

Minutes of Sheepy Parish Council Meeting Sheepy Memorial Hall – 7th November 2017

1) Attendance and Apologies – Jim Aldridge (Chair) Pat Bingham, Amelia Bridgwater, David Clarke, Stuart Hawksworth, Andrea Johnson, Brian May, Jane Nichols, Ian Papworth, Clive Stretton, Rob Ward: Mavis Bassett (Clerk) 17 Parishioners,
Apologies: Ivan Ould and Kevin Morrell

2) Declaration of Interest and Request for Dispensations: no interest was declared.

3) Parishioners Open Forum

Several parishioners expressed their concerns about the planning application for the old Pilgrim Homes. Their concerns centred around increase in traffic, access to the site, utilities and problems with the site not being secure. Stuart Hawksworth agreed to have a separate meeting with the residents of Wellsborough and draft a response to the planning application, which he would forward to the Clerk.

4) Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 3rd October 2017 were accepted as a true and correct record.

5) Matters Arising from Minutes – Clerk’s Report

1. 20 mph signs near School are now working
2. Using mobile VAS on B585 – LCC are looking into this with their legal people.
3. Owl developments - they say the bulk of the construction work on the site is nearing completion and they will pass on the comments to their contractors.
4. Defibrillators – Community Responders say they do occasionally get stolen from locked and unlocked cabinets. It's down to their location and knowledge of the risk in the community. The code number has been put on the Sheepy defibrillator box.
5. 18 people attended the Defibrillator Training at Sibson on 26th October, which Community Responders provided free of charge. The Parish Council approved the purchase of two sets of training pads (to cover last year's training as well) at a cost of £77 plus VAT each, i.e. £184.80.
6. It was noted that the Responders check the defibrillators free of charge on a regular basis. If they are used, the Council may need to purchase more pads and the battery lasts around two years and a new one would cost around £99.
7. The Clerk supplied the landlords of the Black Horse, Sheepy Magna, with details of Leader funding, as they are thinking of converting an outbuilding to a shop. Following a meeting with the funders, they are going ahead and applying for a grant. When they come to submit the full application, they will need a letter of support from the Parish Council. Details obtained from the Neighbourhood Plan show that 89.3% of respondents felt that there was a need for a shop in the parish. All Councillors in agreement that the letter should be sent
8. Prevent – the government's counter terrorism strategy – Councillors agreed that this information should be put on website and noticeboards.
9. Plaque and refurbished pump now in place by the trough in Sheepy Magna.
10. Wreaths for Remembrance Day purchased for Sheepy Magna and Sibson at a cost of £17 each, as agreed at Parish Council meeting 6/12/2016 item 15.
11. Christmas tree lights for Sheepy Magna have been inspected. They are not safe, mainly they are domestic sets, which are not suitable for continued use. Clerk

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advised that 100 metres of commercial lights would cost around £320 including VAT. Councillors agreed to purchase a set of commercial lights, which would last for several years.

6) Report by County Councillor: Ivan Ould was not able to attend meeting but his report had been circulated to Councillors:

7) Report by Borough Councillor: no report available.

8) Correspondence – the following was discussed or noted:

HBBC Annual Rural Conference 30 November Stuart Hawksworth, Clive Stretton and Jim Aldridge to attend *

HBBC Parish Forum minutes*

CAB request for donation - declined

Request from parishioner for letter of support in respect of business venture in Wellsborough: a copy of the business proposal had been circulated prior to meeting and Councillors agreed to a letter of support in respect of this venture.

*circulated by email prior to meeting

9) Neighbourhood Plan

The draft pre submission Plan had previously been circulated to Councillors, along with details of Regulation 14. It was proposed by David Clarke, seconded by Jane Nichols, that the draft (Pre-submission) Sheepy Parish Neighbourhood Plan be approved for consultation in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012) (as amended). The proposal was approved by vote with 10 in favour and one abstention.

Stuart Hawksworth asked if hard copies could be made available at locations throughout the parish. The Steering Committee agreed to consider this at their next meeting.

Mick Toogood, Chair of the sub-committee gave details of timelines:

Drop In at Sibson Village Hall	24 November 2017
Drop In at Sheepy Church	1 December 2017
Short summary delivered to everyone in Parish	13 November 2017
Letter to statutory consultees and stakeholders	13 November 2017
1 page on notice board	13 November 2017
Leicestershire Planning Event	28 November 2017
Rural Conference	30 November 2017
Pre submission consultation finishes	5 January 2018

10) Broadband – Stuart Hawksworth reported that Wellsborough and Pinwall were planned for 2018. Clerk was asked to put article in Gazette encouraging parishioners to take up Superfast Broadband as this will trigger extra funding from Open Reach.

11) Litter and Footpaths Ian Papworth reported:

Litter – 25 bags had been picked in last month. The group had been approached by Twycross to see if someone can help them set up a litter picking group. The group were formulating a safety policy and carrying out a risk assessment before picks.

Footpaths – link between Glade and Main Road has started and Clerk will be claiming s106 money.

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12) Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) – Rob Ward reported that the posts are now in position and the VAS is on Main Road, Sheepy Magna.

13) Finance

a) Cheques

The following cheques were signed at November meeting:

M Bassett	Salary and expenses including wreaths, stamps	£652.92
UK Servers	Renewal of website name	£13.20*
M & BG	Grass-cutting October	£349.94*
LCC	Road sign Sibson Church	£111.73

Standing Order for Eon street-lights in September £35.54*

*includes VAT

b) Budget

A forecast year end and proposed budget 2018/2019 was circulated to Councillors along with a paper on s106 money. Amendments were discussed, Clerk to make amendments and re submit at December meeting. It was proposed to keep precept at £25,000 but a decision to be made when tax base figures had been received from HBBC.

14) Crime Figures

August 3 crimes

Upton

1 x burglary- no suspect

Sibson

A444 Burton Road

1 x criminal damage – under investigation

1 x Anti-Social Behaviour

15) Tree Warden – Jane Nichols reported that on 11 October, a large branch had fallen from the Horse Chestnut tree in Meadow Close, Sheepy Magna. This had quickly been cleared and left for logs by HBBC. Parishioner asked if we could support leaf clearance from this tree as it has leaf miner disease. Clerk to ask Borough Council and if they are not able to clear it was suggested the Scouts be approached.

16) Meeting Dates and Locations 2018- it was agreed to stay at 10 meetings per year (none in January or July) and they should be the first Tuesday in the month. Location to be shared between Sibson Village Hall and Sheepy Memorial Hall, commencing with Sibson in February. It was noted that the April meeting would be Easter Tuesday.

17) Planning Applications

The following were noted

17/00976/FUL Demolition of barn and erection of Music Room, Dixie School, Wellsborough
 17/01050/OUT Demolition of care home building, conversion of former chapel to dwelling and the erection of up to 24 dwellings including associated access, drainage and landscaping works (in part). Hornsey Rise Memorial Home Bosworth Road, Wellsborough
 17/01095/FUL Erection of livestock building (amended design) Twin Oaks Atterton Lane Upton

18) Any Other Business

Clerk to write and congratulate the Bonfire Society on the planning and execution of the event.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Date of next meeting: 5 December 2017, 7.30pm, Sheepy Memorial Hall

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