

# Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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Thursday 3 August 2017, 7.30 pm, Sir John Moore Foundation Community Building,  
Appleby Magna

**Present:** - Cllrs P Hemmerdinger (Chair), G Pott, D Gothard, E Bird, A Whitehurst, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield,  
3 members of the public.

**1790 Apologies** – Cllr P Smith – accepted, unanimous.

**1791 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest to Items on Agenda** – Nil

**1792 Open forum for members of the public and press**

A member of the public stated that he is keen to volunteer his services in the Parish.

**1793** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1 June 2017 unanimously endorsed and signed by the Chairman.

**1794 Decisions made under delegated powers** – Nil

**1795 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.

Police report for the past thirty days as follows. No reported anti-social behaviour.

**Recorded crimes as below.**

10/7 a VW Golf was stolen from Measham Road.

13/7 a cast iron post box was stolen from Bowleys Lane.

15/7 a car window was smashed at Top Street.

15/7 a car was broken into at Garton Close.

17/7 the Parish Council reported the theft of a swing & chain in the past two months from the park at Bowleys Lane.

26/7 Cycles and tools were stolen in a burglary at Didcott Way.

30/7 There was another attempted burglary at Didcott Way.

30/7 Cans of beer were stolen from a garage at Didcott Way.

1/8 A workman's mobile phone was stolen from his vans dashboard on Measham Road.

**The key messages in relation to crime trends in the locality are:**

- Ensure house/car keys are hidden from view especially if you drive a high value BMW, Mercedes, Audi or VW vehicle
- Double check your vehicle is locked (in case a signal blocker is used) and ensure all valuables are removed.
- If you own or use a company van containing work tools consider removing them from the vehicle overnight. If you see suspicious vehicles or activity try to get the VRM and report the sightings to Leicestershire Police on the 101 number – be patient you may have to wait to be connected.

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).

**1796 Planning Consultations**

- a. 17/00734/OUT, 24 Snarestone Road, proposed new dwelling and garage – outline, access/layout – no comment.

**1797 Planning Decisions**

- a. 15 Bowleys Lane, single storey front & rear extension – granted.  
b. 22 Church Street, erection of garage – granted.  
c. Land adjacent to 17 Botts Lane, outline planning – refused.  
d. 22 St Michaels Drive, first floor extension – granted.

Chair Signature:

Date:

### **1798 HS2 (High Speed Train) project**

Various HS2 reports had been issued to the Clerk along with the latest route details – all have been circulated and added to the Parish Council web site. All agreed the Clerk to request Sansom & Hamilton land agents to act on behalf of the Parish Council re the new route and to be on notice re all legal matters relating to HS2 and the Parish.

### **1799 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters**

- a. Cllr Whitehurst reported that there is some concern re HS2 taking over some of the allotment land – this is being handled by Solicitors Sansom & Hamilton on behalf of the Parish Council. Cllr Whitehurst also reported that a large Pine tree on the right hand side of the allotment site boundary is leaning and is an H&S risk – all agreed that the allotment group is free to deal with the Pine tree as they feel necessary to ensure safety.
- b. Cllr Bird reported that the reception class visit to the allotment site was a great success, everyone enjoyed the visit and positive feedback has been received. The allotment group and the Parish Council encourage full use of the allotment site and also welcome ideas.

### **17100 Appleby Recreation Ground**

- a. Legal ownership of the ground still ongoing – Clerk had asked Crane & Walton Solicitors for an update – the news is that there is a strong case for ownership and documents are to be signed shortly – Cllr Hemmerdinger to contact the Solicitors and request sign off re this matter.

**17101 Neighbourhood Plan** – nil to report, all agreed to remove this item from future agendas.

### **17102 General Items for Discussion**

- a. New village 3D sign – Cllr Whitehurst had contacted the agreed sign supplier, who could not fulfil all the requirements – Cllr Whitehurst to investigate other sign suppliers and the Clerk to ask LRALC to add this item to the regular report and request information from other Clerks.
- b. Cllr Gothard attended the How to deal with Anti Social behaviour course and said it was very useful; we are awaiting the presentation to be circulated by NWLDC.
- c. Cllr Gothard attended the on-line planning course (hard copy plans will cease to be circulated at the end of August 2017). Cllr Gothard reported that the new system is not quick or easy, but if the Parish Council has a laptop or ipad and access to a password for the meeting room, then it should be possible to view plans at the Parish Council meetings. Clerk to complete the funding form re a grant to obtain a laptop. Cllr Gothard offered to take his own personal laptop to PC meetings in the interim – Clerk to obtain the meeting room wi fi password.
- d. For information only, the Black Horse public house opens early August 2017.
- e. The new CEO (Bev Smith) of NWLDC (North West Leicestershire District Council) will attend the Parish Council meeting on September 7 2017.
- f. Following the theft of the new swing seat from the play area, the Clerk had liaised with the insurance company and the supplier – this has now been approved and a new swing seat ordered. The Clerk has asked the supplier to liaise with Cllr Hemmerdinger and to also ensure improved security re the fixings to avoid further theft of the item.

**17103 Correspondence** - nil

### **17104 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 Conclusion of Audit – posted on the web site on 19/07/17, all approved by the external auditor.

**17105 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line**

- a. Police recommendations
- b. Swing seat

**17106 Urgent Items – Nil to report.**

The meeting ended at 8.15 pm

Date of next meeting: September 7 2017, 7.30pm @The Stables Community room, Sir John Moore School