

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COLEORTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BEAUMONT CENTRE, PEGGS GREEN, COLEORTON
ON 27th SEPTEMBER 2018 at 7.30pm.**

PRESENT:-

	Councillor Michael Specht - Chair Councillor Michael Akroyd Councillor Terry Betts Councillor John Cotterill Councillor Colin Smith Sandra Dillon – Web Master John Macdonald – Heritage Warden Andrew Hogsden - Clerk
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128/2018 RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Chair noted the key points from the Council's policy on recording of meetings.

129/2018 APOLOGIES

Councillor Martin Farrand had sent his apologies.

130/2018 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

131/2018 REPORT FROM THE POLICE

The Police did not attend the meeting but had provided a report for August and September. There were 2 crimes reported in August and 3 to date in September although 2 of these were in fact in neighbouring parishes

Resolved:- that the report be noted.

132/2018 PERIOD FOR PARISHIONERS PARTICIPATION

Several members of the public were present, but no representations were made.

Resolved:- that this be noted.

133/2018 REPORTS FROM PARISH ORGANISATIONS AND COUNCIL APPOINTEES

The Heritage Warden had provided a written report. The memorial bench is assembled though it was proving difficult to remove the existing bench from its fixings. It is hoped the bench will be in place for the launch of the Poppy Appeal at the end of October.

John Macdonald has reviewed the draft woodland management plan with Angus Hancock and will discuss some practicalities with him, though it is unlikely there will be any material changes from the draft.

John Macdonald had informed the Parish Council in advance of the meeting that he intends to withdraw from the role of Heritage Warden with effect from this meeting and will no longer be producing the usual Heritage Report for Council meetings nor attending meetings on a regular basis. He does intend to send an outline of work undertaken and planned in Coleorton Wood in his role as Chair of the Volunteer Group, though.

The Web Master had provided written reports in advance of the meeting. There has been an increase in interest in the churches, footpaths and history pages, possibly because of the walks organised by The Heritage Group.

Resolved: - that the reports be noted, and the Council agree to fund the hire of machinery to remove the old memorial bench, if required.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Council Meeting on 16th August had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Resolved:- John Cotterill proposed that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th August 2018 be accepted as true records of the meetings. This was seconded by Michael Akroyd and passed unanimously.

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HS2

Two representatives from HS2 were present. They informed the Council that there is currently a working draft Environmental Statement and Equality Impact Assessment available. There will be a consultation to comment on these before these are submitted to Parliament in 2020.

The representatives explained that Community Area Reports will be produced for each stage of the line; LA04, Coleorton to Kegworth, is the relevant section for the parish. These will provide a description of the construction and operation of the proposed scheme, the environmental baseline, the beneficial and adverse effects on the environment, a summary of local alternatives considered since the July 2017 announcement and an outline of measures to monitor the adverse impacts. The environmental topics include air quality, cultural heritage, sounds, noise and vibration and traffic and transport. The Community Area Reports will include maps of the local area during the construction and operational phases and will include Environmental Impact Assessment Scope and Methodology Reports, the evolution of the proposed scheme and the draft code of construction practice. The objectives of the Working draft Equality Impact Assessment is to identify the presence of Protected Characteristic Groups along the route, inform the understanding of likely needs of those groups, to assess the potential effects, and to identify measures including reasonable adjustments to avoid, minimise and mitigate potential negative equality effects.

The consultation will commence after HS2 has been given consent by Parliament, expected later this year. Anyone will be able to make comments on line, via an e-mail and via Freepost.

There was some discussion about the Apply Parva to Ashby section and, in particular, an alternative proposal that has been made by an independent private company. The Secretary of State did ask HS2 to undertake a technical appraisal on this proposal. The Secretary of State will decide on this proposal but at the moment the route being worked on is the one announced in the summer of 2017.

Some concerns were made about the accessibility of HS2, that the nearest station is too far from Coleorton to generate any real improvement in overall journey times from the parish and also HS2 is not planned to stop at East Midlands Airport not improving public transport accessibility to and from the airport.

The Chair thanked the representatives from HS2 and complimented them on their knowledge of the scheme.

Resolved:- that the report be noted

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REMEMBRANCE DAY ARRANGEMENTS

The clerk reported that 30 additional lamp post poppies had been ordered via NWLDC and 20 from the British Legion, on top of the 47 remaining from last year.

