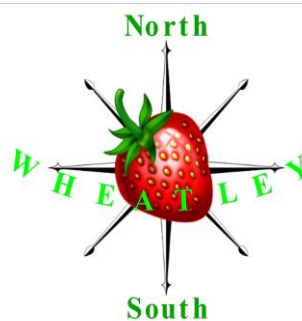


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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th April 2023

Present: Cllrs V Wilson (Chair), M Newby; D Cooke; A Parker, D Cartwright; S Hayden and Clerk: S Stilliard.
Residents None
Guests: CClr J Ogle

PUBLIC FORUM – none present

PLANNING MEETING

Apologies for Absence – Cllrs J Goacher; J Nixon; C Page; R Naish and DCllr J Naish

Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality – none

New Applications –

Demolish Existing Garage and Erect New Larger Garage The Cottage Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DR Ref. No: 23/00233/HSE | Received: Mon 20 Feb 2023 | Validated: Tue 14 Mar 2023 | Status: **Awaiting decision**

Council voted to support this application – **Action Clerk to inform planning**

Old Applications awaiting decisions –

Construction and Operation of a Battery Energy Storage System with an Electrical Output Capacity of up to 500MW and Associated Development Including Power Inverter Systems, Electrical Banking Station, Electrical Cabling including Below Ground Cabling to 400KV Switchyard, Welfare Facilities, Internal Access Roads, Site Security Infrastructure, Lighting, Boundary Treatments, and Landscaping. Land East Of Gainsborough Road Bole Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 22/01713/FUL | Received: Fri 23 Dec 2022 | Validated: Thu 29 Dec 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area Consisting of Reduce in Height by 2 Meters 10 Apple Trees Old Mill Farm Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DR Ref. No: 22/01501/CAT | Received: Wed 26 Oct 2022 | Validated: Wed 26 Oct 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Carry Out Works to Trees Within a Conservation Area - Reduce Height of Apple Tree From Approx 20ft (6m) to 6ft (1.8m) Above Ground Level Bargate Farm Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire

DN22 9DR Ref. No: 22/01210/CAT | Received: Fri 02 Sep 2022 | Validated: Tue 20 Sep 2022 | Status: **Pending Consideration**

Extension of Existing Cold Storage and Packing Facility and New Farm Access Road Harwill Farm Wood Lane North Wheatley Nottinghamshire Ref. No: 21/01642/FUL | Received: Tue 02 Nov 2021 | Validated: Thu 18 Nov 2021 | Status: **Awaiting decision on amended application**

Major changes to Wood Lane have been proposed to accommodate additional traffic including road widening and passing places (utility services will need to be moved). This is with Highways for comment

Decisions –

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area Consisting of Fell One Sycamore Tree Newhaven Top Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DB Ref. No: 23/00145/CAT | Received: Mon 06 Feb 2023 | Validated: Mon 06 Feb 2023 | Status: **No need for Tree Preservation order**

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - T1 - Remove Tayberry Church View Middlefield Road North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DA Ref. No: 23/00019/CAT | Received: Mon 09 Jan 2023 | Validated: Mon 09 Jan 2023 | Status: **No Tree Preservation order needed**

Demolition of an Existing Bungalow and Other Existing Structures within the Site and the Construction of a Replacement Dwelling Trees Low Street North Wheatley Retford Nottinghamshire DN22 9DS Ref. No: 23/00111/FUL | Received: Fri 27 Jan 2023 | Validated: Wed 01 Feb 2023 | Status: **Granted**

Other planning matters

Hedge removal application near the Sun Inn has been withdrawn

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

04.23.01. Apologies for Absence – Cllrs J Goacher; J Nixon; C Page; R Naish and DCllr J Naish

04.23.02. Declarations of Interest and Confidentiality - none declared at this stage.

04.23.03. Report from the Chair

Cllr Newby will be stepping down following this meeting. He thanked the PC for their support whilst he was Chair and Cllr Wilson thanked him for his service and said he will be missed.

