

Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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Thursday February 4 2021, 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, Andrew Whitehurst, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield

2101 Apologies – nil to record.

2102 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 – nil to record.

2103 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.

2104 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 December 2020 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

2105 Decisions made under delegated powers – Nil

2106 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.

2107 Planning Consultations

- a. 20/01899/FUL 33 Measham Road, erection of two storey side extension and porch – no comment.
- b. 20/01939/FUL 28 Black Horse Hill, erection of first floor rear extension & single storey rear extension – no comment.
- c. 20/01985/FUL 10/10a Rectory Lane, proposed demolition of double garage & erection of new double garage – no comment.
- d. 21/00080/FUL 33 Measham Road, erection of no. 1 dwelling – no comment.

2108 Planning Decision Notices

- a. 14/16 Top Street, restoration of rear elevations, listed building consent.
- b. Sir John Moore School – remodelling of WC to facilitate new accessible WC – granted.
- c. 6 Iris Close, erection of single storey side extension – granted.
- d. 4 Sunset Close, erection of single storey rear extension with maximum eaves height of 2.7m & max height of 3.7m – prior approval granted.

2109 HS2 (High Speed Train) – workshops cancelled due to CV-19, online communication ongoing.

2110 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters

- a. Allotment & orchard site – all going well, a lot of clearing up has taken place and the drainage ditch has been worked on to clear it.
- b. Residential encroachment onto Parish Council land – land has been reinstated and will return to being part of the allotments.
- c. Traffic control signage – all paperwork now with LCC and waiting sign off, then signs can be ordered and installed.
- d. Environmental projects team – this is looking at biodiversity – noted.
- e. Replacement tree proposal for land along Garton Close – Cllrs unanimously approved a slow growing tree – Rowan or a native UK woodland tree (slow growing) may be planted by the resident – **RESOLVED**.

Chair Signature:
Date:

2111 **Appleby Recreation Ground**

- a. New play equipment – Nautilus ship now installed and receiving great feedback; entrance to play area is muddy and is being sorted out.
- b. Fencing on the recreation ground – installation delay due to very wet ground conditions.
- c. Fencing adjacent to resident's garden – details to be obtained and passed to the Clerk who will obtain quotes for removal of existing fencing and replacement.

2112 **General Items for Discussion**

- a. New village 3D signs – both signs installed and feedback has been fantastic – several other councils have requested details so they can provide similar signage.
- b. Junction 11 update – various updates received re building works and road works – Clerk to attend J11 meeting in February 2021.
- c. Resilience plan and storage for flood equipment – sewage has been a major problem along Black Horse Hill and Severn Trent/LCC and the Parish Council, along with residents have been on site and remedial action taken. During the recent very heavy rainstorms the brook did not flood. The flood group meets on a regular basis and are looking into long term solutions. There is a property in Old End that suffers from flood/mud exposure. This has been linked to some development within the village.
- d. Parish questionnaire – results have been published and now the key points raised will be addressed and various projects put in place to resolve; some areas such as speeding vehicles are already being addressed by the Parish Council.
- e. Cllr Peter Brown to replace Cllr Sue Mitchell as Trustee to the Sir John Moore Foundation.
- f. Community speedwatch – due to CV-19 this is on hold.
- g. Heritage notice boards – the Heritage group has applied for match funding.
- h. Parish Community Group – following discussion and many ideas it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to help the village form a community group – the group will be separate from the PC but members will support and assist where required. Cllr Peter Brown to lead this and to encourage involvement.
- i. Casual vacancy – a casual vacancy for a Parish Councillor is waiting to be filled – all applications to NWLDC by 17 February 2021, if this is not filled then Council will be in a position to co-opt.

2113 **Approval of Financial Statements & Payments**

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman, **RESOLVED**, unanimous (£20376.95).
- b. The bacs payment list updated and unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed when appropriate.
- c. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to reduce the HP ink contract to suit reduced printing usage.
- d. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to increase Councillor email capacity.
- e. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to purchase ink for Councillors managing the notice boards.
- f. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to purchase a laminator and stationery for the community group to use.
- g. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to order two new bins – however this matter will be listed on the March PC agenda for formal resolution.

2114 **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) or social media and notice boards; issues are likely to be resolved more quickly.
- b. Feedback from the Parish questionnaire seems to align with thoughts from Councillors that an Appleby Magna Community Group is a good idea. Councillor Peter Brown is keen to help residents set up and run a group - please keep an eye out for more information - feel free to contact Peter - councillor.peter.brown@apmagpc.com
- c. Questionnaire results show a 20% return and key points will be addressed; thanks to everyone who completed the questionnaire.

- d. The new Nautilus ship for the play area is a great success and will provide hours of fun. The entrance to the play area is a bit muddy and we are sorting that out.
- e. Dog fouling in the village is still a H&S nuisance - please report to www.nwleics.gov.uk or 01530 454545. You can report overflowing litter bins by going to <https://nwleics-self.achieveservice.com/MyServices> then clicking on Report It, Dog fouling, graffiti, littering, abandoned vehicles and similar and raising a report as Accumulation of Rubbish, we are ordering more bins for the Parish.
- f. The Parish 3D signs are up and are proving a huge success - we have received at least 8 requests from other Council's asking for details so they can budget for similar signs.
- g. Casual Vacancy for a Parish Councillor - we now have a Councillor vacancy, if you feel you could help the community, please apply to NWLDC louise.scott@nwleicestershire.gov.uk

HOW TO REPORT:

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

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The meeting ended at 9.40 pm

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