

# Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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Thursday December 3 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), Sue Mitchell, Peter Brown, Anita Hansen, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield

**20120 Apologies** – Cllrs Whitehurst and Parmar – unanimously accepted.

**20121** 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.

*Cllr Emma Bird – interest (non-financial) in agenda item 10c, floodlights for football on recreation ground.*

**20122 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.

**20123** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5 November 2020 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

**20124 Decisions made under delegated powers** – Nil

**20125 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 2222222 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).*

## **20126 Planning Consultations**

- a. 20/01558/FUL 6 Iris Close, erection of single storey side extension – no comment.
- b. 20/01626/LBC Sir John Moore School, remodelling of existing WC area for new accessible WC – no comment.
- c. 20/01517/TCA St Michaels & All Angels Church, felling of Ash tree (unprotected) – no comment.

## **20127 Planning Decision Notices**

- a. 72 Measham Road, formation of vehicular access – granted.
- b. 4 Glade Close, erection of single storey rear conservatory – granted.

**20128 HS2** (High Speed Train) – virtual workshops ongoing – refer minutes 05/11/20 item 2015.

## **20129 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters**

- a. Allotment & orchard site – there is a healthy waiting list for allotment plots.
- b. Residential encroachment onto Parish Council land – court proceedings to take place, this item is with the solicitors and a barrister.
- c. Traffic control signage – all agreed three poles to be erected by LCC & grid references have been passed to LCC for approval and installation.
- d. Footpath Q25 Black Horse Hill to Snarestone Lane is too muddy to walk and the formal footpath sign has been removed and replaced. Clerk to report to LCC.

### 20130 Appleby Recreation Ground

- a. New play equipment – due to CV-19 there is a delay in provision of the timber required. The Nautilus ship should be installed around the 14 December 2020.
- b. Fencing on the recreation ground – should be installed first week in January 2021.
- c. Floodlights for football on the recreation ground – request from the football club - Council agrees in principle with the proviso that the football club contacts any residents whose property is adjacent to the field who may be affected by the lights – and the lights to remain on no later than 8pm, club to ensure public liability insurance is adequate – **RESOLVED**, unanimous.
- d. ROSPA play area inspection report – all members had reviewed the report – no ‘red light’ urgent items and members are satisfied that the report needs no attention at present. Noted.

### 20131 General Items for Discussion

- a. New village 3D signs – LCC legal department now have the licence application and this project should be completed soon (CV-19 lockdown may cause some further delays).
- b. Junction 11 update – no updates received.
- 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. All agreed locations should include Church Street next to the bus shelter, Duck Lake area and close to the container on the recreation ground. Defer to 2021.
- d. Parish questionnaire – 20% return and the results are being analysed – an initial review will take place early January 2021 and results will be published in February 2021. The prize draw winner will be notified along with afternoon tea details (**RESOLVED** unanimous to have a maximum budget of £40 for the prize). Key areas raised include speeding/safety in the Parish, planning and verges/hedges. Members of the Council thank all who took the time to complete and return a questionnaire – analysis will assist in prioritising areas that need attention.
- e. Christmas decoration competition and general ideas for Parish competitions – all agreed there is insufficient time to run a Christmas competition – however all agreed that previous discussions around the formation of a community group should be taken forward; the group would not be part of the Parish Council, but members would support and assist where required. Defer to February 2021.
- f. Community speedwatch – due to CV-19 this is on hold.
- g. Heritage notice boards – it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to contribute up to £1k match funding towards a minimum of two heritage boards, one to be installed on the recreation ground with a further board(s) as agreed with the heritage group who hope to obtain a £1k grant.
- h. A project to pump out treated foul flows from two key sewage treatment works at Packington and Measham in the Mease catchment has been put back to 2027 – noted.
- i. Bus shelter – it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to have the bus shelter repaired and stained at a cost of £180.00.
- j. Dog warden patrol – dog fouling patrols were carried out by NWLDC officers and the findings are that the signs the Parish Council installed are more than adequate, and there was insufficient evidence of dog waste to warrant any further action.

### 20132 Approval of Financial Statements & Payments

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman, **RESOLVED**, unanimous (£2065.46).
- b. The bacs payment list updated and unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed when appropriate.
- c. CAB request for funding – CAB provided data on local benefits to the community – it is a lifeline for many – **RESOLVED** unanimous to donate £300.00.
- d. Installation of 3D signs – it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to pay a contractor to install the signs once LCC legal department has agreed the positions.

### **20133 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line**

- a. Parish Councils have little direct influence on key issues, but we are always keen and happy to help and support with your questions or liaise with the relevant council on your behalf. Please report any issues you have to the relevant council (details can be found on the PC web site [www.applebymagnaparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.applebymagnaparishcouncil.co.uk)) or social media and notice boards; issues are more likely to be resolved more quickly.
- b. Council feels that a community group would be excellent for the Parish, run separately from the Parish Council, but supported by members of the Council.
- c. Questionnaire results show a 20% return and following a full analysis of the results findings will be published in February 2021 - Councillors thank all those who took the time to complete and return the questionnaire. The results will help to form a priority list.
- d. The new Nautilus ship for the play area should be installed in December 2020, the supply chain has caused delays due to CV-19.
- e. Dog fouling patrols were carried out by NWLDC dog wardens - findings are that there was insufficient evidence to warrant further action - however, the wardens ask that members of the public contact NWLDC if they have evidence of dog fouling - please don't let your dogs foul in fields or on public footpaths and don't leave dog waste bags; take them home or place in public litter bins. [www.nwleics.gov.uk](http://www.nwleics.gov.uk) or 01530 454545.

**The meeting ended at 21.30pm**

**Parish Council meeting February 4 2021 @ 7.30pm, venue or Zoom to be confirmed, all welcome to attend.**