

Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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2 March 2023, 7.30 pm, Appleby Magna sports pavilion

Present: - Cllrs Emma Bird (Chair), Kevin Jones, Lynne Jones, Andrew Whitehurst, Sue Mitchell, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield, one member of the public.

2316 Apologies – Cllr Rochelle Truggelaar – apology accepted.

2317 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.

2318 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.

2319 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2 February 2023 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

2320 Decisions made under delegated powers – Nil

2321 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.*

Police informed that someone has installed a hide on the allotment field which is leased to a local farmer. Police inspected the area and stated that the hide can be legally removed as it has been placed without any permissions granted.

2322 Planning Applications

a. 23/00127/FULM Land off Jubilee Business Park, change of use to dog walking/training area and car parking – no comment.

2323 Planning Decision Notices – nil to report

a. 30 St Helens Lane, authorised lawful use – solar panels to be installed – granted.

2324 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters

- a. Allotment & orchard site – site looks tidy and neat, there is still a long waiting list for allotment plots.
- b. Litter problems and planned community litter picking event – NWLDC has organised a ‘Pick your own street’ Great British spring clean event – from Saturday 25 March to Sunday 26 March inclusive. Up to ten volunteers can be recruited per street – all equipment provided and waste will be collected. To sign up email: environmental.protection@nwleicestershire.gov.uk or 01530454545 by 17/03/23. The PC litter pick will be arranged for a future date. Cllr Kevin Jones has been liaising with Measham PC and the Dixie school re litter picking – Appleby Magna PC happy to be included in their litter picking initiatives.
- c. Didcott Way tree removal – this has been organised with LCC, once work is completed the footpath area will be tidied.
- d. Overhanging tree branch on Didcott Way – this is a risk to people using the area and to the ground maintenance contractors. An official card has been delivered (mid September 2022) but the branches still remain a H&S issue. An official letter/email to be sent to the owners of the property.

2325 **Appleby Recreation Sport ground**

- a. New swings for the play area – the new swings have been ordered (double flat junior swing and double cradle swing), and the old equipment will be removed – should be complete by April 2023.
- b. Cricket Club sponsorship signage request – following discussion it was agreed that more information is required before permission to erect sponsorship signage may be granted – who will the sponsors be – where exactly will the signage go – size/type?
- c. Request to hold end of season football club BBQ on the recreation ground – approved as long as no disposable barbeques are used, keeping distance from the sports pavilion and full insurance cover is in place – and the area is cleared.

2326 **HS2** – No further information received.

2327 **General Items for discussion**

- a. Resilience group update & flood issues in the village & flood equipment – ongoing item with Trent Rivers Trust liaising with the PC and other departments.
- b. The Speed Sign – data to be published at the end of March 2023.
- c. Appleby Magna PC risk assessment – has been updated and included in the PC web site.
- d. The Heritage group will be placing Heritage information boards on the recreation ground and in the car park of the Crown public house – once installed the Parish Council will take over responsibility for the boards – unanimously agreed.
- e. Top Street defibrillator phone box – **RESOLVED** unanimous to have the box painted at a cost of £430.00.
- f. Christmas tree event – to be added to the Parish questionnaire – all members to send ideas re the content of the questionnaire to Cllr Sue Mitchell.
- g. The Coronation of His Majesty the King on 6 May 2023 – it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to purchase bunting and lamp post placards – requesting that the £241 previously donated by NWLDC be put towards the celebrations. It was **RESOLVED** unanimous to put planted beds around the two large village signs – with small plaques celebrating the Coronation. Budget to be decided at the April PC meeting.

2328 **Financial Matters**

- a. Approve payments & reconciliation reports – Payments list (£1017.69) unanimously **RESOLVED**, reconciliation report unanimously **RESOLVED**.

2329 **Risk Assessment for all relevant areas & play area inspection report** from ROSPA also includes flood risk. Due diligence is being undertaken to appreciate risks are understood so that decisions for action can mitigate this.

2330 **Ideas for Written Piece - Parish News Line**

Elections 2023 – ID will be required, election process and details can be found on the NWLDC web site.

Coronation of His Majesty the King – the Parish Council is looking at ways to decorate the village and to commemorate the event.

The meeting ended at 9 pm

Parish Council meeting April 6 2023 @ 7.30pm, Sports pavilion – Annual Parish Meeting, followed by Parish Council meeting.