



NAPTON ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

**Monday 5th August 2019
Napton Village Hall 7.30pm
Minutes**

Present: Cllrs Woodcock, Heaf, Clarke, Alsop, Gooderham (chair) and Veasey. J, Warman (Clerk). Cllrs Crump and Rock. 13 members of the public were also present.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** None received
- 2. Declaration of Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:** Taken by item
- 1. Filming and recording of meetings:** The meeting was made aware of the rules
- 2. Minutes of meetings of 1st July 2019:** These were agreed as a true record and signed
- 3. Matters arising**
 - Hedges – The Clerk has sent to details to P. Byrne and Andy Crump. WCC have promised to contact the landowners. In addition to the Priors Marston Road and Marston Doles Road the Clerk was also asked to sort out Church Rd and raised footpath and the path adjacent to the main road opposite the Blue House
 - Viewing platform – complete
 - Green Lane at Marston Doles – carry forward
 - Parking outside No 2 Dog Lane – this issue has now resolved itself but if such issues arise again in the future the Clerk will contact PC Sid Hammond.
 - Highways issues – taken under item 11.
- 4. Comments and Questions from the Public:**
 - The Council was asked if it had any objection to Rotary planting crocus bulbs on Crown Green as part of an awareness raising campaign around the eradication of Polio. The initiative was welcomed although it was suggested that higher up the green would be best as there are daffodils in the lower part.
 - Concern was raised about a large amount of soil which has been dumped in the field adjacent to Howcombe Lane and about a pile of concrete which has been dumped on the Marston Doles Road. Clerk to report. The Council was also asked to contact WCC re a dip in the road outside Mr Collet's farm on the Marston Doles Road
 - Concern was again raised about the work being undertaken by the owners of Viewlands Cottage and the associated redirection of the footpath. The Clerk explained that she had contacted SDC enforcement for an update and reminded the meeting that a position statement had been given at the July meeting which explained the process that the owners of Viewlands are pursuing in conjunction with SDC planners. Some of those present then asked for an explanation of why the path had been temporarily blocked in the grounds of The Bakery. Cllr Gooderham explained that a relative had inadvertently put a fencing panel up in her absence and that it had been taken down as soon as she returned from holiday 4 days later. It was felt by some that the Chair, should not be taking part in debate relating to this issue and so she left the meeting at this juncture and Councillor Veasey took the Chair. It was pointed out that Cllr Gooderham did declare an interest when the application originally came before the Council and that there had been no

debate at the July meeting, simply an update from the applicant. It was felt that there had been no inappropriate conduct but that, with hindsight, it may have been better if the Chair had stepped out of that part of the July meeting. Cllr Rock undertook to contact SDC enforcement and Cllr Crump agreed to speak to Rights of Way. Cllr Gooderham then returned to the meeting.

5. Planning Matters:

Application(s) reference: 19/01705/VARY .

Councillors Gooderham and Alsop declared an interest in this item and left the meeting for the duration of the discussion.

Proposed : Variation of condition 3 of 13/02487/FUL to allow for the deletion of plan 5083/02C and its replacement with 5083/02D to allow the addition of a bathroom and kitchenette at first floor level within the outbuilding
At : The Ponderosa, Chapel Green, Napton-on-the-Hill, Southam CV47 8PA
For : Mr And Mrs Don Meredith

It was resolved to make no comment as the Council is unsure whether the proposal breaches the current conditions

Application(s) reference: 19/01898/COUQ

Cllr Alsop declared an interest in this application and left the meeting for the duration of the discussion.

Proposed : Prior notification of the change of use of an agricultural building into one dwelling under Schedule 2 Part 3 Class Q (a)
At : Myer Bridge Farm, Daventry Road, Southam, CV47 1NN
For : Mr & Mrs Wightman

It was resolved to make no comment

Application(s) reference: 19/01781/FUL

Proposed : Use of land for timber storage and processing; use of barn for mixed agricultural and wood processing purposes.
At : The Rookery, Daventry Road, Southam, CV47 1NN
For : Mr Brian Hallett

It was resolved to support this application provided the following conditions can be applied: a. the operation cannot expand beyond the current red line boundary b. the operation is confined to the processing of wood and kindling c. operating hours should be restricted so as to prevent work on a Sunday and that no machine noise should be allowed before 9.00am on other days.

