

Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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2 December 2021, 7.30 pm, Appleby Magna sports pavilion

Present: - Cllrs Emma Bird (Chair), Sue Mitchell, Andy Whitehurst, Kevin Jones, Anita Hansen, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield,

21143 Apologies – Cllr Peter Brown – apology accepted.

21144 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.

21145 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.

21146 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 November 2021 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

21147 Decisions made under delegated powers – Nil

21148 Police / Neighbourhood Watch Matters – all crime reports can be viewed at 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 or www.leics.police.uk/support. To have your say www.leics.police.uk/haveyoursay. Personal alarms are available free of charge, please email the Clerk if you require one.

21149 Planning Consultations

- a. 21/02112 - 22 Black Horse Hill, works to Sycamore tree (not tpo or conservation area) – no comment
- b. 21/02109/FUL, 16 Black Horse Hill, erection of a single storey rear extension – no comment
- c. 21/00730/FUL 29 Bowleys Lane, erection of first floor rear extension & outbuilding – no comment

21150 Planning Decision Notices

- a. 3 Top Street – erection of two story side and part two storey, part single storey rear extensions, erection of double garage and alterations to access – granted.

21151 HS2 (High Speed Train) – on the 25th October 2021 it was reported that HS2 trains on Yorkshire leg will run on existing track as part of Government scaling back of the project <https://www.cityam.com/hs2-trains-existing-track-part-government-scaling-back/> Subject to consultation, a stretch of new high-speed line will be built from the West Midlands to the East Midlands, based largely on the existing safeguarded route, connecting to the existing railway line near East Midlands Parkway Station (close to East Midlands Airport). The Government will accelerate transport improvements at Toton, such as a station for local and regional services, with delivery subject to significant private sector investment – on a 50:50 match-funded basis with the taxpayer – coming forward at the site and developer contributions. Full electrification of the Midland Mainline will go ahead, which will allow HS2 trains to serve Nottingham, Derby and Sheffield.

21152 Junction 11, JLR site – funding applications now being accepted – PC to apply for more outdoor gym equipment. Discussion about the actual site – trees and shrubs to be planted to ‘hide’ the site and hopefully the lighting will face in towards the site – or could cause light pollution.

21153 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters

- a. Allotment & orchard site – site looking tidy.
- b. Traffic control signage has been installed along Rectory Lane, sign can be moved to face other direction as appropriate. A pole has been erected along Measham Road and the sign can be moved to that area; a suitable position is being sought with LCC for a pole/sign for Top Street.
- c. Hedges need to be cut back along Top Street.

21154 Appleby Recreation Ground

- a. Fencing on the recreation ground – fencing has been ordered but the contractor has to clear his workload before he can install fencing. A quote has been received for fencing around the basketball court - £14,250 + vat – defer.

21155 General Items for Discussion

- a. Resilience group and flood issues: – formal investigation report is available : <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/field/pdf/2021/11/9/appleby-magna-final-flood-report-november-2021.pdf>

Storage for flood equipment is now in situ and replacement equipment will be ordered when Clerk is notified by members of the flood group. Pump assembly to be upgraded but date for this is unknown. The Environment Agency is looking at natural/environment methods to help water management – balancing ponds, water butts etc.

- b. Community Group update – plans to commemorate the Queen’s platinum Jubilee for 2/3 June 2022 are under way, village fun day to be held on the 5 June 2022.
- c. Small shed for general storage – may be possible to obtain a grant from NWLDC.
- d. Christmas tree light up celebration on 27/11/21 – this was a resounding success, feedback has been excellent.
- e. National day of reflection on 23/03/22 is being organised – this is reflect on the impact of Covid on the country – noted.

21156 Risk assessment for all relevant areas to include flood risk & play area (at the time of inspection play area ok).

21157 Approval of Financial Statements & Payments

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman, **RESOLVED**, unanimous (£1788.25).

21158 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line

- a. Vehicle activated speed sign is up on Rectory Lane – it will be moved to face the other direction when appropriate – a second post has been installed along Measham Road to accommodate this. An appropriate location along Top Street is being sought with LCC and funding is being sought for another VAS sign.

21159 Confidential item

- a. Matter closed.

The meeting ended at 8.15 pm

Parish Council meeting February 3 2022 @ 7.30pm