

LITTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting
held on 18th June 2018 at 7.30pm at Litton Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllr N Gregory in the Chair
Cllrs R Rennie, K Oscroft, G Rooke

IN ATTENDANCE: G Turner, Clerk

1955 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor McMillan – work commitments

1956 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared for agenda items.

1957 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were 2 members of the public present at the meeting.

Mrs C Hoban and her Agent spoke regarding planning application NP/DDD/0418/0361 Land at Litton Dale.

1958 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING AND FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21ST MAY 2018

RESOLVED: That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes as being a true and correct record.

1959 ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

- 1847 Memorial Playing Field (MPF) – Councillor Gregory has yet to liaise with the Handyperson regarding fixing the sign onto a low stake just inside the MPF.
- 1895 Licence to erect a post and rail fence at the playground from DDDC – defer to July Agenda.
- 1922 It was reported that Friends of Litton were willing to pay the additional £50 delivery charge for Litton's Christmas tree to be delivered in time for the School's Christmas Fair.
- 1930 Clerk's remuneration - This item to be deferred to the July agenda.

-1935 Investigation into ownership of retaining Wall opposite Lower Wood, Cressbrook
- This item to be deferred to the July agenda.

-1938 It was noted that the organisers of Action Challenge UK are still considering the MPF for their event and will be in touch later in the year to arrange a meeting with Councillors.

-1947 An email was circulated to members relating to the Sunnybank land swap.

RESOLVED: That Councillors Gregory and Oscroft will arrange to meet with Neil & Kerry Burrows.

Playground land transfer - This item to be deferred to the July agenda.

-1948 It was noted that the firm contracted to undertake the resurfacing of the cemetery driveway had still not contacted the Council with a start date.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will chase the contractors to get a start date.

-1953 Councillor Rennie reported that she had created a Litton Parish Council Facebook page, in order that the Council can more effectively communicate with residents, particularly those in Litton Mill and Cressbrook.

RESOLVED: That the Facebook page should be made public and Councillors and the Clerk should be made administrators of the page.

-1954 An email detailing the siting of the two memorial benches in Litton Mill was circulated to members.

RESOLVED: That the siting of the benches is approved.

1960 APPLICATION FOR A GATE IN THE CORNER OF THE VILLAGE GREEN AT LITTON MILL

An application for a gate to be placed in the wall in the corner of the Village Green at Litton Mill was circulated to members.

RESOLVED: To support the application in principle, however the Council will seek advice on the best way to proceed.

1961 LITTON VILLAGE GREEN CROSS

It was noted that a number of residents had raised concerns over the safety of the Market Cross on Litton Village Green.

RESOLVED: That the Council will obtain quotes for its repair.

1962 TREE MAINTENANCE

Councillor Gregory outlined the tree work he had identified as a priority for Phase 3 of

the tree maintenance programme:

- (1) The removal of the large Sycamore tree in front of Rose Cottages, to enable the smaller tree underneath to thrive;
- (2) A crown lift on the Lime tree on Hall Lane corner, as the lower branches are blocking the footpath and visibility for cars turning onto the main road is impaired;
- (3) Removal of the small tree underneath the Lime tree on Hall Lane corner; and
- (4) Removing the Sycamore tree in front of the shop which is leaning considerably to one side.

IT WAS AGREED: That Phase 3 of the tree maintenance programme is approved and Councillor Gregory contact N&G Tomlinson to obtain a quote.

1963 HANDY PERSON'S QUARTERLY REPORT

The handy person's quarterly report was circulated to members.

Following discussion on the tasks identified in the report **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT:**

- (a) Cressbrook War Memorial does not belong to the Council and investigations are ongoing as to its ownership.
- (b) The Council is aware of the repairs needed to the retaining Wall opposite Lower Wood, Cressbrook and is currently establishing ownership (see Minute 1935 above).
- (c) The Council will monitor the depth of the play chip surfacing at the playground.

1964 GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS

A draft Subject Access Request Policy and Data Request Form were circulated to members.

RESOLVED: That the documents are approved.

1965 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Application Number NP/DDD/0418/0361 Land at Litton Dale

Demolition of existing building on site and erection of a new open market dwelling and associated works

The above planning application was circulated to members for consideration.

RESOLVED: That the Council supports the application however it will query the need for the property to be open market.

Planning application NP/DDD/0518/0403 Stone Pitts Work

Change of use of site from industrial to residential, demolition of existing industrial barn, erection of new dwelling, erection of garage and erection of annexe.

The above planning application was circulated to members for consideration.

RESOLVED: That the Council supports the application.

Planning Application Number NP/DDD/0518/0458 Lytton Edge Farm, Mires Lane Litton

House extensions, internal modifications, replacement roof structure and landscape work

The above planning application was circulated to members for consideration.

RESOLVED: That whilst the Council has no objection to the proposed extension it cannot support the application as there is no lawful vehicular access across the registered Village Green.

1966 FINANCE (SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS ATTACHED)

The Clerk submitted accounts for which cheques numbered 1586 to 1589 in the sum of £2,734.69 had been drawn.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That the cheques be signed and the accounts to which they relate be paid.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.40pm.