

COLLINGHAM *Parish Council*

MINUTES OF THE COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 6:30pm on 26 October 2023 at the Youth & Community Centre, Low Street, Collingham

Present: Councillors: R Fabian (Chair), S. Blagg, A Haberton, S Gray, J Wilson, I Orme

Clerk: C Ballantyne

Assistant Clerks: M-A Horley, H Boyd

In Attendance: No members of the public

148. **Declaration of intent to record, film or photograph the meeting by members, members of the public or the press**

None

149. **Public Forum**

None

150. **To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Curran, resolved unanimously to accept the reasons for absence. Councillors Davis, Walker and French were not in attendance and no reasons for absence had been received.

Apologies received from District Councillor Farmer, noted.

151. **To receive any declarations of interest**

Councillors Haberton and Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Item 159a as shareholders in the Royal Oak.

152. **To receive and approve the Minutes:** of the Parish Council Meeting of 28 September 2023, previously circulated to members. These were agreed unanimously and signed by the Chair.

153. **To receive reports from District and County Councillors**

District Councillor Mrs Dales

The Safer Neighbourhood Group reports that the area has been quieter, some individuals have been apprehended. Attention was drawn to two large solar farm developments to the north of the village which will be a national planning consideration. There is an informational website. The quarterly healthcare group in Newark no longer has a Collingham Parish Council representative – Mrs Dales is prepared to continue for the time being.

District Councillor Mr Farmer

Nothing to report this month.

County Councillor Mrs Darby

Written report received and available on request to parishioners.

154. **Finance**

a. **To Formally Note Items of Receipt since the last meeting:**

Receipts		Total
NSDC	Precept	£23,539.00
GEM (3 October) Cash	GEM - Donations	£39.50
GEM (3 October) Cash	GEM - Raffle	£39.00
GEM (11 October) Cash	GEM - Donations	£53.00
GEM (11 October) Cash	GEM - Raffle	£27.00
GEM (17 October) Cash	GEM - Donations	£29.00
GEM (17 October) Cash	GEM - Raffle	£27.00
GEM (25 October) Cash	GEM - Donations	£32.00
GEM (25 October) Cash	GEM - Raffle	£22.00
HMRC	VAT refund	£2,583.89

Noted

b. **To Formally Approve Items paid since last meeting by BACS/PayPal**

Expenditure		VAT	Total	
Gorilla Man Fitness	GEM - Resources	£25.00	NIL	£25.00
Pearsons Nursery	Station Adoption Activities	£20.83	£4.17	£25.00
Jerome Wright	Other asset maintenance	£75.00	£15.00	£90.00
Caron Ballantyne	GEM - Food Supplies	£29.02	NIL	£29.02
Bingham Ground Services	Capital Expenditure - Community Park	£1,866.24	£373.25	£2,239.49
NSDC	Trade Waste - Dog Poo Bins	£286.00	£57.20	£343.20
Frosts' Plant Centre	Capital Expenditure - Trees	£81.42	£16.29	£97.71
Sign Maker & UK Memorials	Capital Expenditure - Trees	£79.58	£15.92	£95.50

All payments approved unanimously

c. **To Approve Items for Payment to be paid by BACS**

Expenditure		VAT	Total	
AEB Landscapes	Park - Inspections	£300.00	NIL	£300.00
Phoenix Hall	GEM - Room Hire	£78.00	NIL	£78.00
Everedge	Capital Expenditure - Trees	£60.10	£12.02	£72.12
Linda Dales	GEM - Food Supplies	£9.19	NIL	£9.19
Gorilla Man Fitness	GEM - Resources	£25.00	NIL	£25.00
Rosemary Fabian	GEM - Food Supplies	£1.55	NIL	£1.55
Y&CC	Meeting Room Expenses	£70.00	NIL	£70.00
Caron Ballantyne	GEM - Food Supplies	£18.12	NIL	£18.12
Gorilla Man Fitness	GEM - Resources	£25.00	NIL	£25.00

All payments approved unanimously

d. **Bank Reconciliation for the year to date** – signed by Councillors Fabian and French, noted

