

**Minutes of Stathern Parish Council meeting**  
**7pm Tuesday 8th October 2019 in The Plough function room**

Present: Cllrs Steadman, Evans, Rhodes, Ramsay, Underwood, Humberstone, Bray, O'Donoghue  
Clerk: J Collins.

Members of the public: 3

**Members of the public are given the opportunity to address the Council**

Cllr Steadman has not heard from the LCC archaeologist to date.

Cllr Rhodes – The consultation financial strategy attracted 4371 responses mostly from older people. The most valued service is older people in residential care followed by roads and paths, gritting, child protection, mental health, then waste disposal.

The lease concern of cuts was to public health work around reducing smoking, weight, drug alcohol work, and grass cutting.

The results of this consultation will be available after it's gone through cabinet.

The Chancellor made statement on funding for local government, they will provide more money next year, but there is no information on what happens in the following years. It is not clear how this effects LCC. The figures are released in December.

Grantham canal – Looked after by the Grantham Canal partnership, both the County Council and Melton Borough Council are members of it. This partnership has not met for years, has a self-appointed chair, and are sitting on substantial funding of £32000. Cllr Rhodes would like to see 50% of this funding spent on the canal in Leicestershire. The County Council are considering dealing directly with canal and rivers trust as little work has been done in recent years, due to the partnership blocking moves made to try and improve it.

Bus arrangements –Service 23, 24 & 25 will be integrated, the service will not be hourly but should be slightly better than 2 hourly. Cllr Bray was concerned we are not consulted, Cllr Rhodes explained they have struggled to get any sort of proposal together at all and are in the hands of Centerbus to try to maintain a service. The current service will continue until the end of December.

**261. Apologies for absence**

Cllr Smith -Work

**262. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th Sept 2019**

The minutes of the meeting, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members. *Resolved* as an accurate representation and signed by the Chair

**263. Declarations of interest and dispensations**

To be declared during the agenda item if applicable.

**264. Receipt of SRA committee meeting minutes**

No meeting has been held

**265. Receipt of Stathern NHP committee meeting minutes**

Copy of minutes emailed to Cllrs on 10th Sept.

The open evening was well attended with 70 people visiting. The feedback is available on the PC website, via Facebook or by contacting the Clerk or Cllr Underwood. The open event was quickly followed by the initial theme group meeting which was attended by 22, they are operating and will continue to meet for another 3 or 4 sessions over the 3 areas, these groups will feed back to NHP committee meetings next meeting date for that is to be arranged.

**266. Correspondence / Planning Applications, including those received prior to the meeting**

## **Planning Applications**

**19/00052/FULHH** Amended Plans Ashleigh House 14 Main Street Sathern - Rear storey and a half extension to replace existing flat roofed single storey area. Rebuilding conservatory as a sun room. Widening rear dormer window.

*Resolved* no need to comment

**19/00978/DIS** Discharge of Conditions: 5 (Drainage Surface and Foul Water) and 9 (Drainage Surface Water) of permission 16/00956/FUL Land Adjacent Hillcrest Tofts Hill Sathern

*Resolved* no need to comment

**19/01032/TCA** T1 - Blossom Tree - Cut branch, The Beeches 35 Main Street Sathern LE14 4HW

*Resolved* no need to comment

**19/00741/FUL** Field OS 4011, Tofts Hill - Amendments

This should go to planning committee this month or next, there may be a delay. The size has been reduced on 3 dwellings. There is a lot of water running down tofts hill – *Resolved* the objection stands – check visual impact assessment

**Actions;** Check visual impact assessment for Tofts Hill application

## **Correspondence**

Martin Fagan of community heartbeat – requests £500 to fund defibs for 2 years. Would like to discuss VETS. PC will look what other vale partners support. *Resolved* to make a donation of £250 to support the defibs for 1 year. Get further details on training, PC pay price of hall if the service is to be FOC. VETS taken forward to next month.

