



NAPTON ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

**Tuesday 3rd April 2018
Napton Village Hall 7.30pm
Minutes**

- 1. Present:** Cllrs Alsop, Clarke, Gooderham & Veasey. J. Warman. County Councillor Andy Crump
- 2. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Woodcock and District Cllr Chris Williams
- 3. Declaration of Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.** Taken by item
- 4. Minutes of meetings of 12th March 2018:** Agreed as a true record and signed
- 5. Comments and Questions from the Public:** Parishioners of Napton on the Hill are invited to address the Council on any relevant matter for a **maximum of three minutes**.
 - Malcolm Thomas spoke in support of planning application 18/00759/FUL pointing out that a thriving farming community is integral to the sustainability of our community and urging the Council to support the application.
 - Alison Watson asked for an update on the installation of a telecoms mast at Pastures Farm. It was explained that there are some legal issues between the land owner and the contractor which need to be resolved before the work can start.
 - Andy Bean reported that the gully and drain cover outside Alpine Rise on Hackwell Street needs repairing. Cllr Clarke to investigate.
 - Jim Sleight also spoke in support of planning application 18/00759/FUL and offered his continued help on the issue of Broadband.
- 6. Reports from District and County Councillors:** with the approval of the meeting this item was expanded to include all issues linked to Cllr Crump as he had to leave the meeting at 8.15pm
 - Broad band. Cllr Alsop once again expressed the frustration of the community regarding the poor service and lack of joined up thinking demonstrated by BTOR and CSW broadband. It was agreed that Jim Sleight would draft a summary of the position to date which Cllr Crump would use to try and set up a meeting with senior members of staff at BTOR and CSW plus the relevant portfolio holder.
 - Highways issues. The reduction to 50 mph on the main road will come into force some time this financial year. The repainting of the yellow lines outside school needs chasing. AC is awaiting a date for the Safer Routes to School work.

7. Planning matters:

Application(s) reference: 18/00405/FUL

Proposed : Alterations to existing office and self contained apartment to the first and second floors.

At : 18 High Street, Napton-on-the-Hill, Southam, CV47 8NB

For : Mr Ian Williams

It was **resolved** to support the application

Application(s) reference: 18/00814/AGNOT

Proposed : Steel framed agricultural storage building

At : Napton Fields Farm, Daventry Road, Southam, CV47 1NN

For : Mr Chris Bagshaw C and R Bagshaw

It was **resolved** to make the following comments:-

- The application supports a local farm business
- It is some distance from the road and therefore has little visual impact on the surrounding area.

Application(s) reference: 18/00802/AGNOT

Proposed : Steel Portal Frame Building for the secure storage of Machinery and fodder with associated 2 bay farrowing unit for outdoor reared pigs.

At : Land Off , Brickyard Road, Napton-On-The-Hill, CV47 8NT

For : Mr K Jordan

It was resolved to make the following comments:-

- The building seems overly large for the site but it is difficult to judge given that there is no agricultural activity currently taking place on the site.
- The location of the building seems strange as it appears to section off a corner of the field
- It is not clear how the site will be accessed.
- If permission is granted the Parish Council would like to see a condition limiting any future change of use
- It is important to note that land close to the site has recently been included in the site allocations DPD consultation as a reserve site for housing.

Application(s) reference: 18/00759/FUL

Proposed : Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling

At : Napton Holt Farm, Holt Road, Southam, CV47 1AJ

For : Mr Eadon

It was **resolved** to support the application but with the proviso that an agricultural tie is placed on the property.

8. Finance issues:

- Payments listed in appendix 1b were approved.
- It was agreed to accept the quote from Jamie Bennet to undertake the repairs to the allotment water tank.

9. Highways issues:

- Cllr Clarke reported that he and the Clerk had met with Patch Byrne and that as a result a number of orders for work had been issued.. The Clerk is now waiting for confirmation of exact dates.
- The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Police Community Speed Watch Co-ordinator and outlined next steps. An update will be placed in the Parish Magazine and sent out to all those who have expressed an interest in the Community Speed Watch Scheme
- The Clerk reported that she had undertaken a consultation exercise re the street light repair on Dog Lane. The responses were evenly split so there was no clear message from residents. The Council therefore resolved to replace the lamp but with a more modern design than is currently in place as this will be much more cost effective.

10. Correspondence:

- The Clerk reported that she had received a letter from the Village Hall requesting representation on their management committee. As in previous years it was agreed to send a representative to the AGM and then only to attend meetings if specifically requested. Cllr Gooderham agree to attend on 9th April

11. Neighbourhood Development Plan:

- The Clerk reported that a first draft plan had been produced and that a long list of “special views” and “local green spaces” will be consulted upon at the Annual Parish meeting. She also stated that she will shortly be applying for another grant to help with the costs of the next phase of work.
- The Housing Needs Survey report has now been published and requires adoption by the Council. It was agreed that it will be a useful planning tool going forward and the Council expressed its thanks to the NDP group for their help with the process. It was **resolved** to adopt the report.

12. Councillor’s items:

- Cllr Gooderham raised concern about the amount of litter appearing in the Skate Park. Cllr Alsop also noted that the hedge rows and verges were also in need of a litter pick. The Council has now purchased some litter grabbers which are available for anyone to borrow and the community are encouraged to help with keeping the village tidy. Cllr Alsop will post a message on Facebook as start. It was suggested that the Council should also chase up WCC/SDC to ensure they are meeting their obligations re street clearance.
- Cllr Gooderham reported that the Council had in principle agreed to the street names proposed by AC Lloyd. It was resolved to ratify the decision.

13. Dates of future meetings:

- Tuesday 1st May Annual Parish Council Meeting

- Sunday 13th May Annual Parish Meeting
- Monday 4th June
- Monday 2nd July

Signed.....

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