

# Carlton on Trent Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall, Main Street Carlton on Trent on

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020**

## **Present:**

Cllr, L Hopkins (Chair), Cllr M Eley, Cllr M Hopkins, Cllr M Martin, Cllr M Rawson, Cllr D Wells-Pope, Cllr R Whate, T Grimes (Clerk), CCllr B Laughton, and 3 members of the public

### **1. To consider any apologies for absence**

DCllr SM gave apologies for missing the meeting.

### **2. To receive any declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

MM declared an interest in the clerks wages and the payment to Notts ALC.

### **3. To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

The minutes were approved as a true record of proceedings and were signed by the chair.

### **4. To amend the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019**

The clerk explained that in trying to make the minutes comply with accessibility legislation the section stating who was present had been lost on the December and January minutes. A list was produced for each meeting and signed by the chair to be appended to each set of minutes.

### **5. 10 minute open forum to receive questions and comments from members of the public**

One member of the public gave an update on the continuing problems with sewage for properties to the South of the village. The clerk commented that Severn Trent had sent a response to the council's email which would be covered under item 6a below.

A resident spoke of the vibration from lorries on the A1 slip road which is so bad it rattles items off surfaces and makes radiators creak on their brackets causing sleep deprivation and depression. They had contacted Highways regarding a possible reduction in the speed limit. CCllr BL was able to confirm that there was a potential repair available but as yet there was no date for it to take place. He offered to speak to Mike Keeling.

There were reports that parking on pavements was still an issue in places, mainly due to work vehicles, the owners of which would not have seen the newsletter.

A number of areas were highlighted as having overgrown plants impinging on the pavement; LH and DWP offered to speak to the residents concerned.

A member of the village hall committee explained an issue around the replacement roof requiring planning permission. Having heard the problems CCllr BL offered to pay the planning fee from his County Councillor's Fund. The clerk commented that N&SDC had emailed confirmation of the situation which would be covered under item 11 below.

A resident asked what would happen to the free trees from N&SDC as they were in his temporary care. The clerk said this would be determined under item 10 below.

## **6. To note any matters arising from previous minutes**

### **(a) Sewage issues**

The clerk tabled a response from Severn Trent, summarising it as follows: unless every resident reports every issue as it arises, Severn Trent will not be aware of the full extent of the problem and therefore action will not be a priority.

### **(b) Free Tree Scheme**

The clerk reported that this would be covered in item 10 below.

## **7. To receive updates on any District & County Councillor matters**

CCllr BL informed the meeting that Notts CC had introduced a permit system for all works on the Highway. Utility companies will have to apply for a permit and will be subject to a charge if Highways then had to reinstate the road due to poor standard of workmanship.

ME raised the matter of Caledonian lorries churning up the grass verge and spreading large quantities on mud on the highway and asked if the clear up costs would be recovered by the County Council. CCllr BL offered to report the problem and said he assumed persistent offenders would be chased.

He reported that the council had also introduced a zero tolerance approach to riparian water on the highway; ditches must be cleared to avoid field run off water flooding roads.

Finally CCllr BL told councillors that the budget meeting had resulted in approval of a 3.99% increase in Council Tax, that being 2% general increase and 1.99% ring fenced Health and Social Care costs increase.

## **8. To consider any planning matters**

### **(a) Notifications received**

#### **i. 19/02005/FUL 44 Main Street – new dwelling**

This has been permitted.

### **(b) Planning applications to discuss**

#### **i. 20/00158/LBC – Dovecote - alterations & extension**

#### **ii. 20/00158/FUL Dovecote - alterations & extension**

These applications both related to the same work – one being for Planning Consent and the other Listed Building Consent. Councillors considered the impact of the proposed works but felt no-one would be affected by it.

**RESOLVED:** To support the application.

(proposed MM, seconded RW, carried unanimously)

### **(c) Any other planning business**

None

## **9. To review the proposed 'new residents' leaflet**

Councillors thanked MH for his work in preparing a draft leaflet and some had made comments when it was circulated in the councillors pack. MH was asked to produce his preferred style of map and suggestions were made to incorporate more information on the services available at Sutton on Trent. MH offered to email the final leaflet to councillors.

## **10. To determine what should be done with the trees from N&SDC**

RW confirmed that these had been collected. It was agreed that the properties which had gardens abutting the A1 or the slip road should be offered 2 trees on a first come first served basis. It was felt speaking to residents would get a better response rate. A resident offered to go to each property.

**11. To consider submitting a planning application on behalf of the village hall**

The clerk reported that she had sought legal advice from Notts ALC and the response had been that most councils would not have permission, but given this council had the General Power they could apply. However, it wasn't recommended because if the work was not carried out to the correct specification the applicant would be responsible.

The clerk also called N&SDC to find out why they were advising Council's to apply for planning permission for village hall committees when most PC's didn't have the power to do this. N&SDC emailed confirming that the information was incorrect; the village hall committee could apply at the 50% rate if the PC owned the village hall but not vice versa.

As CCllr BL had offered to pay the fee no further discussion was required.

**12. To receive feedback from meetings/training attended**

**(a) Muskham PC – Network Rail Meeting**

LH was unable to attend and the clerk had not received an update from Muskham PC so there was nothing to report.

**13. To set a date for the litter pick**

This was set for 28<sup>th</sup> March at the last meeting and left on the agenda in error.

**14. To discuss and respond to the following correspondence**

**(a) N&SDC – Armed Forces Covenant**

It was felt this wasn't relevant to Carlton on Trent.

**15. To discuss and respond to the following consultations**

**(a) Notts CC - Waste Local Plan Issues and Options**

It was felt no response was necessary.

**(b) Notts NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups - Gamete and Embryo Cryopreservation Policy**

This was put on the agenda, then realising the date would have passed it was circulated to see whether an extraordinary meeting was required. No meeting was called as no-one felt a need to respond. It was left on the agenda in error.

**16. To consider the following financial matters**

**(a) To note the bank reconciliation**

This was checked and then signed by the chair.

**(b) To approve the following payments**

**i. VH Fee (on account) – TBC**

This was set at 1 hour making £20 to date.

**ii. NALC Subs - £71.53**

**RESOLVED** to make both payments

(proposed RW, seconded ME, carried unanimously, MM did not vote)

**(c) To note the following payments**

**i. Standing Order for Clerks Wages**

This was noted.

**17. To raise any other business which may need to be included on the agenda of the next meeting**

A copy of Clerks and Councils Direct was put in the folder for circulation. The clerk reported that a £20 donation had been received for Defib funds. The clerk read out a short email response from Mike Keeling regarding the request for kerb stones in Church Lane, suggesting it was unlikely they would materialise. MM asked that the village conservation status be questioned since it seemed to be causing many issues. It is believed to have been awarded due to an avenue of trees which no longer exist so perhaps it could be removed.

**18. To note the date of the next meeting**

7<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.40pm