MBC – Letter directing PC to advise re Brexit

Mrs Bryan Stables – re her husband’s memorial flower holder being moved.

CPRE Leicestershire – AGM on 9th October KB is attending

Jamie Brown – Esland care parking at the Brambles and an introduction, they are working on getting the staff cars onto their driveway, however this is not always possible. *Resolved* to monitor the issue.

Precept letter – For next month’s agenda.

## **267. Payments and Receipts**

### **Payments**

Clerk salary 4 weeks	£448.80
SSE electricity	£122.41 D/D on 26/09
EoN maintenance	£139.54
R Scarborough (Sept)	£630 (400 grass, 230 fencing on allotment)
Community heartbeat trust	£250.00

Agreed that in principle once cleared by NHP the invoice of £2400 can be paid.

*Resolved* that the invoices have been inspected by Cllrs, payments approved and cheques signed

### **Receipts**

None

### **Playpark account**

#### **Payments**

None

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None

**268. 2nd Quarter Financial Update**

Clerk handed out copies of the latest bank statements together with details of income, expenditure and financial commitments. *Resolved* to take a closer look at the detailed sheets next month when looking at the precept.

**269. Mill Hill Development (STAT1) – Any update on status prior to meeting**

Nothing to add

**270. Response submitted to transport survey**

Brought forward before first item for the benefit of Cllr Rhodes, this was a standard survey indicating what is important to you. Cllr Bray's response on the survey was that the roads are looked after and considered OK, however they are not better than they were a year ago. When considering which services to reduce, the response given was that they would not be reduced but done better as the pot hole repair service is inefficient and not well done. Cllr Rhodes states that LCC saved £200 million last year which has helped it to survive and gives an acceptable service.

**271. Traffic and Parking in the village**

After discussion about an old scheme to narrow the road and general parking issues around the village as well as details of a recent accident. It was *resolved* that KB would analyse the historic figures for the NHP, who would look at potentially monitoring parking and collating evidence.

**Actions;**            Analyse historic speed figures            KB  
                         Monitor and evidence                        NHP

**272. Snow Wardens**

LCC contribute £6.89/hr. *Resolved* that PC will make it up to £8.21/hr

**Actions;**            Order new snow warden equipment            Clerk

**273. Consider Quote for clearing allotments 1 & 18**

Remains at £400 to cut hedge, clear and remove self-seeded trees – *Resolved* that the quote is accepted.

**Actions;**            Book the work            Clerk

**274. Consider Quote for clearing fallen branch behind PC notice board**

R Scarborough £150.00. *Resolved* that the quote is accepted

**Actions;**            Book the work            Clerk

**275. Village Matters**

- Street light 15 on The Crescent is out and has been checked, it needs replacing at a cost of £350 plus vat. *Resolved* that this quote is accepted and the work is to be done.
- Fly tipping has been reported on Blacksmith End opposite Vale View bungalow in the ditch – this has now been cleared and evidence has been gathered for MBC to follow it up
- MBC are responsible for the Cherry tree on crescent and are following it up
- Footpaths on Atton's field are overgrown – landowner's responsibility. *Resolved* that if anyone is concerned the individual should report it
- Dog bin by low woods hit by a mower and is leaning over. *Resolved* the CR will check it
- There have been a number of attempts to break as well as burglaries and a similar spate in Eastwell and Bingham. Add it to the PC website
- Trees on Harby Lane, the trees are getting big so cattle cannot be seen. They belong to highways. Mr Coy to write to highways and PC will send a note of support, send a picture to show the issue.
- Thank you to the villagers for help and cooperation with the duathlon.
- Cllr training x 2 @£40 for Ken and Kathy. *Resolved* to book the training

<b>Actions;</b>	Book repair of street light #15 with Eon	Clerk
	Check the dog in near Low Woods	CR
	Add warning of break ins to website	Clerk
	Update Mr Coy re the trees on Harby Lane	Clerk
	Book Cllr training	Clerk

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th November 2019**

Meeting closed: 20:35