155. **Planning**

a. Applications for Consideration

23/01367/HOUSE	Low Street (52)	Extension to existing orangery, two additional dormers, solar panels & conversion of existing open sided garage. (Amended) - NOT SUPPORTED unanimously. Comments made that recent flooding showed the importance of cars not parking on Low Street. Material Planning considerations: Access/traffic, health/safety
23/01655/HOUSE	Fisher Close (6)	Removal of existing garage. Single storey rear and side extension and new shed - SUPPORTED. Comments made on the need for drainage to be addressed.
23/01678/HOUSE	Swinderby Road (9), Sunnyside	Front and rear extension incorporating raising of existing eaves and ridge, replacement windows, doors and roof covering and external render. Proposed rear store/outbuilding SUPPORTED by majority
23/01717/HOUSE	Swinderby Road (67) Home Farm	Single storey rear extension SUPPORTED unanimously

b. Applications Determined

23/00213/FUL	Fosse Road, Brough (Methodist Chapel)	Application Permitted
23/01000/HOUSE	Bell Lane (19)	Certificate Issued
23/01285/FUL	Rio Drive (Millenium Green Business Centre)	Application Permitted
23/01470/FUL	Moor Road (19)	Refused
23/01485/TWCA	Temperance Lane (7)	No Objections
23/01504/TWCA	South End (14)	No Objections
23/01505/TWCA	South End (14)	No Objections
23/01531/FUL	Fosse Road, Brough (East View)	Application Permitted
23/01568/DISCON	High Street (69), Chatwood	DOC - All conditions discharged
23/01640/NMA	Swinderby Road (10)	Application Permitted
23/01778/TWCA	Church Lane (14)	No Objections

Noted

c. Appeals Lodged

22/02248/FUL	Station Road (11)	Erection of New Dwelling; Alteration of Existing Dwelling; Demolition of Existing Garage and Shed and Erection of New Garaging NO FURTHER COMMENT to planning inspector
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d. Local Development Framework Plan Review Second Publication Allocations & Development Management Development Plan Document

Resolved unanimously to respond that the plan is acceptable.

Action: Clerk

156. To consider Grounds Maintenance specification for the 2024-2027 contract

Resolved unanimously that the existing specification is to be used, including the wildflower meadows as added during the last contract period.

157. Grant Applications

a. To consider Section 137 application from Collingham Rural Advice and Resource Centre for 2024-2025 funding

Resolved unanimously to award a £1000 grant every year for next five years, and that the collection would be for CRARC at Christmas Lights switch on.

Action: Clerk

158. Fleet Article for December - Councillors Fabian and Walker to write, topics were suggested

Action: Councillors Fabian and Walker

159. Correspondence

a. Request for letter of support from the Royal Oak Community Pub Committee, resolved not to write the letter of support as the PC has already helped by registering the Royal Oak as an Asset of Community Value.

b. Request for support for Climate and Ecology Bill, resolved unanimously not to support as the PC prefers to concentrate its environmental initiatives locally.

c. NCC School admissions consultation 2025-2026, resolved to publish on noticeboards as well as website

Action: Clerk

d. Fields in Trust – notification of new guidance and fee structure

Noted

e. Have your say on NCC budget, resolved that Councillors will respond as individuals

Action: All

f. Remembrance Sunday - Winthorpe Airfield, resolved that Councillors Fabian and Haberton to attend.

g. Remembrance Sunday - All Saints Church, resolved that Councillors Blagg and Wilson to attend.