Resolved:- that the clerk will read the list of names at the Coleorton War Memorial, Cllrs Specht and Smith will erect the lamppost poppies and that Cllr Terry Betts will organised two wreaths for laying at the Coleorton War Memorial.

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ON-GOING MATTERS

a) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

There were no matters to report.

Resolved:- that the item be retained on the agenda.

b) JUNCTION OF NEW ROAD, LOUGHBOROUGH ROAD AND CHURCH HILL

LCC have informed us the double white lines at this location are being extended and refreshed. They maintain that any additional work undertaken at the junction will need to be funded by a third party.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, the clerk ascertain the plans to extend the double white lines, and the item be retained on the agenda.

c) ST MARY'S CHURCH DONATION

The way forward on St Mary's is with the St Mary's PCC.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item be retained on the agenda.

d) COMMUNITY RESPONSE PLAN

The request for whether a more solid structure could be accommodated outside the Centre is to be discussed at The Beaumont Centre Committee when they next meet.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

e) PEGGS GREEN RECREATION GROUND

Play equipment inspection: The only corrective measure is attendance to the play equipment surface which has weeds protruding. The clerk had obtained some information regarding using bark as a replacement surface and also shared some brochures outlining some potential options to provide fencing to the play equipment area.

Resolved:- that the clerk obtain quotes for removing the existing surface, digging out the sub-base, clearing vegetation and erecting a wooden, coloured fencing around the play area, and that the item be retained on the agenda.

f) WAR MEMORIAL

We are waiting receipt of the grant from The War Memorial Trust. We believe they have all they need to pay us.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item be removed from the agenda.

g) FLY TIPPING – CORK SCREW LANE

There were no incidents of fly tipping in August and September to date.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

h) PARISH NOTICE BOARDS

Cllr Smith has kindly completed a refurbishment of the Parish Notice Boards on Beaumont Green and The Moorlands; both look much smarter.

It was noted that the planter on Beaumont Green maintained by the Women's Institute needs repair.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, the clerk request the Women's Institute to remove the stock from the planter so that Councillors can repair it, and the item retained be retained on the agenda.

i) DEFRIBULATOR

The clerk had approached 4 electricians for installing the defribulator; 3 had declined to quote with one quoting £598.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and that the clerk seek more quotes from electricians to install the defribulator.

j) PROJECTS TO IMPROVE THE PARISH

The clerk had obtained a quote for renting and stocking the window style boxes with winter plants for £968.50 + VAT.

Resolved:- Cllr Smith proposed we do not proceed with this on cost grounds but that the item be retained on the agenda. This was seconded by Cllr Cotterill and passed unanimously.

k) COLEORTON PARISH BOUNDARIES

The petition is still available at The Post Office for signing.

Resolved: that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

l) PITT LANE EASEMENT FEE

The clerk has spoken with officers from LCC who have been in contact with the applicants of planning application 17/01511.

Resolved:- that the clerk make LCC aware of the planning application on the land adjacent to 120 The Moor, 17/01384/OUT, which is also likely to need access from Pitt Lane and that he request a site meeting with LCC.

m) GRIT BOX

The form requesting a Parish Council funded grit box to be located at the bottom of Zion Hill, together with signatures of residents in the immediate locality, is with LCC.

Resolved:- the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

n) BAKEHOUSE

Our solicitor has attempted to contact the donor's solicitors. The donor is seeking advice from a third party on this transaction who has been away.

Resolved:- the report be noted, and the item be retained on the agenda.

o) WORLD WAR ONE - CENTENARY PROJECTS

This has been moved to Wednesday 14th November from 2pm to 3.30 pm at Viscount Beaumont School.

Resolved:- that the report is noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

p) HIGHWAY MATTERS

The clerk had requested whether it was possible to have a speed activated sign located on the A512 between The Moor and the Peggs Green Roundabout but LCC are still not supportive stating the accident history on that stretch and the average speeds. LCC are aware of the fatal accident in January of 2018.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item be retained on the agenda.

q) COLEORTON WOOD

- Mowing: The contractor wants to undertake the work but providing they have a key for accessing all parts of the wood to which they require access.

Resolved:- that the contractor be supplied with a key with effect from 2019 and that the contractor is asked to take a photo of the mowing when completed. And that the item be retained on the agenda.