This leaves a vacancy on the PC. If any resident is interested, please contact the Chair or Clerk

04.23.04. Police Report The Chair attended an on-line event hosted by the Police and Crime Commissioner – Caroline Henry. Cllr Wilson suggested that the next event could be grouped such that PCs and PCSOs attend with representatives from the PCs that they cover – making it more directly relevant. The Commissioner agreed that the Police needed to be more engaged with rural communities but then PC Gareth Mitchell, who had offered to attend appropriate village events to promote a rural police presence, had to decline 3 invitations from Wheatley on the grounds that his team have unfortunately been abstracted to cover night-time economy in Mansfield / Bassetlaw. *“As a team they have tried really hard to change our shifts to enable us the freedom to engage with the community, but they have been knocked back with their request.”*

04.23.05. Community Speedwatch and Traffic calming

The post office in Wheatley has confirmed that the Speedwatch team can store signage on their premises to allow volunteers to collect it when in use.

A training day scheduled for April was cancelled by the police and the team is awaiting a new date **Action Cllr Cartwright**

Council approved a cost of £300 for the interactive speed sign near the Sun Inn to be assessed and repaired on site if possible **Action Cllr Parker to confirm this**

04.23.06. District and County Councillor Reports

DCllr Naish being in a period of purdah prior to elections in May did not submit a report this month

CCllr Ogle told Council that potholes in Wheatley had been filled, however Cllr Cooke pointed out that not all of those with yellow rings around had been filled and the quality of the work was poor - such that the road surface near the Church in South Wheatley is still appalling. CCllr Ogle urged residents to complain and claim for any damage to cars as a result, since this may lead to more repairs. He said there is a £250 million deficit at Notts Highways and rural roads suffer from neglect more than A and B roads in the County. The Chair suggested that contractors other than Via may be able to do the work better and cheaper and urged CCllr Ogle to seek other suppliers to quote against Via

Cllr Cooke raised the issue of the Beck behind the Pavilion with CCllr Ogle. It needs to be stabilised within the next couple of years to prevent the Pavilion slipping and the School potentially flooding in an extreme event as it has before. Ian Davis from BDC had promised some funding for the work to be carried out in Autumn 2023 but apparently this has now been diverted to areas in Worksop. The estimated cost for the work is £30-40K . The PC has £12k ring fenced to match fund but clearly cannot afford the whole cost. CCllr Ogle was asked if Notts CC could help, since flooding and the School are County issues. **Action Cllr Newby** to compose an e-mail to CCllr Ogle setting out the likely consequences of no action, with a copy to DCllr Naish who may be able to find some funding from BDC

04.23.07. The Lengthsman scheme

The grass in the Community Garden to be cut again before the Coronation Weekend i.e. around May 4th Cllr Cooke to also ask the lengthsman to clear the leaves / mud on pavements From Old Mill Farm to the bottom of Church Hill on Low Street **Action Cllr Cooke**

04.23.08. Finance

03.23.08.01 Bank Reconciliation. The bank reconciliation to 31st March 2023 was approved and signed

03.23.08.02 Accounts for Payment. The following payments were approved.

S Stilliard – salary and expenses for March	£	491.45
Sam Foster – lengthsman for March	£	216.00
HMRC – Clerk's tax Jan – March	£	225.40
Dawn Cartwright – repay cost of Speedwatch equipment	£	55.04
Burgess Print – PC newsletter	£	109.00

Action Clerk to make payments

04.23.08.03 Annual Governance Statements

Council approved the Governance Statement for 2022/23 and the Chair and Clerk signed these. **Action Clerk to send to the external auditor**

04.23.08.04 Natural England Seed Corn Funding

This is not something that the PC could suggest a project for within the time frame for application.

04.23.09. Minutes of the PC Meeting held on 14th March 2023.

The minutes were agreed unanimously by Council and were signed off by the Chair

04.23.10. Matters arising from the minutes (non agenda items)

Tiles for the community garden shelter

The tiles have been submitted for production

Replacement Signs on A620

Signage still awaited **Action Cllr Hayden to take new pictures for resubmitting to Highways**

Flood wardens for the village

Cllr Page has attended an on-line training session and Cllr Naish will need to do this on-line at his convenience before he can be signed up as a Flood Warden. Policy document needs to be submitted to BDC now **Action Clerk**