160. **Parish Clerk & Councillors Reports**

Parish Clerks Reports

Item	Agenda
➤ Land ownership records have been checked, list to be compiled of records held locally and those which are not	21/129a
➤ Parish Field Lease Amendments, being discussed with Notts Wildlife trust	22/167b
➤ Parish Field to be registered with Fields in Trust	22/167c
➤ All policy/procedure/action plan etc documents to be published to the website	65 - 77
➤ Yellow rattle plants to be ordered for the Cross	117
➤ All training requests booked	129e
➤ External Audit Report, posted to the website along with conclusion of audit	131a

Clerk Specific Items

- All planning consultations responded to

Assistant Clerk (Mary-Ann) Specific Items

Website and social media engagement continues

129f – Websites now transferred to WordPress

147 – Handover from Caron to Mary-Ann and from Mary-Ann to Harriet progressing well

Reports to NCC

None		
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Nottinghamshire County Council have advised that they are planning to provide a multi user surface to PRow 14 (Swinderby Road to the Cross) in this financial year, which will be funded by the Local Transport Plan. This has been requested for many years by the Parish Council and residents. The Parish Council would like to see this path installed for the lengths where landowner permissions have been granted. Clerk to send a response accordingly

Reports to NSDC

None		
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Councillor Gray

Councillor Gray thanked flood wardens Caron Ballantyne and Gareth Milner for their work during Storm Babet.

Councillor Blagg

I attended the Liaison meeting on 17 October. District Councillor Linda Dales is the Chairman of this meeting. This meeting is also attended, in addition to Collingham PC, by representatives from Winthorpe and Langford PC, the Manager of the Langford RSPB Reserve, Tarmac and the planning officer responsible for minerals at NCC.

Tarmac gave a brief update of sales. The cancellation of the HS2 project north of Birmingham would have a knock-on effect on overall demand but the development of the A46 bypass would help. Overall, sales were busy.

The Manager of the RSPB stated that the Langford reserve had grown in size quite a bit since the recent transfer of more land by Tarmac. The RSPB had now taken on ownership of the footpath around the reserve and there were no proposals to resurface the footpath but just to cut back the vegetation to ensure the footpath was clear. He said that the function held at the reserve on 23 June to celebrate the transfer had been a great success with many representatives. The Chief Executive of the RSPB and Tarmac spoke well about the merits of the extension. The RSPB continues with its reed planting. Three pairs of Bitterns had bred in the reserve this year which was excellent news. DPD had given money to finance the construction of three new sluices. An assessment was being carried out on water levels and use of water in the reserve and this was an important exercise to undertake to ensure that the appropriate controls were in place before Tarmac left the area.

The Notts planning officer stated that they were currently in discussions with Tarmac about proposals to extend its operations in a southerly direction and a scoping exercise had been recommended to be carried out by Tarmac. These proposals would not affect the NCR 64 route. Tarmac stated that its proposals for the northern development would be “massive”.

The representative from Winthorpe and Langford PC stated that work was still on-going with their Neighbourhood Plan (NP), funding was being sought to extend the play park, that the skatepark was now redundant with the views of the public were being sought on its future use.

The meeting was informed that Collingham PC was currently seeking the views of its residents on what they would like to see in their NP.

Tarmac stated that the introduction of technology in the cabs of HGVs carrying their material had the ability to inform of the speed of the HGVs passing through villages like Collingham and Langford. Also, debris left on the A1133 from HGVs leaving the plant was quickly addressed.

Councillor Wilson

91 – Rogations Sunday to be discussed with the PCC

115b – Discussion with young farmers ongoing in relation to the Christmas event

161. **To consider resolving that under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and members of the press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Act**

162. **Public open space**
Resolved unanimously that the PC would accept the land near the previous Gusto offices on Rio Drive as a gift if offered.

Action: Clerk

163. **Solar Farms**
NSDC & Bassetlaw District Council are consultees, but the Planning Inspectorate will make the decision on a development this size. At some point there will be a statutory consultation where the Parish Council will be consulted.

The meeting closed at 8:24pm

Abbreviations:

NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council/Councillor

NSDC – Newark & Sherwood District Council/Councillor

LCS – Lincolnshire Cooperative Society

EMR – East Midlands Railway
PRoW – Public Right of Way
Y&CC – Youth & Community Centre
CDHS – Collingham & District History Society
PPG – Patient Participation Group
TVIDB – Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board
CPL – Community Partnership Library
SPD – Supplementary Planning Document
GEM – Greet, Eat & Meet
NCN – National Cycle Network

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