

# Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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Thursday October 1 2020, 7.30 pm, remote access via Zoom meeting

The meeting held via Zoom remote contact – no queries received prior to the meeting – this meeting recorded and hard copy notes taken.

**Present:** - Cllrs Emma Bird (Chair), Andy Whitehurst, Sue Mitchell, Aaron Parmar  
Clerk Lindsay Swinfield

**2093 Apologies** – Cllrs Anita Hansen and Peter Brown – accepted, unanimous.

**2094** In accordance with Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, members to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda. Clerk to report any written requests for dispensation in respect of items on the agenda. Cllrs Bird and Whitehurst re sports club membership.

**2095 Open forum for members of the public and press**, 3 minutes per person allowed with a maximum of 15 minutes for the session– meeting adjourned to allow participation. Nil attendance.

**2096** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 September 2020 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

**2097 Decisions made under delegated powers** – Nil

**2098 Police / Neighbourhood Watch Matters** – all crime reports can be viewed at [www.Police.uk](http://www.Police.uk) and type in the relevant postcode – however reports are always two months behind.  
*Please ring 0116 222222 or 101 or Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 to report suspicious behaviour or crimes. [www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk) or [www.leics.police.uk/support](http://www.leics.police.uk/support). To have your say [www.leics.police.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.leics.police.uk/haveyoursay).*

## **2099 Planning Consultations**

- a. 20/01290/TCA Jordan's Farm, Top Street, felling of 3 trees (unprotected conservation area) – no comment.
- b. 20/01327/TCA 22a Black Horse Hill, works to 3 Silver Birch trees (unprotected, conservation area) – no comment.

## **20100 Planning Decision Notices**

- a. 13 Atherstone Road, erection of two storey & single storey rear extensions and porch – granted.
- b. 235 Tamworth Road, erection of single storey extension – granted.

**20101 HS2 (High Speed Train)** – virtual workshops available from 12/10/20 - however, to kick start these workshops, they are hosting a virtual meeting on 12th October 2020 at 10am-12am. All parish councils and resident groups in NWL are invited, a link to the meeting on Microsoft teams will be sent out nearer the time. If you would like more information or have any questions on HS2, please contact the County Council HS2 Service Area at [HS2@leics.gov.uk](mailto:HS2@leics.gov.uk), or telephone customer services on 0116 305 0001.

## **20102 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters**

- a. Allotment & orchard site – the annual rent has been paid. All areas clean and tidy, may split some plots into two to create starter plots.
- b. Residential encroachment onto Parish Council land – court proceedings to take place, Clerk to obtain quotes for re-instatement of the area including fencing – this is being organised.

- c. Traffic control signage – consultation letters have been issued to all residents in the relevant areas for speed control signage – no feedback received. Rectory Lane co-ordinates are suitable but some concern over Top Street due to some existing Highways signage. Measham Parish Council kindly offered to let their maintenance crew change the batteries on the signage once installed, members asked the Clerk to request cost of changing the batteries – signs will be static, will not move location. Add to November PC agenda. Discussion re solar speed reduction signage.
- d. Benches/kissing gates – new gate for the recreation ground has been organised.

### 20103 Appleby Recreation Ground

- a. New play equipment – due to CV-19 there is a delay in provision of the timber required. The train has been removed and the picnic bench re-located on a temporary basis.
- b. Fencing on the recreation ground – being progressed.
- c. Outdoor gym equipment – following discussion it was agreed that this item be added to the Parish questionnaire which will be available from 05/10/20 online and a hard copy will be included with the next Parish Newline.
- d. Hedge cutting – the allotment hedge needs cutting back – Clerk to organise.

### 20104 General Items for Discussion

- a. New village 3D signs – still waiting for LCC to approve sites, the Clerk and two Councillors met with an experienced contractor to approve sites and a quote will be provided re installation– this information will be passed to LCC for final approval.
- b. Junction 11 community foundation met and reviewed all funding applications, members are disappointed to hear that all traffic management applications had been excluded, however Council wishes to pursue this further.
- c. Resilience plan and storage for flood equipment & early warning equipment – storage cabinets have been delivered, these need to be assembled and safe, secure locations need to be established by the flood group with relevant permissions.
- d. Christmas tree and lights – will be installed and lights switched on, however due to CV-19 government restrictions there will not be a light switch on event.
- e. Outdoor gym equipment – added to the Parish questionnaire for general feedback.
- f. Parish Council meeting dates for 2021 – approved and to be published on the PC web site.
- g. Community Speed Watch – details registered online, Clerk to send an update to volunteers.
- h. Village defibrillators – following discussion it was agreed to ask NWLDC if a defibrillator could be installed on the land where garages have recently been cleared.

### 20105 Approval of Financial Statements & Payments

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman, **RESOLVED**, unanimous (£1886.74).
- b. The bacs payment list updated and unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed.
- c. Local Government pay award for 2020/21 – members unanimously **RESOLVED** that the annual pay award be approved.

### 20106 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line

**Parish Questionnaire** - as promised the Parish questionnaire is now available - please complete online ([www.applebymagnaparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.applebymagnaparishcouncil.co.uk)); a copy of the questionnaire will be included with each copy of the Parish Newline - if you can't complete online please use the hard copy and drop into the box provided in the Church - there is a prize draw and the winner will receive an afternoon tea hamper. This is your opportunity to have your say.

**Garden waste** - please don't drop garden waste on public areas - including the brook.

**Thank you to everyone who helped out with the village litter pick** - please put your litter into the bins provided or take it home.

**HS2** are running virtual workshops - if you would like more information or have any questions on HS2, please contact the County Council HS2 Service Area at [HS2@leics.gov.uk](mailto:HS2@leics.gov.uk)

**Appleby Allotments** -all allotments have been taken, but if you are interested in joining a waiting list please contact Cllr Andy Whitehurst on 07771942153.

**The new Nautilus ship** for the play area has been docked - due to CV-19 there is a long delay on timber supplies but we hope to see the ship installed in the next few weeks.

**The Parish Council** completed an application for Mercia Junction 11 funding but all traffic speed reduction applications were excluded - hopefully there will be another funding pot for this type of project.

**Christmas tree** on the lawn in front of the Almshouses - the tree will be lit up but sadly due to CV-19 government restrictions there will not be a Christmas tree light switch on event.

**Please report Highways** issues such as blocked drains via <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-maintenance/report-a-road-problem>

**Flood information** - > Floods - check out the NWLDC web site via this link: >

<https://www.nwleics.gov.uk/pages/flooding>

- > If floods include sewers - contact Severn Trent on 08007834444
- > floods include roads flooding contact LCC on 01163050001
- > include main rivers contact Environment Agency on 08459881188

**The meeting ended at 9.26 pm**

**Parish Council meeting November 5 2020 @ 7.30pm, venue or Zoom to be confirmed.**