

# Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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1 September 2022, 7.30 pm, Appleby Magna sports pavilion

**Present:** - Cllrs Emma Bird (Chair), Kevin Jones, Sue Mitchell, Lynne Jones, Rochelle Truggelaar, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield - *Welcome to new Councillors*

**22104 Apologies** – Cllr Andrew Whitehurst - apology accepted.

**22105** 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.

**22106 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.

**22107** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 August 2022 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

**22108 Decisions made under delegated powers** – Nil

**22109 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 222222 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). Police invited to attend a PC meeting.

## **22110 Planning Consultations**

- a. Proposed base station upgrade at cornerstone site 10705225 Twycross Austrey Road, DE12 7AR – no comment.
- b. 22/01306/FUL 6 Rectory Lane, erection of single storey side and rear extension – no comment.
- c. 22/01269/FUL 5 Duck Lake, erection of single storey side extension and dormer window – no comment.
- d. 22/01321/TCA 20 Black Horse Hill, works to one Oak tree (unprotected, conservation area) no comment.

## **22111 Planning Decision Notices**

- a. Conversion of garage to home office and additional living space at 7 Steeple View Lane – granted.

**22112 HS2 (High Speed Train)** – nothing to report.

**22113 Junction 11** – an application has been made for funding towards play area swings/equipment.

## **22114 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters**

- a. Allotment & orchard site – 18 on the waiting list.
- b. Ask NM White to cut hedges back along Rectory Lane – near the allotment site.

## **22115 Appleby Recreation Ground**

- a. A proposal to provide some notice boards for the interior of the sports pavilion was discussed again – sports committee to be approached again.
- b. Funding for new swings has been applied for. It was **RESOLVED** unanimous to accept the quote (£1014) from Newbuild Landscaping to stain the play area fence, repair the gate and replace the post to Bowleys Lane.
- c. Outdoor gym second phase to be installed on 09/09/22.
- d. Recreation facilities for refugees – request funding information from NWLDC, can they supply equipment to help integration into the community.

Chair Signature:  
Date:

### 22116 General Items for Discussion

- a. Resilience group and flood issues – liaison continues with Severn Trent and other bodies; Andrew Smallwood – LCC is looking into issues with the culvert along Church Street. Cllr Truggelaar is willing to train as a flood warden and is willing to join the resilience group, and will supply draft wording for a leaflet and an article for the parish magazine – all agreed. Gel bags are available and need to be collected by a Cllr and stored in the shed.
- b. Planters in the village: winter planting to be organised.
- c. Green Shoots bulb planting and Highways procedure – all agreed the Highways procedure is very complicated. Some ideas were put forward for areas that include bulb planting: area opposite St Michaels, grass area near Wren Close, by the Top Street planter plus some other areas – all agreed to purchase a quantity of bulbs without going through the Green Shoots scheme as a only minimum amount can be ordered, and without more volunteers this would not be feasible, **RESOLVED** unanimous.
- d. Traffic speed monitoring equipment – the latest data will be available on the Parish Council web site – average speed was around 36mph, fastest speed recorded was 70mph.
- e. Scarecrow festival and yarn bomb ideas – various village groups are organising these and members of the Council fully support the ideas.
- f. Platinum Jubilee family fun day – this was cancelled due to appalling weather conditions, NWLDC may wish some grant funds to be returned, Council to ask if the funds can be put towards other costs incurred such as banners and leaflets printed.
- g. Overgrowing trees in the village – following a comprehensive report from LCC's (Leicester County Council) arboriculturist it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to have the Poplar tree (Didcott Close) removed. There is an Ash tree in the area that needs some attention too. Council also requests a full report from LCC re its trees on the recreation ground – general health and recommendations for future care.

**22117 Risk assessment** for all relevant areas to include resilience group, flood risk & play area – a new gate is being researched; new swings and matting also a priority. Request an emergency procedure template from NWLDC. Cllr Mitchell will pass the draft emergency procedure to all Cllrs.

### 22118 Approval of Financial Statements & Payments

- a. The payment list and bank reconciliation were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman, **RESOLVED**, unanimous to approve at the October PC meeting due to the meeting today coinciding with the end of the month.
- b. Allotment field tenancy – **RESOLVED** unanimous to continue to rent to Mr G Pott, agreement signed and witnessed.
- c. Annual Return signed off by external auditor and Notice of conclusion of audit posted.

### 22119 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line

- Hedges/trees to be trimmed back, thank you to those who have already carried this out
- Traffic speed data is available to view on the Parish Council web site

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm

Parish Council meeting October 6 2022 @ 7.30pm, Sports pavilion