Application(s) reference: 18/03425/FUL

Proposed : Erection of two-storey detached three bedroom house
At : The Woods , Vicarage Road, Napton-On-The-Hill, CV47 8NA
For : Mr Andrew Bowman Shaw

Given that the applicant had attempted to address the majority of the concerns previously raised by the Council it was resolved to withdraw the current objection

Application(s) reference: 19/01679/VARY

Proposed : Variation of condition 2
At : Woodview, Vicarage Road, Napton-on-the-Hill, Southam CV47 8NA
For : Mr Scott Standage

It was resolved to support this application

Application(s) reference: 19/01951/FUL

Proposed : Erection of domestic garage.
At : Bridge House, Southam Road, Napton-on-the-Hill, Southam CV47 8NQ
For : Napton Bridge Ltd
It was resolved to support the amended application i.e. a gabled roof rather than a hipped roof.

6. Reports from District and County Councillors:

Cllr Rock

- A survey is being undertaken to ascertain the issues facing of rural post offices with a view to lobbying Royal Mail to improve their lot.
- There will be boundary commission reviews of Parishes and Wards over the next few years
- No further housing sites are being put forward for the Southam area within the current SAP consultation
- NPC was encouraged to send a representative to the rural crime forum in Sept
- SDC have set up a Climate Change task and finish group and has declared a climate emergency

Cllr Crump

- A second round of the Councillor's grant scheme will be launched in September
- WCC have also declared a Climate Emergency and are trialling switching off streetlights and other initiatives
- The zebra crossing on Welsh Road West is now operational

7. Finance issues:

- The payments listed in appendix 1 were approved
- The payment of an annual subscription to the Volunteer Driver Scheme was approved
- The Chair reported that she had undertaken a review of the Q 1 finances with the Clerk and that a report will come forward to the Sept meeting with proposed changes budgets and reserves.

8. Granton Playing Fields refurbishment: The Chair reported that the contract for the upgrade had been awarded and that the power to do so is set out in the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 section 19.

9. Highways issues:

- Repairs to bricks surround on triangle at top of Butt Hill has been requested
- Patching works on Dog Lane are due this month
- AC Lloyd have been in discussions with Highways re the work to the site entrance. ACL are keen to avoid the need for a road closure but are awaiting approval from WCC
- The pothole outside The Malting on Poplar Road has been reported again

10. Neighbourhood Development Plan: The amendments arising from the consultation are being made. A revised version should be with Councillors by mid Aug

11. Pillory Green: The Council thanked Denis Grant for helping with the removal of the rubbish from the site. The Council will review suggestions for the long term future in Sept. In the short term the area will be levelled, and seeded.

12. Councillor's urgent items:

- Drains blocked on Crown Green – Clerk to report
- The new bus stop outside the Pastures on Dog Lane is on an uneven and sloping piece of ground. It was agreed to monitor it over the winter to see if it needs moving
- The Brickworks consultation is now underway. Deadline for responses is 16th Aug. Thanks were passed on to the volunteers who delivered the leaflets and to Hannah and Adam who are hosting the collection box.

13. Date of next meeting:

- 2nd Sept

Napton Parish Council Appendix 1

Expenditure transactions - payments approval list Start of year 01/04/19

Tn no	Cheque	Gross	Heading	Invoice date	Details
45		£197.75	1025/2	20/06/19	MEZTEC - Microsoft and malware annual subscription
43		£463.00	1010/3	28/06/19	Rollasons Solicitors - Legal fees for work on Pillory Green
42		£388.36	2050/2	17/07/19	EON - Energy use June 19
44		£1,207.20	2090	17/07/19	Frank Mann Farmers - Mowing costs June 19
51		£42.24	1025/1	22/07/19	BT - Phone bill MO40
48		£731.46	1001	26/07/19	Staff costs July 19
49		£230.70	1000	26/07/19	Warwickshire County Council - July pension
50		£1,000.00	2070	26/07/19	B. Line - Work to Hackwell bench
Sub Total		£4,260.71			
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