

# Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015, 8 pm, Sir John Moore Foundation Community Building,  
Appleby Magna

**Present:** - Cllrs P Hemmerdinger (Chair), M Hemmerdinger, P Smith, Lindsay Swinfield Clerk, Mr Ian Hamilton

**1537 Apologies** – Cllrs Butler, Pott, Wildgoose – accepted.

**1538 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest to Items on Agenda** – Nil

**1539 Open forum for members of the public and press** - Nil

**1540** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 5th 2015 endorsed and signed by the Chairman.

**1541 Decisions made under delegated powers** – Nil

**1542 Police / Neighbourhood Watch Matters** – Nil to report

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## **1543 Planning Consultations**

- a. 15/00109/FUL 13 St Michaels Drive, erection of single storey and first floor extension and conversion of existing garage – no comment.
- b. 15/00123/FUL 97 Top Street, extensions to agricultural building – no comment.
- c. 15/00176/OUT land at Measham Road, erection of detached dwelling and garage (outline scale & access only) – no comment.

## **1544 Planning Decisions**

- a. Hall Farm New Road, change of use of land from agriculture for purpose of storage of leisure vehicles – granted.
- b. 3 Top Street, erection of 12 dwellings (outline) – resubmission of 14/00251/OUTM – refused.

**1545 HS2 (High Speed Train) project** – keep on agenda.

## **1546 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters**

- a. Kissing gates – defer to May 2015 meeting.
- b. Rectory Lane verge – all agreed Cllr Smith to investigate assistance from allotment holders to build a bank of soil along verge to prevent vehicles parking and destroying the surface.
- c. Village sign (3D type) – defer to May 2015 meeting, Clerk to find suppliers.
- d. Parish Council notice board refurbishment – all agreed to have the two notice boards refurbished at a total cost of £153.00.
- e. Cllr Smith brought a copy of the Allotment Society AGM minutes and updated financial papers; there are plans to further improve the site and grants are being applied for.

**1547 Sir John Moore Foundation update** – nil to report

**1548 Village Design Statement & Neighbourhood Plan** (keep on agenda, delayed due to withdrawal of NWLDC Core Strategy).

**1549 General Items for Discussion**

- a. Allotment field tenancy – Mr Ian Hamilton attended to explain the legal side of the tenancy agreement for the allotment field. Following a discussion Cllr M Hemmerdinger proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith, it was **RESOLVED** unanimous, to extend the existing tenancy for one year at current price. Cllr Smith highlighted problems with seven of the allotments which lie adjacent to the allotment field, reporting that due to weeds and lack of agricultural use in 2014, seven of the allotment plots were water logged and unusable. Mr Hamilton will write to the tenant of the allotment field and explain the issues/outline the ongoing tenancy agreement.
- b. 2015 Election update – noted.
- c. Ground maintenance contract – Cllr P Hemmerdinger proposed, seconded by Cllr Smith, it was **RESOLVED**, unanimous – to extend the existing contract for 2015/16 with the proviso that the Parish Council would accept a small increase in costs – Clerk to write to contractor.
- d. Recreation ground maintenance – the Clerk had obtained a quote for mowing of the recreation field for 2015 – following discussion members agreed that the Parish Council would accept the quote if AMCC (Appleby Magna Cricket Club) would contribute approximately half towards the annual costs. Clerk to contact Mr Paul Cooper re AMCC.
- e. Play area equipment and surface replacement – to be deferred to the May 2015 meeting.

**1550 Parish Council web site** – up and running.

**1551 Correspondence** - nil

**1552 Approval of Financial Statements & Payments**

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed and approved, **RESOLVED**, unanimous.
- b. The bacs payment list unanimously approved and signed when appropriate.
- c. Notice of appointment of date for the exercise of electors' rights has been posted.

**1553 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line**

- a. Dog waste left in bags on floor or thrown into bushes and fields – this is unacceptable and against the law. Clerk to produce laminated sign 'Please don't dump dog waste bags here – put them in any public waste bin in the village – we are watching YOU!'
- b. Allotments available.
- c. Election 2015

**1554 Urgent Items** - Nil

The meeting ended at 9.25pm

Date of next meeting: May 14th 2015, 7.30pm @The Stables Community room, Sir John Moore School -  
**Annual Parish Council Meeting**