

Colsterworth and District Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6th September 2011

Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

Present:

Councillors: C Atter, M Cooper, A Carsley, D Hamilton-Hinds, D Cox, C Russell, B Palmer, J Weston, P Cox, A Simmons, I Greenwood,
District Councillor Bob Adams (Isaac Newton)

All Parish Councillors are reminded that by law they are summoned to attend all Parish Council meetings. If they are unable to attend they must advise the Parish Clerk with a reason for non-attendance preferably before the meeting from which they will be absent – failure to forward this information means a Parish Councillor is shown as absent.

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor J Clark, B Scorrer, A Wood
District Councillor M Wilkins

Absent: None

2. Chairman's remarks

Chairman commented on the excellent flower display this year on the church railings and the war memorial. Well done to the members of the Allotment and Gardeners Association.

3. To receive declaration of interest in accordance with LGA 2000

None.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting

Please note the minutes are distributed in note form each month to all Parish Councillors so that they may make comments and alterations via the Parish Clerk thus saving valuable time at the Parish Council's next meeting when approving the minutes. These were agreed.

5. Proposal to loan funds to the Youth Club:

Councillor Brenda Palmer proposed:

The Parish Council agrees to give an interest free loan (not to exceed £10,000) to Colsterworth Youth Club to pay for installation of a central heating system and replacement of windows and doors in the Youth Club building on Colster Way subject to the following conditions:

- a) *The Youth Club shall repay a minimum of £800 per annum to the Parish Council from rent received for leasing out the Colster Way building until such time as the loan is repaid or the building sold, when the remaining loan could be paid off. (Note: if David Wilson Homes funds are secured to pay for these renovations the Parish Council loan will, depending on timing, be repaid or not required).*
- b) *The Parish Council shall be consulted and actively participate in any re-negotiation of the Lease of the Colster Way building.*
- c) *The Youth Club will work with the Parish Council towards providing a new dedicated Youth Club building in the Parish and any such new building shall be part funded by the sale of the Colster Way building.*

The motion was passed by majority vote of 8

6. Children Play Areas

Councillor A Simmons raised the question of Safety Inspections and also upgrade of play equipment. Wicksteed undertake an annual safety inspection which councillors consider. High priority work is always undertaken. ROSPA recommend that play equipment should be inspected on a more frequent basis. It was suggested that our Community Cleaners could undertake this task. Clerk will discuss with them and arrange training if appropriate.

Councillors Simmons, Palmer and Greenwood agreed to explore what type of modern play equipment may be appropriate to upgrade the current play areas. The possibility of a Teen Shelter will also be considered. To report back at the February 2012 meeting.

7. Clerk's Report and items arising from Minutes

- a) Annual audit. External audit has been completed and approved by Clement Keys (Accountants).
- b) LCC Highways:

Resurfacing work will be completed this financial year on:

- i) The Close junction with Woolsthorpe Road
- ii) Rectory Lane/Post Lane junction at North Witham

- iii) B6403 approach to the A1 north junction Vehicle Activated Sign on Bourne Road. LCC have apologised for the delay in connecting the VAS at this location but expect the legalities to be completed shortly.
- iv) LCC has finally completed the white lining work on Stainby Road some 5 months after the resurfacing work. In addition the road junction lines at Back Lane/High Street are in the process of being moved to allow greater visibility for traffic leaving Back Lane. The School Lane/High Street road junction lines are also planned to be moved for the same reason.
- c) Fly-Tipping. This is becoming a regular occurrence on Bull Lane, North Witham. Parishioners will be requested to be vigilant and report any suspicious vehicles directly to SKDC or to the clerk who will pass on the information.
- d) SKDC Planning have published their assessment of potential development sites in Local Service Centres. This was presented to SKDC Cabinet in August and will be incorporated in the Local Development Framework (LDP). A copy is attached to these minutes.
It is considered that the content is different to that discussed by representatives of the parish council when they met with SKDC in July. The chairman is to contact the Chief Executive to clarify the situation.
- e) Allotment inspections will take place on Sunday 18 September 11.00am
- f) Church Cemetery, School Lane. The wall is in a dangerous condition. Clerk will contact the PCC to establish what plans they have to make the wall safe.
- g) Old Post Lane cemetery extension. The fencing work was delayed as the appointed contractor withdrew. Work will now commence in September.
- h) Old Railway Line. The council's proposal to acquire the surface freehold has been checked by Langleys Solicitors (appointed by the Prohelp scheme) and submitted to the Waste Recycling Group.
- i) Anti-Social Behaviour. The clerk, chairman and district councillor met with SKDC and the Police to discuss the recent spate of anti-social behaviour in Colsterworth. The police reported they have had some success with identifying some of the culprits and appropriate action has been taken.
- j) The swings on the Woolsthorpe play area have been vandalised. The damaged child seats will be replaced but at a cost of £260.
- k) A meeting with SKDC Tenancy Services Manager and respective Housing Association will be requested in order to clarify their process in allocation of affordable housing.

