

DEENE AND DEENETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th September 2019 in Deene Village Hall

Councillors Present	Stuart Barrett, Mark Coombs, Brian Gretton (Chair), Graham Holding and Chris Upton
Also Present	5 members of the Public, and Sue Cook (Clerk)

- 885 **Apologies had been received** from Cllr Copeland and County Councillor Annabel de Capell Brooke and were accepted. Cllr Barrett apologised for arriving late.
- 886 Cllr Coombs declared a **pecuniary interest** on all matters relating to Deene Estate's planning and development matters.
- 887 County Councillor Annabel de Capell Brooke was unable to attend the meeting.
- 888 The Clerk gave the following **Neighbourhood Watch** report, a dog walker returned to her car to find all 4 tyres had been slashed, no further details are available as to where the vehicle was parked. Mr. Cook has had one of the "Litter Picking" signs stolen from the Deene junction whilst litter picking in Deene, Council agreed that it should be replaced
- 889 Members of the public were concerned about speeding traffic though Deenethorpe and the noise from the Illusive Festival on the Friday night/Saturday morning. Both items to be discussed later in the meeting.
- 890 Cllr Holding proposed that the **minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2019** were approved, with Cllr Coombs seconding the proposal, Cllr Coombs proposed the minutes from the **Planning Meeting held on 19th August 2019** were approved with Cllr Upton seconding the proposal. Cllr Gretton signed both sets of minutes.
- 891 **The following new Planning Applications were discussed**
- a) There were no objections to 19/00706/FUL – Convert and extend existing stables to form new offices at Lodge Farm Buildings Deene
 - b) There were no objections to 19/01283/EXT – Details Pursuant to Conditions 4 and 12 of 19/00084/DPA Priors Hall Zones 2 & 3
 - c) Objections were raised to 19/01219/OUT – development of up to 3500 dwellings 2 local centres and 2 primary schools due to much higher levels of traffic movements along the A43. The Clerk to raise these objections and ask for traffic mediation installed at the entrances to both Deenethorpe and Deene. There is also no protection for the residents of Deenethorpe on noise level. Residents who attended the meeting showed an interest in objecting too.
- Decisions on Planning Applications since 18th July 2019
- d) 19/00682/FUL & 19/00683/FUL – Change of use of North Barn, West Barn and the Old Dairy at Home Farm House – awaiting decision
 - e) 19/01082/FUL – Timber fence to enclose oil tank, shed and kennels at Porter Lodge – awaiting decision
 - f) 19/00846/FUL – Seasonal Wedding Structure at Deene Hall - Withdrawn
 - g) 18/01088/FUL – Erection of a Marquee for weddings at Deene Hall- awaiting decision
- 892 **Defib Training** Cllr Gretton gave the following report from Mr. Goodfellow: Heart Start Defibrillator and CPR training was provided for the villagers, by Heart Start Oundle, on Saturday 10th August in the Village Hall. The team of four trainers carried out a comprehensive training session that was well received by all attendees. 12 people had expressed their intentions of attending the training but on the day, numbers attending were just 5. Clearly for future training we need to oversubscribe.

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Despite this Heart Start provided the full program including preprinted certificates of attendance. In view of this I have requested that the PC considers a donation of £50 to Heart Start Oundle to help with their equipment costs. In terms of the governance for the two defibrillators and their viability on the EMAS records we have fulfilled our obligations in both regular checks of the equipment - around 67 weekly checks for both to date, and in training having had two sessions in 104 weeks. The next session should be due during August 2020. As far as the telephone box is concerned the decorator will be in the area in October and he has said he will paint it for £250 using the paint we have already. I have sourced a bucket-full of free daffodil bulbs that I will be planting around the Notice Board at the appropriate time. Cllr Holding proposed a donation of £50 to Heart Start, Cllr Coombs seconded this proposal. Cllr Barratt proposed that the telephone box is repainted at a cost of £250 Cllr Holding seconded the proposal. The Councillors agreed with both proposals. the Clerk agreed to inform Mr. Goodfellow of the Councils decision.

893 Cllr Coombs informed the meeting that the planning application for **Tresham Garden Village** should be presented to ENC by Christmas.

