

# DEENE & DEENETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018 in Deene Village Hall

Councillors Present	Mark Coombs, Brian Gretton (Chair) John Goodfellow, and Chris Upton
Also Present	County Councillor Heather Smith, 1 member of public and Sue Cook (Clerk)

765. Apologies had been received from Cllr Holding and Cllr Barratt and both were accepted.
766. Cllr Coombs declared a pecuniary interest on all matters relating to Deene Estate's planning and development matters. There is a permanent dispensation in place as per minute item 450.
767. County Councillor Heather Smith was introduced to the meeting by Cllr Gretton. Cllr Smith informed the meeting that although NCC has no money there is funding available from Augean Landfill site at Kings Cliffe for small projects. With the current situation at NCC there may be an impact on Town and Parish Councils having to take on more responsibilities. The proposed two unitary Councils has gone to the Secretary of State, even though CBC voted against it, the next step is for the proposals to go before Parliament. The Call Connect bus service no longer exists in Northamptonshire however Lincolnshire have decided to continue with their service as they go to Stamford and Peterborough. Cllr Smith does not think Deene and Deenethorpe will be affected by any more of the proposed cuts.
768. Cllr Goodfellow reported that there have been no crimes in either Deene and Deenethorpe since the last meeting however Kings Cliffe has had an increase in car crimes. There are currently 26 household in the Neighborhood Watch Report scheme.
769. There were no questions from the public
770. The minutes of the meetings held on 12<sup>th</sup> July and 2<sup>nd</sup> August were approved and signed as a true record.
771. There was no objection to Planning Application 18/01435/LBC to create a Rose Garden at Deene Hall.
772. All outstanding Highways matters have been resolved. Cllr Upton pointed out that some of the surface rainwater drains are blocked along Kirby Lane. The Clerk agreed to contact Sarah Barnwell.
773. The matter of the Action Development Plan will be carried over to the next meeting.
774. There has been a Tresham Garden Village Board Meeting prior to this meeting and it has been agreed that the Master Plan is now ready to go forward for adoption on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Once this has been adopted the Planning Application can be processed.

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775. It was agreed that Cllr Coombs will arrange a meeting with Mike Harris, Cllr Gretton and Cllr Goodfellow prior to any work being carried out on Deenethorpe Village Green.
776. The possibility of using Monkey Survey to ask residents opinions on the Illusive Festival was discussed. With 4 votes to 0 the Councillors agreed not to proceed with it.
777. It was agreed that Nigel Cook should be employed to pick the litter around both Deene and Deenethorpe. The main roads into both villages will take Mr. Cook 4 hours every 2 weeks and Avery Lane, Osier Bed Road and as far as Red Lodge Road 1 hour every 4 weeks. A rate of £9 per hour was agreed. The Parish Council will provide Hi-Vis, bags, picking stick and collapsible Road Side Signs to let motorists know that Litter Picking is taking place. The Waste Management Team at ENC have agreed to collect the bags from Deene Village Hall and the Telephone Box in Deenethorpe. The Clerk will contact the insurance company to have Mr. Cook added as an employee.
778. The Clerk informed the Council that NCC are seeking planning permission to have a permanent width restriction of 2.4 meters, these will not be the usual plastic type but the concrete type used on Motorways, on North Bridge in Oundle with a weight restriction of 3.5 tonne. There is also the possibility of Oundle have a one-way system until the work has been carried out.
779. It was agreed that the Pathfinder II presentation should be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November, starting at 7:00 p.m. followed by the next Parish Council Meeting.
780. Cllr Coombs reported to the meeting that there has been an audit carried out on all the public footpaths around the estate and all need new footpath furniture, stiles or kissing gates. All the existing footpaths will be upgraded over the Autumn. 3 new permissive footpaths are being planned for Deene Park and 2 in Deenethorpe.
781. Finance Matters
- a) The Clerk confirmed that there is currently £14080.77 across both accounts which includes a VAT return of £173.33.
  - b) The following payments were approved in accordance with the relevant legislation
- | Details                            | Value   |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Sue Cook Salary and Expenses       | £372.20 |
| HMRC PAYE on Clerks Salary         | £75.60  |
| Brian Gretton, Chairman's Expenses | £131.44 |
782. The following Correspondence received were all noted:
- a) Extraordinary Council Meeting at ENC
  - b) Replacement Call Connect Bus Service
  - c) JAG Minutes and Newsletter
  - d) Town and Parish Council Briefing
  - e) Local Government Reform Bulletins
  - f) NCALC e-Updates

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783. Matter Arising from previous meetings not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda, for discussion:
- a) The matter of the Compost Site will be carried over to the next meeting.
784. Future agenda items/business for future meetings. The nature of future agenda items can be openly discussed at this point, but no bind decision can be made
- a) The Clerk asked the Councillors to start thinking about the Precept for 2019/20, She will issue next year's budget prior to the agenda. The Clerk will obtain the number of Band D properties and what the current level of precept is for Band D prior to the next meeting.
  - b) Cllr Coombs informed the meeting that planning applications for Barn Conversion at Home Farm and Lodge Farm for small businesses will be submitted to ENC soon.
  - c) Cllr Coombs also stated that there is a possibility of converting the Sea Horse into 2 bedroomed flats now that it has become vacant.
  - d) Cllr Goodfellow commended on the entrance to Deenethorpe looking untidy, it was suggested that perhaps Cllr Goodfellow should draw up a maintenance schedule for the next meeting.
- 785 Date of next meeting: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

With no other business the meeting closed at 8:30 p.m.

<b>Approved by Deene and Deenethorpe Parish Council as an accurate record of decisions made:</b>	
<b>Signature of Chairman:</b>	<b>Date: 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018</b>