8. Group Reports

Councillor Brenda Palmer informed the council that the services of a local architect has been volunteered to prepare drawings based on discussions with the Social Club and Village Hall. It is hoped that the council will be able to present the plan to David Wilson Homes in October for consideration in respect of qualifying for the financial contribution of £50,000.

Councillor Paul Cox reported that no local groups in the village have made plans with regard to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

9. Correspondence

SKDC Licensing	Draft Street Trading Policy – Comments
Mr P Peasgood	Complaint about Parish Council bonfires – Woolsthorpe Road
Neighbourhood Watch	AGM Walton Girls' High School – Tuesday 11 October 2011 7.30pm

10. SKDC PLANNING

The following applications were received:

S11/1444/FULL	G Twelvetree	Vary conditions S10/0973 The Stables, Stainby Road
S11/1570 & 1572	D Carrington	Repair detached building, demolition outbuilding Creation access and parking Land r/o 39/41 High Street, Colsterworth
S11/1932/HSH/PC1	D Cherry	Two storey front extension to provide double Garage with bedroom above and open-sided rear extension to form sun canopy 11 Bourne Road, Colsterworth
S11/2039/FULL/PC1	D Cooke Abacus Coaches	change of use of land to depot for coaches The New Fox Depot, A1 South, South Witham

SKDC Planning Permission Withdrawal

None

SKDC Planning Permission Refusal

None

SKDC Planning Permission Approval

S11/1385/HSB

Mr Robin Gregory

Single storey side extension

18 Woodlands Drive, Colsterworth

S11/1444/FULL

G Twelvetree

Vary conditions S10/0973

The Stables, Stainby Road

SKDC Planning Appeal Dismissed

S10/2179/LB/APP6

R Pyne

1 ½ storey extension The Barn, Morkery Lane

Planning Inspectorate – Appeal

S10/1941/LB

1) Appeal is dismissed as it relates to erection of a covered pergola

2) Appeal is allowed insofar as it relates to the chimney stack, the satellite receiver dish and the Velux roof lights.

Newton House, 44A High Street, Colsterworth

11. FINANCE: Accounts for Payment

CHEQUE NUMBER	SUPPLIER	DETAILS	VALUE £'s
102659	K Atter/M Robertshaw	Community Cleaners (July)	317.34
102660	J Hannam	Clerk's salary & Expenses (July)	777.41
102661	G Brumpton	Village maintenance	72.50
102662	Clement Keys	Annual Audit fee 2010/11	342.00
102663	Cols. Methodist Church	Room hire (July 13 th)	16.00
102664	LALC	Course fee/booklets	22.56
102665	Wicksteed Leisure	Play equipment maintenance	134.06
102666	WG Harrison Ltd	In Touch (July)	190.00
102667	WR Cooper	Village maintenance (July)	665.73
102668	Rick Webster	Village maintenance (June)	535.20
102669	LDTBF Ltd	Allotment rent	124.00
102670	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	Play equipment maintenance	268.21
102671	Rick Webster	Village maintenance (July)	496.80
102672	WG Harrison Ltd	In Touch (August)	190.00
102673	K Atter/M Robertshaw	Community cleaners (August)	317.34
102674	J Hannam	Clerk's salary & expenses (August)	661.50
102675	WR Cooper	Village maintenance (August)	515.00
102676	G Brumpton	Village maintenance (August)	77.50
DD	Anglian Water	Allotment water – Stamford Road	37.65
DD	Anglian Water	Allotment water – Woolsthorpe Road	36.18
DD	British Telecom	telephone	106.68
TOTAL			£5,903.66

APPROVED by Parish Council**Summary of Accounts:**

Income	18,440.82
Expenditure	14,489.32
Excess Income over Expenditure	£ 3,951.50

Bank balances at 31 August 2011

HSBC: Community Account	10,908.96
High Interest Account	9,032.75
High Interest Bond	30,000.00
Total	£ 49,941.71

PARISH PLAN FUND

£2084.50	balance April '08
1000.00	Lincs Waste (donation)
-30.02	NW play area – paint (climbing frame)
-250.00	“ “ – sand blasting
-142.00	labour (painting climbing frame)
-544.90	Xmas lights/electrics

-189.27	youth disco (£90.00+50.00+49.27)
-1400.00	grant to youth club
-63.00	Parish Plan – update 2011-2012
£464.81	current balance (included in Bank balances above)

12. Any Other Business

- Standards Committee – report Councillor Greenwood
- Stainby Road/Post Lane/Old Post Lane crossroads “Village Hall” sign
- Road surface erosion Church Lane, North Witham
- “No Ball Games” – Northern Close, North Witham
- Old Post Lane cemetery - rabbits

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35 pm

Signed

Chairman

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS AT
7.25PM ON THE 4th OCTOBER 2011**

Attendance to date (May to April – annual maximum 10)

	<u>Attended</u>	<u>Apologies</u>	<u>Absent</u>
C Atter	4		
M Cooper	4		
A Wood	3	1	
I Greenwood	2	2	
D Hamilton-Hinds	4		
J Weston	3	1	
A Carsley	4		
D Cox	4		
P Cox	3		1
B Palmer	4		
C Russell	4		
W Scorrer	2	2	
J Clark	1	1	
A Simmons	2		