

Little Melton Parish Council MINUTES

Mon 22/11/2021 - 19:30, at the Village Hall -

There are links to supporting documentation

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	<i>apol</i>	Y	<i>apol</i>	<i>apol</i>	<i>apol</i>

One member of the public.

Garry Wheatley had earlier phoned the chair to tender his resignation due to ill health. Ricky Wallsworth said that he was happy to be co opted at the appropriate time.

2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda by Parish Councillors
3. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on [14/06/2021](#) and [04/10/2021](#)
 - a. *Proposed RC, seconded JE*
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
 - a. *none present*
5. Planning
 - a. Parish Council Recommendation
 - i. [2021/2133](#) - 1 Church Farm Barns - rear extension, replaces 2021/0218 - *no comment*
The PC has no objection but the SNC Heritage Officer considers the proposal to be detrimental to the street scene
 - ii. [Local Plan](#) - proposed additional development of 25 houses north of eastern section of School Lane
 - iii. [2021/2293](#) - 55 School Lane - extension and internal remodeling - *no comment*
 - iv. [2021/2422](#) - 3 School Lane - two storey front extension - *no comment*
 - b. Decisions
 - i. 2021/1797 - Elm Farm, conversion of 9 apartments to 3 dwellings - *Approved*
 - ii. [2021/1892](#) - Two bungalows on Burnthouse Ln - *refused*
 - iii. 2021/1361 - Outbuilding At The Grange Great Melton Rd, conversion to 2 residential - *Approved*
 - iv. [2021/0758](#) - Hethersett North, 200 house 'uplift' - *Approved*

6. Parish Facilities—
 - a. Scooter ramp & Zip wire - hedge still to be planted
 - i. *Need to purchase squeegee to clear rainwater - Mrs J Cole is unable to help with setting up a skate club. Doorstep consultation did not reveal any complaints about noise.*
 - b. Refurbishment of Millenium garden - on hold pending soak away decision
 - c. Possible cycle training and jumps to engage with local children - JE & SLS
 - i. *JE suggested defer to the spring*
 - d. Play Area -inspection results from 04/10
 - i. *no major issues - some issues have been referred to EPS for rectification*
 - e. CGM schedule - need to revise contract for 2022, include artificial grass
 - f. Post office at Hethersett and new retail on LM Rd, Doctor's surgery
 - i. *PO expected to continue until Jan 22 - no other progress*
 - g. VH Fire alarm failed sound volume test
 - h. Moving data to Google Shared Drives and third signatory on Bank Accounts
 - i. Car park usage - extension?
 - i. *Landowner not keen to provide additional space on field to north of playing field*
 - j. CIO - needs more support
 - i. *Recent meeting only attended by Trustees and one other*
7. Highways –
 - a. NCC Highways requests
 - i. Traffic calming on SL - awaiting action by NCC
 - ii. [Rangers & Highways requests](#)
 1. *JH has produced an updated list and has linked to the PC website, RC to assist with chasing Highways*
 - b. Village Hall road - ownership and maintenance
 - i. *no response from Saffron*
 - c. Cycle path on Hethersett Lane - land agreed
8. Correspondence received since the last meeting
 - a. [Response](#) to NALC 'Perfect Storm' email re the effect of windfarm cables
9. Financial
 - a. Review [2022 Precept](#)
 - i. *Tax base increased to 439, Band D payment to decrease by a few pence to £57.97*
10. Legal matters
 - a. Scooter ramp area lease - now signed and returned by solicitor
 - b. Re-appoint Trevor Baker as PC nominee on Parochial Charity.
 - i. *Proposed by JH, Seconded by RC*
11. Meeting ended at 20.26. Next meeting is - 17/01/2022 - 19:30 at the Village Hall

Signed (Chair) Date

414 actions

1. ? Re drainage holes
2. Squeegee mop suggestions - **squeegee works well, needs to be hung on hooks**
3. Noise suppression

CGM actions

1. spray weeds on tennis court
2. strim shrubs growing on north side of tennis court - **JH spoke to operative 08/12**
3. cut hedge on north side of tennis court - **JH spoke to operative 08/12**
4. fell/trim trees to north of tennis court and hall - **JH spoke to operative 08/12**
5. add sweeping the artificial grass to schedule
6. are they clearing/sweeping the car park as agreed? Weeds growing round edges.
7. **08/12 - operative was concerned about tree to north of entrance - split in north branch - will report back to us - trees were maintained in Jan 2021**
8. find out if CGM actually have a cherry picker that they can bring on site to look for the leak in the gable window - can they apply sealant or do we need someone from Yeoman to be on hand. Get a price for a cherry picker from Stuart on +44 7568 579972, mention Katie Clarke
9. ask for suggestions about mud in zig zag entrance way - do they have some wood chips that we can have a heap of? Jayne Cable will apply chips as needed. Keep any chips from future tree works.

EPS

1. replace climbing block on board - temporary wooden block in place
2. Was the south gate replaced? performance has been erratic - not closing as at 03/01/2022
3. They removed JH screws from basket swing but did not drill a new hole
4. repair bent tennis court poles
5. did they include the cost of planting a hedge/trees to west and north of ramp area - species list was agreed - needed to complete the PA