

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Castle Gresley Parish Council

Held on Thursday 12th September 2019

Present

Councillors Mrs J Pallett (Chair) and Councillors N Sellers (Vice-chair), T Dowd, Mrs S Jackson, Miss L Johnson, O Pallett, I Woods

Also present

Mrs S Lloyd (Clerk and RFO), District Councillors Dan Pegg and Melanie Bridgen

Public – 7 members of the public were in attendance

244/19 Apologies for absence

County Cllr Pat Murray, Cllr B Greaves

245/19 Declarations of Interest

None

246/19 Public Speaking

(a) Public

An issue was raised regarding possible building works expected in Oak Close to be requested with SDDC, the Parish Council confirmed they are unaware of any application. Applications made to SDDC are notified to the PC only once a formal application has been made.

Allotments, there were reports of allotment holders having bonfires which is against the terms of the allotment agreement. The clerk was asked to write to all allotment holders to remind them of this term and to keep allotments tidy.

Concerns were raised over an increase in anti-social behaviour and drug related incidents.

The PC advised these incidents should be reported at the time of the issue to the police, most likely 101. District Cllrs Dan Pegg and Mel Bridgen are arranging a Q and A meeting with the police for the local public to attend.

The Pathway from Bridge Street (owned by Taylor Wimpey) is extremely overgrown and inaccessible at present. As it is owned by Taylor Wimpey, the PC asked the clerk to contact SDDC legal services to ask if we are legally allowed to clear the area (public right of way) under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. If the response is yes, then the clerk will ask Bloomin Gardens to clear urgently.

It was also raised that there is an issue with speeding traffic in various parts of the village. To date the PC have had no support to tackle this from County Highways. It was suggested that the PC could fund some signage to try and tackle the problem. Possibly for Linton Road and Hillside Road initially and possibly A444 (planning permissions will be needed). Clerk to add to agenda in October for discussion and research with Highways.

The PC was also informed that there is a doctor within Castle Gresley who is also a mobile volunteer doctor.

b) 10 Sept, Cllr Pegg had a meeting with the Police at SDDC. He requested a date for a Q & A session with the public. Date tbc. Bison do have permission to work through the night, he will however check the terms of the agreement re noise levels.

With regards to a possible planning application for Oak Close, he understands something has been discussed by not formally submitted.

c) Crime reports from police:

12/07 – Oak Close. ABH/Common Assault.

31/07 – Linton Road. Non-Dwelling burglary.
 10/08 – Appleby Glade. Criminal Damage.
 26/08 – Burton Road. Criminal Damage.
 Clerk to contact PCSO to confirm why some crimes aren't reported here.

RESOLVED that the reports be noted.

247/19 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th July 2019 be approved as a true record and signed by the chair.

248/19 Exclusion of the Public

None

249/19 Chairs Announcements

The Chair confirmed Cllr responsibilities as follows: -
 Cllr O Pallett and T Dowd – White Lady Springs.
 Cllr Mrs S Jackson – Planning applications, finance.
 Cllr O Pallett - Resetting the defibrillators, meeting contractors.
 Cllr T Dowd – allotments.
 Cllr N Sellers – finance, maintain football pitch.
 Cllr I Woods – Checking tress and pathways.
 Cllr Mrs J Pallett - finance.
 Cllr Mrs S Jackson & O Pallett – Village Improvements.

There is not currently a councillor who walks the public footpaths.
 Various councillors also attend area forums, safer neighbourhood meetings.

250/19 Clerks report

Grit bin request has been submitted for the slope on the old part of Swad Lane	Council approved the application as meeting the PC criteria, clerk to submit to DCC
Pavilion new windows	Expect to be completed by end of September. All costs covered by SDDC
SDDC Funding	PC applied for Safer Neighbourhood funding to support the purchase of the container, £2500 secured and will be paid to PC in next 2 weeks.
Website accessibility	Legislation to ensure website is accessible to all. PC have a new statement on the site.
Remembrance	Road closed confirmed, on noticeboards & website. 2 wreaths ordered with RBL.
Pavement repairs. Appleby Glade & Bass's Crescent	Chased with Cllr Murray and confirmed locations. 4/9/19, on DCC job list
Dead Silver Birch Tree	Reported to SDDC, its on the job list.
Allotments	No law which requires us to take back additional plots from people because of a waiting list, nor is there a law to say we must provide plots for those waiting.
AGAR	External audit completed. Notices displayed. One day short on the time displayed last year, no other comments.

