Councillors welcomed the works.</p>	
<b>CPC/164/16</b>	<b>Service faults:</b> The tree report obtained by the school was noted. The clerk will confirm to the school that the trees are monitored by the council and seek its consent to forward the report to the landlord.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>CPC/165/16</b>	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> Item b – NSDC – Affordable housing scheme – Keeping Caunton informed – The clerk will let NSDC know that the council will treat the development in the same way as any other development and does not require any progress updates to be publicised.</p> <p>Item c – NCC – Winter assistance offer – The clerk will order the salt. Councillors Routledge and Baugh will check the condition of the Mill Lane grit bin.</p> <p>Item e – NALC AGM – 16 November 2016 – The chair will attend.</p> <p>All other items of correspondence noted. Councillors also discussed a letter from the school referring to dog mess on the playing field received after display and circulation of the agenda. Councillors agreed that they were not aware of an on-going problem with dogs but will monitor the field. The clerk will let the school know.</p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk SR/AB</b></p> <p><b>Chair</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>
<b>CPC/166/16</b>	<b>10 Minutes public speaking time:</b> Nothing raised.	
<b>CPC/167/16</b>	<b>Agenda items for next meeting:</b> CIL expenditure and as set out above.	
<b>CPC/168/16</b>	<b>Date of next meeting:</b> Wednesday 9 November 2016 at 7.30 pm	

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.