

COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING/ENVIRONMENT MEETING
held at 7.30 pm on 14 AUGUST 2014
in the YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE, LOW STREET, COLLINGHAM**

- Save Newark Hospital Campaign. Francis Towndrow and Professor David Edbrook of the Campaign spoke about the recent Care Quality Commission (CQC) report on emergency care levels in Newark. Ambulance responses for NG23 are the worst in the surrounding area where the target is 75%, the average is 76%, in NG23 is 23%. The Parish Council is aware of the issues and pointed out that the Village Care driver's mileage has increased since 2010 by 53%, as residents are referred to many different hospitals. Many cases which are taken to Newark Hospital are then referred to other hospitals as Newark does not have the skills and resources, in the Minor Injuries Unit, to deal with them. The Parish Council was asked to write to the Secretary of State for Health to support the campaign.
- A resident had concerns about Pitomy Farm as the recent advertisement in the Newark Advertiser does not appear to be for 'affordable' housing.
- A resident also had concerns about the planning application for change of use of 136 High Street, this does not appear to be the correct place for such a food outlet. There are likely to be issues with parking/access and times of use. There are also likely to be issues with access/deliveries as well as fire exits.

Present: Mr C Allen Mrs C Moody Mr T Ozbourne Mrs M Parkin (Chair)
 Mrs R Scott Mrs V Wright Mrs M Dobson NCC Mr M Shaw NSDC
 Caron Ballantyne(Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence from** G. Norcott, S Dove & M Dowell were accepted.
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - None
3. **Minutes:**
 - Acceptance of the minutes of the Planning/Environment meeting of 10 July 2014 was proposed by Mr C Allen, seconded by Mr T Ozbourne and agreed unanimously by those present at the meeting.
 - Acceptance of the minutes of the Finance meeting of 10 July 2014 was proposed by Mrs R Scott, seconded by Mrs C Moody and agreed unanimously by those present at the meeting
4. **Progress reports (for information):**
 - (a) Pitomy Farm Affordable Housing, as requested by NSDC, Mrs Moody had put up notices about the affordable housing on the notice boards. It was pointed out that the advertisement in the Newark Advertiser was not for the affordable housing element of the development. The affordable housing was for shared ownership and all details were on the notices.

- (b) Removal of waste hedging on Moor Road – Mrs Scott is waiting to hear back from the contractor who is currently on holiday.
- (c) Circulation of meeting dates for trial of one meeting per month – agreed. Mrs Scott to put up notices at the end of August

5. Planning Applications

14/01251/FUL 14/01252/LBC	Pitomy Farm, 121 Low Street	Change of use of redundant agricultural outbuildings to a dwelling. This application was SUPPORTED, but the Parish Council wished to state its concerns over piecemeal development.
14/01266/FUL	136 High Street	Change of use from existing offices to an A3 cafe/restaurant. This application was SUPPORTED.
14/01345/LBC	The Old Rectory, 8 Church Street	Complete the demolition and rebuild of 15m, section of boundary wall partially demolished by storm damage. This application was SUPPORTED.

6. Correspondence:

- i. Email regarding 71 bed dementia care unit at Potters Hill, Collingham – comments noted.
- ii. Email from Network Rail regarding opening of Collingham station car park – noted. Issues with parking still remain and are being monitored. Mrs Scott to notify NCC and Network Rail.
- iii. Email from NALC regarding “Covering the basics of Employment” seminar, 10 September 2014 – Mrs Moody and Mrs Scott to attend. Mrs Scott to book, Mrs Moody to drive and claim mileage. It was agreed that the booking fee and mileage would be refunded.

7. Councillor’s and Clerk’s reports and items for future agendas:

Mr Allen:

- CPSO Pettit had raised concerns about a contractor working in the village and had spoken to the residents concerned. Damage to the school gates had been reported. The vandalism was by youths 18 - 20 years old.

Mr Ozbourne:

- Web site is now up and running again but the hosting needs to be changed. He will investigate the funding implications of this and report back. Any finance for this needs to be approved and will be put on the next agenda. There was general approval for the proposed email addresses that this change would facilitate.

Mrs Moody:

- BT engineers are leaving rubbish on the ground around the BT boxes – Parish Council to write a letter

Mrs Scott:

- Footballs club MUGA is nearly finished. Signs have gone up for the improvement works to the entrance on Station Road.

- 71 High Street: Regarding the variation to the purchase price and grant, Payne & Gamage and the Internal Auditor do not consider there is any problem. Completion will be ready to sign in a fortnight.
- Karen Tarburton of RCAN has given advice on the possibility of establishing a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for 71 High Street and the Jubilee Room. Mrs Scott will continue to liaise with RCAN and report back.
- Roger Barker would like to get all sports clubs together, along with a representative from the Fleet and the Parish Council to ensure there is no overlap in fundraising efforts. A meeting to be arranged for September.
- Donations have been received for the defibrillator of £2000 from the Rotary Club of Newark and £260 from Collingham Firefighters from their fundraising bike ride.
- Eric Pickles approved legislation on August 4 to enable the public and members of the press to be able to tweet and/or film all meetings. There has also been a change and now all decisions made by the Parish Clerk under delegated powers need to be recorded, therefore the title of this item has changed to 'Councillor's and Clerk's reports'.
- Parish Council vacancy: an applicant would be unable to attend on September 11 until 8pm. It was agreed that arrangements could be made to facilitate this.
- WREN Grant has been awarded for £75,000 for the Community Park. - Mrs Moody asked that the minutes record the meeting's thanks to Mrs Scott, Mrs Guest and Mr Allen for their efforts in securing the grant

Mrs M Dobson NCC:

- Wanted to make sure that the Parish were aware of the closure of Station Road, as work to the station car park was completed.

Clerk

- Nothing to report

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm

2 members of the public present

No members of the press present

Abbreviations

NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council/Councillor

NSDC – Newark and Sherwood District Council/Councillor

LCS – Lincolnshire Co-operative Society