

Little Melton Parish Council

MEETING MINUTES

Mon 01/02/2021 - 19:30, by Zoom

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1. Attendance

PC members							County Councillor	District Councillors	
Chair	Vice Chair								
John Heaser	Russell Cole	Amanda Giles	Garry Wheatley	Jan Edye	Sheila Lewis-Smith	Steve Sophocleous	David Bills	Adrian Dearnley	Phil Hardy
JH	RC	AG	GW	JE	SLS	SS	DB	AD	PH
Y	Y	Y	<i>apol</i>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<i>apol</i>

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1. To consider apologies for absence
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda by Parish Councillors - *None*
3. To confirm the [minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 04/01/2021](#) - *AD, seconded by SLS*
4. Public Participation - To consider a motion to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public and the District/County Councillors an opportunity to inform the meeting - *AD informed attendees that the publishing of LA accounts would be delayed by two months. DB - stated that the County's members fund has been increased to £10,000 and has been expanded to include walkways, paths and other environmental matters. Flooding - SNC are looking at responsibilities for cleaning ditches and pipes.*
5. Planning
 - a. Parish Council Recommendation
 - i. [2021/0028](#) - Villa Farm Watton Road - blocking up of an existing access on to Watton Road and the creation of a new access on to Watton Road - *No comment*
 - ii. [2021/0029](#) - Land North Of School Lane - Outline application for 6 no. dwellings - *it's outside the development boundary so the PC will object, the drainage is poor and the area is prone to flooding. Also, the access is limited and the visibility is not so good.*
 - b. Decisions
 - i. 2020/2244 - 4 & 5 Manor Farm Barns School Lane - Retention of satellite dishes to rear of dwellings and air conditioning unit at rear of No 5 - *Approved*
 - ii. [2020/2151](#) - Works to TPO trees, 4 The Close - Beech tree - fell - *Refused*
 - iii. [2020/1959](#) - Works to TPO trees, Macallans Rest, Great Melton Road - Oak (T1) - Reduce spread of tree to approx 8m, crown thinning by up to 10% and remove deadwood - *Approved*

6. Parish Facilities–

- a. Use of further Section 106 payments
 - i. Scooter ramp & Zip wire - EPS expect to start work on 01/02 - *we have acquired a little less land than hoped for. Hardcore will go down next. SS confirmed that the installation will go ahead. The cost remains the same.*
- b. Refurbishment of Millenium garden - on hold pending soak away decision - *part of the VH carpark is subsiding. PC is considering siting a soak away in the Millenium garden.*
- c. Possible cycle training and jumps to engage with local children - JE & SLS
- d. Play Area - [inspection report](#) - EPS to rectify faults
- e. CGM schedule - need to revise contract for 2021 - SS & JH have met with Assistant Manager
- f. Request for a bench on VPF - JE

7. Highways –

- a. NCC Highways requests - see [document](#) - report from JH meeting with Highways on 11/12 - *extension of the existing 20mph zone would go as far as the village inn. Two full width speed humps with chicanes. Some consultation with the local residents would be required.*
- b. Village Hall road - ownership and maintenance
- c. Cycle path on Hethersett Lane
- d. Hethersett Lane closure - 04/01/2021 to 15/03/2021
- e. Bin collections at All Saints Close - need to clarify statements from SNC
- f. Flooding 23/12 -
- g.
 - i. Rectory Lane/GM Rd junction - *It has been flagged up with Highways and will require an extensive amount of digging.*
 - ii. Green Lane pond overflow - *JH outlined the problems with the ditch on School lane which leads to the pond - It has been raised with Highways who suggested a digger would be needed. However, multiple landowners are responsible for maintenance.*
 - iii. Gully clearance problems - *the work has been inconsistent in quality and this has been raised with Highways.*

8. Correspondence received since the last meeting

- a. SS to report on SNC Forum 22/01 -
 - i. Local Plan
- b. Planning training - any comments?

9. Financial

10. Legal matters

11. Next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting - 08/03/2021

Signed (Chair) Date