894 **Illusive Festival Review**– Cllr Coombs presented the Noise Management Summary Report which showed that the noise levels for each night were within the guide lines. It was possible that the noise sounded louder on Friday night/Saturday morning which could have been the wind direction, which changed each day. The Illusive team take every complaint seriously. It is unclear as to how many complaints ENC may have received. There will be a Safety Advisory Group meeting Cllr Gretton hopes to attend to represent the Parish Council. Depending on the outcome of this meeting the focus will turn on what steps the Illusive Team are going to take on the future events.

895 **Finance Matters**

- a) The Clerk confirmed that there is currently £15503.14 across both Bank Accounts, which includes VAT returns of £359.24
- b) It was agreed that the Clerk would provide a balance at each meeting showing the exact payments against budget and that when the precept is set that it is recorded that the budget was agreed showing the various projects to be carried out during that financial year.
- c) Cllr Barrett proposed that the following payments be made in accordance with the relevant legislation with Cllr Coombs seconding the proposal.

Details	Value
Nigel Cook, Litter Picking	£36.00
Nigel Cook, Grass Cutting	£261.00
Sue Cook, Salary plus expenses	£385.70
HMRC, PAYE on Clerks Salary	£81.90
Heart Start Donation	£50.00
Mower Repair, Maintenance of small mower	£109.92

896 **Highways and Village Maintenance**

- a) A request has been received to install speed humps along Avery Hill to stop Speeding Traffic, unfortunately NCC no longer install speed humps. Cllr Gretton will move the VAS to the Village Sign and let the residents have the data from it.
- b) Grass cutting in the Churchyard is continuing. Cllr Coombs agreed to get in touch with Tree Surgeon to meet with himself and Cllr Gretton with reference to pruning the Yew trees. It was also agreed that a tractor and trailer should be made available later in the year to remove debris. The matter of sheep in the Churchyard will be discussed at the next meeting. The Clerk informed the meeting that

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because the verges within Deenethorpe have been cut by residents there will be a refund of £91.55 from Keir.

- c) Cllr Coombs will meet with Cllr Gretton on the Village Green to discuss hedge cutting along the Benefield Road. The Himalayan Balsam has been sprayed. There is a need for some sort of Pigeon Cull to take place. Cllr Holding had a quote of £2500 to do this. It was discussed and the general opinion was this was very expensive and an alternative method be found.
- d) Osier Bed Lane Bridge The red posts will be re-set in the Autumn by the Estate.
- e) Cllr Coombs met Cllrs Gretton and Holding with the reference to the state of the Deenethorpe to Benefield Road. It was agreed to extend the gateways into passing bays. Cllr Coombs to work with Cllr Barrett on this project.
- f) Cllr Coombs is meeting that the Estate Solicitors on Wednesday 18th with view to compiling a case against Persimmon Homes on the unadopted road in Deenethorpe.
- g) Although the Flooding issue in Deene Village seems to have been resolved Cllr Upton still has concerns about one drain that still seems to be partially blocked. Cllr Barrett agreed to resolve this.
- h) Parking issues in Deenethorpe seem to have stopped since the leaflets were delivered to all properties
- i) Dog Fouling in Deenethorpe has improved since the installation of the notices from ENC.

897 The following **Correspondence** received were all noted with no further action required:

- a) Kirby Lane Road repairs – road closures 25th September for 3 days
- b) Weekly Road Work Schemes from Keir – will only be forwarded to the Councillors if proposed works affect the Parishes.
- c) Northamptonshire Health, Care and Wellbeing Plan public survey launch
- d) Tillage Event 4th September
- e) NCALC eUpdates
- f) East Midlands Airport Future Airspace Program

898 There were no Matters Arising from previous meetings not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda, for discussion:

899 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) To adopt the new Financial Regulations.
- b) Budget/Precept for 2020/21
- c) Sheep in churchyard.

900 Due to the change in Cllr Coombs working pattern it was resolved to change the **Dates for the next 3 meetings to Monday 18th November, Monday 13th January and Monday 9th March.**

With no other business the meeting closed at 9:20 p.m.

Approved by Deene and Deenethorpe Parish Council as an accurate record of decisions made:	
Signature of Chairman:	Date: 18th November 2019