04.23.11. NALC / Reports from outside bodies

Nothing to report

04.23.12. Correspondence

There were 2 items of correspondence for March as follows:-

A resident contacted DCllr Naish about inconsiderate parking on Low Street which was making it hard for them to enter/exit their drive. The parking is not illegal however and is not obstructing the whole pavement and as such there is little that can be done to stop it. The PC (and resident) has spoken with the owner of the car being parked on Low Street and both DCllr Naish and CCllr Ogle are aware. The PC is now at the limit of what it is able to do **Action Clerk to respond to the complainant accordingly**

A resident contacted the PC to query whether the new drain covers in the village were a danger to small animals which could fall between the bars. This is not an issue which the PC can address and it is likely that the covers are built to a standard which takes this into consideration No further action required

04.23.13. Playing Field / Pavilion / Community Garden

04.23.13. 1 Playing Field and Pavilion

Some more table tennis balls and bats to be ordered for the Community Garden **Action Chair to check that this has been done**

An offer of training for a Councillor to learn how to check the play equipment was not deemed necessary. Cllr Cooke has attended one in the past and this does not replace the annual professional inspection required by the PC's insurance company.

A sign to remind people to put bats and balls back to be ordered **Action Chair**

The Cricket Club has applied for an alcohol licence for a temporary bar which would be open on practise and match days. There have been 3 objections from residents concerning potential noise / parking issues and litter. The Cricket Club has always had teas and drinks after practice and matches so little would change apart from the ability to raise funds for the Club by charging for the drinks. The PC has written in support of the licence and there is a hearing on May 2nd. In the meantime the Cricket Club has been granted a one day licence for the bar at the Coronation event on May 8th

04.23.14. Highways / Footpaths / Water Course / Public Safety

04.23.14.1. Street Lights / street furniture

Nothing to report

04.23.14.2. Highways and Footpaths

Some drains on the A620 have been reported as cleared but there is still one area not done **Action Chair to take photos if possible and Clerk to report to Matt Duckworth**

Dogs are being allowed to run loose on Chapel Field and Muspitts Lane where there are footpaths (as well as the Playing Field). There are already signs in these areas asking people to keep dogs on a lead because of the harm to livestock and children of contact with dog waste. **Action all councillors and residents please to take photos of dogs loose and where waste is not being picked up, so that the offending owners can be reported to the enforcement team who can take appropriate action**

04.23.14.3. The Playing Field beck

As discussed in County Councillors report above

The Chair has asked for a quote to stabilise the Beck which could be lower than the £30-40K quoted by Ian Davis of BDC. The contractor suggested using steel sheets to stabilise the Beck sides with no digging out which could cause more damage. Two opinions should be sought before making a decision later in the year.

Action Cllr Parker to take pictures of the Beck and request another contractor quote

04.23.14.4. The Road Surface at South Wheatley

As discussed in County Councillors report above

04.23.15. Village Hall update

Currently the Village Hall committee is intending to fund the installation of Broadband **Action Clerk to remove from the agenda now**

04.23.16. Website / Facebook page

Nothing to report

04.23.17. Plaster Pits allotments

Nothing to report

04.23.18. PC Newsletter

The next Newsletter is due for distribution in July. Any articles to be submitted to Cllr Cartwright

04.23.19. Other village business

Boules club proposal

Cllr Hayden to decide how a Boules area will be constructed and funded (Rural Prosperity Fund for example). Costs will be sought by the May PC meeting. The Boules area will not be part of the Bowls Club

Coronation Celebrations

These will be held on bank holiday Monday May 8th.

All details of the events and food offers will appear on a poster which is being put up around the village **Action Cllr**

Wilson / Cllr Hayden / Cllr Cartwright

Bunting is to be ordered **Action Cllr Page**

A planter in the Community garden could be a permanent memorial to the Coronation **Action Cllr Page to source a suitable one**

PC Meeting dates for 2023

All topics for discussion at PC meetings should be noted on the agenda. If anyone has any agenda points please make sure the Clerk has them by close of play 8 days in advance of the PC meeting so the agenda can be issued in advance accordingly

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month unless the date is moved to avoid school and bank holidays / other public events. Meetings will start at 7.15 pm

16th May

13th June

11th July

12th September

10th October

14th November

12th December

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting

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