

Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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**Thursday 1 October 2015, 7.30 pm, Sir John Moore Foundation Community Building,
Appleby Magna**

Present: - Cllrs P Hemmerdinger (Chair), P Smith, G Pott, E Bird, A Whitehurst, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield, Mrs Deana Wildgoose – representing Sir John Moore Foundation, Sonia Liff – representing Appleby Environment, Sue Mitchell (Community mini-bus), one member of the public.

15126 Apologies – Cllr Gothard – accepted.

15127 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest to Items on Agenda – Nil

15128 Open forum for members of the public and press

Member of the public reported that the number 7 bus service no longer goes into Ashby de la Zouch – this is causing distress and inconvenience to local residents. The Clerk reported that RCC (Rural Community Council) is working with communities who have formed local Community Bus Partnerships – Clerk to contact them and also LCC and request a more helpful, suitable bus service. There is a petition in Appleby Magna Post Office too. The new Community mini/media bus will also be of assistance.

Sonia Liff reported on findings re the NWLDC Local Plan which is out to consultation at present. www.nwleics.gov.uk/localplanmysay or ring 01530 454676. There are various anomalies that Appleby Environment has discovered in the new Local Plan, including areas which should be 'limits to development' but are marked out as available for development. The 'sensitive areas' have been dropped and are now within a national policy. Cllrs to review the local plan and report back to the Clerk – item to be listed on the November 1 2015 PC agenda. Appleby Environment to continue to review the local plan and report findings to the Parish Council – also to look into the prospect of a Neighbourhood Plan.

The Clerk outlined the latest grants available for implementing a Neighbourhood Plan, this had been discussed and investigated previously by the Parish Council, and assistance sought from residents, however, none had come forward.

Sue Mitchell asked where the Top Street notice board would be moved to – Cllr Hemmerdinger reported that it will be placed further along Top Street, close to Didcott Way.

15129 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on September 3 2015 endorsed and signed by the Chairman.

15130 Decisions made under delegated powers – Nil

15131 Police / Neighbourhood Watch Matters – no report received

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15132 Planning Consultations

- a. 100030578550 SK 431463, 309600 57 Church Street, erection of 3 dwellings inc. associated access and parking provisions – comments as previous, before amendments.
- b. 15/00775/FUL land east side of Austrey Lane Appleby Parva, erection of agricultural building and construction of access track – no comment.
- c. 15/00825/FUL 39 Bowleys Lane, erection of detached domestic storage building – no comment.
- d. 15/00860/FUL 39 Bowleys Lane, erection of detached garage and change of use of land to residential curtilage – no comment.

- e. 15/00890/REMM land at Top Street, erection of 29 dwellings (reserved matters to 13/00697/OUT of layout, landscaping, appearance and scale) – original comment re poor access stands, also request Section 106 funding for an on-site play area.

15133 Planning Decisions

- a. McDonalds Restaurants Ltd, consent to display illuminated fascia signs, directional signs and internal signs.
- b. Redhill Farm, 97 Top Street, change of use from agricultural to B1 office use, external alterations and construction of first floor – granted.

15134 HS2 (High Speed Train) project – keep on agenda.

15135 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters

- a. Three kissing gates have been replaced, Clerk to obtain quote and information from Jacksons Fencing re galvanised gates.
- b. All agreed to defer play area equipment until May 2016 to ascertain budget availability. The new ‘no dogs allowed’ signs have been fitted.
- c. Various pictures of 3D village signs were viewed, Clerk to obtain more costs and details.
- d. Cllr Smith to put woodchips along the verge to help prevent vehicles parking.

15136 Community Mini Bus update

Deana Wildgoose reported on behalf of the Parish Council – no vat to claim back as vat will not be charged. The order for the bus is to be placed by Measham Mobility – still waiting for some funding. Mrs Sue Mitchell will be employed to take bookings and promote the mini bus.

15137 Sir John Moore Foundation update

Deana Wildgoose reported on an exciting initiative ‘Our mapping of our Local Heroes, to our British Values through our objects and senses’ ... 5 characters from Appleby Magna selected and linked to British Values which are listed as, Democracy (William Huskisson), Rule of Law (Samuel Haywood), Tolerance (John Glover), Mutual Respect (Sir John Moore), Individual Liberty (Joyce de Appleby). All welcome to view the information at the Sir JM Foundation, contact Deana. A bid is to be submitted to the £20,000 for Seven grant for £20k for outreach sessions re the above. Cllr Hemmerdinger proposed, seconded by Cllr Whitehorse it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to contribute £500.00 to the above project.

15138 Village Design Statement & Neighbourhood Plan – keep on agenda, both discussed, but agreed to defer to future meeting.

15139 General Items for Discussion

- a. Parish Council/AMCC/Recreation field ownership – NWLDC legal department is taking this forward on behalf of the Parish Council.
- b. Following feedback from LCC (their assessment and detailed investigation showed speeding along Rectory Lane is not an issue), Cllrs agreed to try and implement the Speed Watch initiative. Cllr Hemmerdinger had provided a newspaper article showing speed limit waste bin stickers – all agreed this to be a good idea, but not sure it would work along Rectory Lane – defer to November 2015 agenda, continue to set Speed Watch up in the village.
- c. RCC (Rural Community Council) community bus partnerships – refer minute item 15128.

15140 Correspondence - nil

15141 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. Draft budget review, resolve 2016 Precept and Grant – the Clerk had distributed the mid-term financial figures and statement with comparison to 2014/15 figures, these were reviewed and discussed along with budget requirements for 2016 and future projects. Cllr Hemmerdinger proposed, seconded by Cllr Whitehurst, it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to request a Precept and grant total of £16,000 for 2016.

15142 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line

Mini bus, allotments available, Speed Watch, Local Plan.

15143 Urgent Items – reminder to read the Parish Charter.

The meeting ended at 9.45pm

Date of next meeting: November 5 2015, 7.30pm @The Stables Community room, Sir John Moore School