

Appleby Magna Parish Council Minutes

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3 August 2023, 7.30 pm, Appleby Magna sports pavilion

Present: - Cllrs Kevin Jones (acting Chair), Sue Mitchell, Andy Whitehurst, Charles Sainty, Matt Woodford, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield, two members of Police for first 20 minutes.

2384 Apologies – Cllr Emma Bird – approved.

2385 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.

2386 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.

Police representatives (Madeline Fearn (6686), Owain Jones (1234) attended the meeting to discuss various crimes and anti-social behaviour within the Parish and emphasised that all crimes must be reported to the police, not just to social media. Regular police visits will be made to the village to raise police presence. Interviews have been carried out re crimes and anti-social behaviour. Speeding in the village is a key offence and the police will be investigating data produced from the speed sign equipment that the PC logs. A public meeting may be organised to enable further discussion to take place.

2387 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1 June 2023 unanimously **RESOLVED** and signed by the Chairman.

2388 Decisions made under delegated powers – Nil

2389 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.

2390 Planning Applications

- a. 23/00222/FULM, Jubilee Business Park, demolition of existing stables and erection of 3 detached buildings to provide 5 commercial units for industrial and light industrial use & storage – no comment.
- b. 23/00580/CLP 45 Parkfield Crescent, proposed removal of single storey side extension (conservatory) and erection of single storey side extension – no comment.
- c. 23/00923/TCA 24 Black Horse Hill, works to various trees (TPO's) – no comment.

2391 Planning Decision Notices – nil to report

- a. Land off Jubilee Business Park – from agricultural to dog walking/training – granted.
- b. Red Gables Farm – erection of two agricultural buildings – granted.
- c. 45 Parkfield Crescent – side extension certificate of lawfulness – granted.

2392 Footpaths, Hedgerows, Street and Allotment Matters

- a. Allotment & orchard site – sheds were broken into – police are investigating this matter. A successful school visit took place utilising grant funded equipment. Access areas are being covered with hard core to improve the surface.
- b. Brook – is very overgrown, those households with riparian rights should ensure their areas are kept clear. The Environment Agency is responsible for the brook.

- c. Hedges and dog waste – hedges should not be cut back from February to August – however if they are clear of birds or wildlife then household hedges may be cut back. If hedges overgrow pavements or roads they should be cut back to prevent H&S issues. Dog waste is a problem in some areas of the village – fines may be given out if dog owners are not picking up after their dogs and bagging/binning the waste.

2393 Appleby Recreation Sport ground

- a. The new swings have been installed and various repairs carried out to the play area. The J11 grant has been used and signed off.

2394 HS2 – No further information received.

2395 General Items for discussion & HS2 update

- a. Resilience group update & flood issues in the village & flood equipment – ongoing item with Trent Rivers Trust liaising with the PC and other departments; all invited to the October 2023 PC meeting.
- b. Speed sign data shows serious speeding in the village – police are monitoring data.
- c. Co-option of two Parish Councillors – members welcomed Charles Sainty and Matt Woodford to the Parish Council.
- d. Parish questionnaire update – being compiled.
- e. Skillgate training via NWLDC – noted.
- f. Joint Charter with NWLDC – has been signed by Appleby Magna PC.
- g. Councillor responsibilities – **RESOLVED** unanimous – subject to change:

ASR (Appleby Sports & Recreation) Parish Council Ground - Cllr Kevin Jones

Village Defibrillators - Cllr Matt Woodford

AM Flood Resilience - Cllr Sue Mitchell & Cllr Kevin Jones

AM Flood Warden coordinator - Cllr Charles Sainty

Speed Signs and data records - Cllr Kevin Jones

Village sign and flower planters - Cllr Sue Mitchell

PC Website - Cllr Sue Mitchell

Village Community Parish Council annual event (Christmas Tree lighting) - Cllr Emma Bird (event tbc/tbd)

PC Noticeboard Postings - Cllr Kevin Jones

Village Tree Warden - Cllr Matt Woodford

PC SJM Trustee - Cllr Kevin Jones

Footpaths, benches, gates and PC items of responsibility listing - Cllr Kevin Jones / Cllr Andrew Whitehurst / Cllr Matt Woodford

Environmental Group - Cllr Sue Mitchell

PC Survey Questionnaire - Cllr Emma Bird / Cllr Sue Mitchell

Village Newsletter - Cllr Sue Mitchell

2396 Financial Matters

- a. Approve payments & reconciliation reports – Payments list (£647.50) unanimously **RESOLVED**, reconciliation report unanimously **RESOLVED**.

2397 Risk Assessment for all relevant areas & play area inspection report from ROSPA also includes flood risk – ongoing, carried out on a regular basis.

2398 Ideas for Written Piece – Parish News Line

We are delighted to announce that we have a full complement of 6 Parish Councillors – Emma, Kevin, Sue, Andy, Matt and Charles. Parish Councillors are volunteers and do not receive any remuneration – they show care and concern for their village and work hard to keep the area a lovely place to live and work in, please support them where you can – litter picks, events etc.

Police attended the August 3 2023 Parish Council meeting and advised that following reports on anti-social behaviour and crimes in the village they have carried out interviews; they will visit the village on a regular basis and show police presence; they are investigating all reports received and take them all seriously; they will now receive the vehicle speed data from the PC and can identify dates and times that the speed limit has been broken – following this up when possible. It is vital that all crimes and anti-social behaviour issues are reported to the police – not just on social media.

Please pick up after your dog – fines may be issued if you do not.

The meeting ended at 9.05 pm

Parish Council meeting 7 September 2023 @ 7.30pm, Sports pavilion