

LOWDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th September 2017 at Lowdham Community Room

Apologies

17.04.01 Present: Cllr Finn (Chair), Cllr Glazebrook (Vice Chair), Cllr Swallow, Cllr Byers, Cllr Morecroft, Cllr King, Cllr Rex, Cllr Knowles, Cllr Wilson

17.04.02 In Attendance: NCC Cllr Jackson, NSDC Cllr Wendels, Yvonne Greenfield (Parish Clerk)

Declaration of Interests - None

17.04.03 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6th July 2017 for approval: Each Councillor had the Minutes sent to them and agreed, proposed Cllr Glazebrook seconded Cllr King agreed unanimously

17.04.04 Open Session for the Public –
Geoff Burton reported that the speed awareness sign on Southwell Road was still not working (this has been reported previously). He also expressed his concern that the wild flowers in the reservation on the A6097 were cut whilst still in flower ie no flowers next year Cllr Jackson noted
Both GB and other members of the public discussed the arrival, handling and issues with the travellers who are currently on the playing fields also security and prevention going forward. Much of this had already been discussed by Parish Councillors

17.04.05 Highways and other County Matters – Cllr Jackson
It was noted that 13 Nottingham Road seems to be occupied again.
Following a meeting with the EVA, we should expect a business case for the flood scheme by December, monies being identified.
Cllr Glazebrook reminded Cllr Jackson of the need to have road markings at Ton Lane junction reinstated.

17.04.06 Newark & Sherwood District Council Matters – Cllr Wendel
The planning application for Magna Close is still on file and has not been withdrawn, a meeting between the planning Officer and Newark and Sherwood Homes is still outstanding
NSDC Environmental Health will help with clean up from travellers.

17.04.07 Safer Neighbourhood Group – no report

Upkeep of village and village facilities

17.04.08 Health Centre – No update

17.04.09 WW1 Project

Remembrance Sunday no police presence will be available (as per last year)

17.04.10 Grounds Maintenance – Request trees on Old Tannery Green to be cut back, Maples causing issues for resident on Old Tannery Drive to be addressed. Concern about over hanging Willows on Station Road - trim

17.04.11 Public Toilets – No update

17.04.12 Lowdham Library – Nothing to report at present

17.04.13 Cemetery Devolution – awaiting transfer of funds, NSDC to continue to manage in Clerks absence

17.04.14 Amenities – Gateway Signs – There has been interest from local businesses to sponsor the suggested gateway signs, this concept to be investigated further. Cllr Swallow.
Cllr Glazebrook provided latest design outlines for discussion. Decision all in favour of option 2,

clerk to get a quote based on this design. Letter of thanks to designer.

17.04.15 Christmas Lights – Switch on Friday 1st December 2017

17.04.16 Community Room - WIFI options new Broadband rates mean that we could have installed for £60 plus £25.00 per month, unanimously agreed. Clerk to get a postal address set up to enable us to proceed. Height Restrictor barrier initial security improvement, quotes for change of gates/locks etc. Currently managing with double padlock and goodwill.

17.04.17 Anti Social Behaviour – Agreed to look at rising bollards for Village Hall and Community room access points, missing gate post at toilet entry to playing field to be replaced. Concrete barriers for A6097 and toilets entry point quotes agreed in principal. Cllr Swallow requested a vote of thanks to be minuted for the Chairman and Clerk for their work to remove the travellers and reinstate security
Letters of reply from the Chief Constable and Robert Jenrick regarding the ongoing and lack of police activity problems

17.04.18 Flooding - Flood Alleviation Scheme – update from the EVA surveying and modelling in Progress. An application for funding to manage local Flood projects alongside the EVA work has received approval at the first judging, it will now go against other national projects

17.04.19 Planning

New Applications

17/01428/FUL 8 Ridge Hill NG14 7EL Householder application proposed first floor, side extension and new porch roof to front garage and entrance hall – No objection

Decisions- To note District Council planning decisions:

17.04.20 Standing Orders – To reconsider specific Standing Orders

17.04.21 Financial and Administration Report

To consider PC Insurance renewal, Parish Clerk recommendation is 'Ecclesiastical' agreed unanimously

17.04.22 Grant Thornton to be signed part A and part B

17.04.23 To approve the payments in the month of August – Payments List and

To approve accounts for 2017-18 financial year to date Proposed Cllr Swallow, Seconded Cllr Knowles All in favour

Parish Council Vacancy, to be discussed at next meeting

17.04.24 Neighbourhood Plan – No update

17.04.25 Recreation Areas Management and Sports Amenities

17.04.26 Football – new season in full swing

17.04.27 Tennis – Cllr Knowles to present possible new surface opportunity

17.04.28 Footpaths – pruning and cutting overgrown branches

17.04.29 Trustee Village Hall and Playing Fields – Bridge at Brookside in need of painting, logged with NCC, bridge at village hall repair still outstanding.

17.04.30 Correspondence –

Meeting finished 8.50pm

Next meeting Parish Council - Thursday 5th October 2017 Lowdham Community Room 6.30 for 6.45pm