NALC Financial Regs	NALC have produced new financial regulations, but PC can't access as we are no longer in DALC. DALC membership to be on agenda for October.
New defib @ Mount Pleasant Rec	No number on it, clerk contacted ambulance service to check
SDDC Play days	25 children attended 24/7 18 " 29/7 32 " 6/8 12 " 15/8 TOTAL 87 KIDS
Insurance renewal	Clerk advised she has 3 quotes and will confirm before 30/9
Picnic benches for White Lady	Clerk shared quotes and the PC agreed for Cllr O Pallett to speak to Grangewood re a quote and to review at the next meeting.

251/19 Items for Discussion/Decision

- a) Council agreed for the clerk to add the police crime reports for Castle Gresley to the minutes (requested from member of the public).
- b) Parish Council Facebook - Cllr L Johnson to go ahead with the facebook page she has set up for CGPC and this will be reviewed at the next meeting. Notices and information to be shared which is available to the public, no political links from the page.
- c) Event for 8th May 2020 (75th anniversary of D Day) commemorative event consideration – the event is to be booked at Rickmans Corner, to be held on Saturday 9th May, rather than the Friday. Requests to the public for what they would like, e.g., type of entertainment/food.
- d) White Lady access for mobility scooters. It was agreed that unfortunately it is difficult to allow mobility scooters yet stop motorised bikes. Both the clerk and Cllrs have researched this. Also, considering the access from 'Bowman's' side, it isn't practical for mobility scooters/wheelchair users. Therefore, it was agreed Cllr O Pallett will speak to Grangewood re replacing the old stile which had been removed.
- e) Update on container and possible funding contributions. Cllr N Sellers advised that there is a strong possibility of a grant to support the purchase of kitchen equipment, trim trail and services for the container which is now in place. Council agreed for Cllr Sellers to go ahead and accept funding contributions and go ahead with the services to the container, trim trail, kitchen.
- f) Linton Road proposed development SDDC refused permission for outline planning
- g) Speeding traffic action. This was also raised in the public session. Clerk had asked other local villages to discuss at their September meetings to gain people to be trained across the villages, rather than in their own. Cllr Miss L Johnson to get together a list of names with the clerk to give to the police to get a date booked for training.

252/19 Finance

a) The following payments were approved

Cheque	Recipient	Amount	VAT	Total	Item
DD	Eon	18.00	2.00	£20.00	DD electric
3065	Lifestyle Accounting	15.00	3.00	£18.00	Salary prep August
3066	Bloomin Gardens	324.00	64.80	£388.80	Delivery & installation planters, with compos & plants
"	Bloomin Gardens	285.00	57.00	£342.00	Grounds maintenance July
"	Bloomin Gardens	285.00	57.00	£342.00	Grounds maintenance August
"	Bloomin Gardens	130.00	26.00	156.00	Cut and stack fallen Trees at White Lady
3067	Payroll	569.70	0.00	£569.70	July salary (Inc. 4 CiL hours)
		9.00	INCOME TAX)	9.00	Mileage .45 x 20
		516.06	0.00	£516.06	August salary
		0.83	0.00	0.83	postage
		10.40	2.07	£12.47	Mobile July
		5.28	1.05	£6.33	Mobile August
				£1114.39	Total: £1114.39
3068	Amberol	1827.32	465.46	£2192.78	Planters x 4
3069	PKF Littlejohn	200.00	40.00	£240.00	External Audit fee
3070	CANCELLED				
3071 & 3072	Ian Norris Plumbing (inv 19 & 33)	750.00	0.00	£750.00	Fit standpipe materials labour
	TOTAL			£5563.97	

Payments in

£11,684.50 SDDC precept

£3549.96 VAT return for 2018/19

253/19 Planning

No applications

RESOLVED that this be noted

254/19 Correspondence

Allotment holder request to update tunnels, clerk approved request in writing

255/19 Date and Time of Next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 10th October 2019, 7pm at the **Brick Room, Linton.**

