

**MINUTES OF COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28  
FEBRUARY 2013 IN THE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE,  
LOW STREET, COLLINGHAM**

A resident asked about the possibility of a bypass for Collingham and stated that a weight restriction on the A1133 would not be a viable solution as when the A46 is closed; all traffic is sent through Collingham. Traffic issues in the village are on the agenda this evening to be discussed.

**1. Apologies for absence:** S Dove (prior family engagement) NCC V Dobson (attending a meeting at County Hall)

**Present** C Allen M Dowell D Evans C Moody G Norcott  
T Ozbourne M Parkin R Scott (Chair) V Wright NSDC M Shaw  
J Guest, Clerk

**2. Declarations of Interest:** None declared

**3. Report from Network Rail on Collingham station car park**

Tom Wild and Doreen Marsh from Network Rail gave a useful and clear presentation on Network Rail's proposals for the car park at Collingham train station. The timescale is tight; work needs to be completed by March 2014. Help will be needed from NCC Highways (as parking will need to be prohibited on the road to ensure the car park is used) and NSDC regarding changes to the previous planning application. Network Rail will not be managing the car park therefore the lease needs to be acceptable to East Midlands Trains (EMT) who will be responsible for maintenance. EMT will require a ticket machine to be in place. The scheme will cost approximately £492,000. The new proposals include 58 car parking spaces an increase from 28, full lighting and CCTV covering the car park.

**4. Minutes:** the minutes of the meeting of 24 January 2013 were accepted. Proposed by Mr Ozbourne, seconded by Mrs Moody and signed by Mr Evans

**5. Progress reports:** (for information)

(i) Traffic concerns – Swinderby Road and Dykes End

The Clerk reported that PCSO Harriet Samson-Bailey will continue to monitor this; she has not witnessed an obstruction but has asked that if a problem is observed it is reported immediately on 101.

(ii) New bus stop pole – Woodhill Road/High Street

Nottinghamshire County Council have apologised for the delay in replying to the Parish Council over this matter. It has been agreed that the bus stop will remain in its current location. The Parish Council would like to thank NCC V Dobson for his help in obtaining a response. Thanks to be recorded to the Clerk for persistently pursuing a response and taking photographs of the two sites in question and to Mr Michael Davies for his help with the photography

## (iii) Traffic Incident, High Street, March 2012

Concerns have been raised by parents of children attending Preschool about crossing the High Street close to the junction with Swinderby Road. Parents have to stand in the road to stop traffic to allow others to cross. This matter will be looked into further.

## (iv) Railway station car park

Mrs Scott reported on the initial meeting with Network Rail on 22 February also attended by the Clerk that led to the presentation earlier this evening. A Network Rail representative will be attending a future Parish Council meeting to discuss the Cross Lane crossing and replacement link road.

**6. Income and Expenditure**

NALC	Annual subscription	393.32	0.00	393.32
Scribe 2000 Ltd	Annual software licence	195.00	39.00	234.00
D Lyne	Grass cutting contract January 2013	433.33	86.67	520.00
Fleet magazine	2 Fleet magazines sent to Villeneuve sur Yonne for 10 months	52.20	0.00	52.20

The above payments were proposed by Mr Allen, seconded by Mr Ozbourne and approved unanimously.

**7. Correspondence**

Letter from CART (Collingham Action for the Reduction of Traffic) regarding traffic in Collingham – the letter was read out and the contents noted. Mr Allen suggested that CART and the Speedwatch committee may be able to work together. Mr Ozbourne is a member of CART. Mrs Wright commented on the traffic problems within the village when the A46 was closed on 25 February due to a fatal accident.

Email from a resident on the High Street regarding the condition of the High Street – NCC V Dobson met Mike Keeling, NCC Highways Officer on 26 February and they visited the site. A plan for repairs is now being put together. The Parish Council wishes to note it thanks to NCC V Dobson for his help with this matter.

**8. Lengthmans Scheme** – it was agreed that the Parish Council does not wish to express and interest in or join this scheme. Proposed by Mrs Scott, seconded by Mrs Parkin and unanimously agreed.

**9. Planning Applications from volunteer groups within the village** – it was agreed that the

Parish Council will apply for Planning Permission on behalf of voluntary village groups to reduce their Planning Application fees. Proposed by Mrs Parkin, seconded by Mrs Wright and approved unanimously.

**10. Volunteer Policy** – subject to minor amendments the new Volunteer Policy was agreed, proposed by Mrs Scott, seconded by Mr Allen and approved unanimously. All risk assessments are to be reviewed and will be circulated before the next meeting for approval at that meeting. Equipment needed for the volunteers was discussed. High visibility tabards are needed and ‘Men at Work’ signs. Mr Allen will look into this. The purchase of a strimmer for tidying around street name signs will also be researched.

**11. Central Lincolnshire Local Plan Core Strategy** – no changes are to be made to the comments previously submitted.

**12. North Collingham Footpath FP7 Diversion Proposal and footpath update** – concerns were raised over the proposed diversion of the footpath and these will be passed to NCC Country Access Team. The bridleway repairs are taking place on footpaths 21 and 31. The recently approved diversion of footpaths 13 and 37 means that one car parking space will be lost at the Village Centre car park. Footpaths 13 and 14 will receive a top dressing at the end of March.

### **13. Councillor’s reports and items for future agendas**

Mrs Moody reported that a resident had contacted her about a house that has had a shipping container put into its garden; it is to be clad in cedar. Mrs Moody has contacted NSDC Planning Department for guidance as the container is in a conservation area. NSDC M Shaw will look into this matter.

A resident has reported that a crop scarer is too close to footpaths 2 and 2A and the footbridge there requires repair.

Mr Evans reported that pothole repairs requested by a Woodhill Road resident had been repaired very quickly and that streetlamp 2 on Woodhill Road was not working. Mrs Wright will report the streetlamp to NCC.

Mr Ozbourne has been asked by a resident whether large security gates at a property on the High Street had required planning permission.

Mr Dowell has been asked by a resident when the fence at the Village Centre will be removed. It will be removed once all negotiations are complete and obligations arising from these are fulfilled.

Mrs Wright reported fly tipping on Long Lane and behind the garages on Breamer Road.

Mrs Wright has been accepted as a Governor of John Blow Primary School yesterday.

Mrs Scott and the Clerk have attended a meeting with Phil Beard, Parks Manager at NSDC about the Community Park; he will look over the new park designs when they are available. The Community Park has now been registered with the Land Registry.

Mick Goodwin from the Football Club has advised that a team of 12 year old football players are coming to Collingham from Villeneuve sur Yonne in May to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Club.

The grant agreement for the Youth and Community Centre (Y&CC) is to be signed tonight by the Clerk and Mr Allen as the Treasurer of the Y&CC as previously agreed.

A meeting for residents at risk of flooding has been arranged for Saturday 16 March at 10am at Girton Village Hall. The Clerk will contact all relevant householders.

The Parish Council have in the past taken part in the Colin Wing memorial quiz at the Memorial Hall which is on 12 April. Helpers are needed for the setting up of the May Fair, meeting at 9am on the day, the date for the next committee meeting of the May Fair is 15 April.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm  
4 members of the public present

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