- Insurance: in response to a query concerning insurance of the work undertaken by the volunteer group, it would be sensible to undertake risk assessments of the work undertaken. It would also be appropriate for the Council to demonstrate that the work is being under its direction and control.

Resolved:- Michael Specht proposed and John Cotterill seconded that the LCC risk assessments for Chainsaw Use, Hand Tools, Hedge Cutter, Hedge Laying, Litter Picking, Strimming and Bush Cutting and Scrub, Tree and Rhododendron management, circulated with the papers for this meeting, be adopted by the Council and that the Council should formally adopt the work plan for Coleorton Wood presented at this and future meetings and that the item be removed from the agenda.

r) COMMUNITY POLICING

The crime prevention evening at The New Inn on 11th September went well with 11 attendees together with the Valley Beat team and the Crime Prevention Champion for the Parish.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and consideration be given to holding another event in spring 2019 and the item retained on the agenda.

s) TREES BEHIND OVERTON CLOSE

These trees are now subject to a Tree Protection Order.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item removed from the agenda.

t) BONFIRES

Some offenders have had a visit from officers from NWLDC and the issue now seems to have been resolved.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item removed from the agenda.

u) BRADFORDS LANE

One sign has been erected but an additional finger posting sign is outstanding.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

v) FORRESTER CLOSE PLAY AREA

The fencing to this play area has been vandalised. There is a meeting on Friday 28th September being attended by the Chair and the Clerk with officers from NWLDC.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications

18/01658/FUL - Extensions to existing garage and conversion to annexe 4 Overton Close, Coleorton

Applications considered between meetings

18/01528/VCU - Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 18/01008/VCU to erect a car port - Birch Cottage, Lower Moor Road, Coleorton

18/01237/REM Erection of four dwellings with associated off-street parking (Reserved matters to outline planning permission 18/00386/VCU - Land at Lower Moor Road Coleorton Leicestershire

Decisions notified

18/00813/FUL - Erection of two-storey dwelling and garage - Land Adjoining The Cottages, Stoney Lane, Coleorton. Granted.

18/01216/VCI - Variation of condition 2 attached to planning permission 17/01599/VCI to incorporate alterations for a proposed garden store to the rear of plots 2's garage - Land Adjacent To Wilford House, Loughborough Road, Coleorton. Granted.

18/01081/FUL - Erection of detached dwelling and alterations to the existing access White Gables, Lower Moor Road, Coleorton. Granted

18/00557/FUL - Demolition of existing joiners workshop and stores and erection of new two storey dwelling Wayside Cottage, Loughborough Road, Coleorton. Granted

TPO 467 - Overton Close. Confirmed.

18/00861/VCU - Variation of condition 3 of planning permission 16/00558/OUT to allow for a revised layout (resiting of dwelling and garage) Land Adjoining The Cottages, Stoney Lane, Coleorton. Granted.

Resolved:- that no comments be made on these applications but that it be noted that the planning permission granted for 18/00557/FUL was in fact for a single story extension.

139/2018 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

The following items were presented for payment:

Colin Smith (Notice Board refurbishment materials)	£173.63
Ian Stone (August ground maintenance)	£150.00
Andrew Hogsden (clerk salary and expenses)	£804.73
HMRC (deductions on clerk salary)	£190.80
The Information Commissioner	£40.00
Coleorton Women's Institute	£150.00
John Macdonald (plague for bench)	£69.20
Coleorton Social Welfare Centre (Apr to Sept)	£110.00

Resolved:- that the payments be approved for payment.

140/2018 INTERNAL AUDITOR

The LRALC Internal Audit Service have been appointed as internal auditors for 2018/19.

Resolved:- the report be noted, and the item removed from the agenda.

141/2018 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2017/18

The clerk reported that the external auditors should complete their external audit report by 30th September, but he had not heard anything yet. They have received the papers.

Resolved:- that the report be noted, and the item retained on the agenda.

142/2018 CORRESPONDENCE

National Highways and Transport Survey

The clerk had circulated a draft response in respect of this for consideration in advance of the meeting which was similar to the prior year but reflected our concerns at the junction of New Road, Loughborough Road and Church Hill.

Resolved:- that the clerk submit the survey and the item be removed from the agenda.

143/2018 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 1st November at 7.30pm

SIGNED BY CHAIR OF COLEORTON PARISH COUNCIL / DATED