

SOUTH WITHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th Sept 2016 at 7.30pm

Present 15-266 Cllr C Fowler (Chair), Cllr S Lansdowne, Cllr F Parish, Cllr C Hodgkin, Cllr C v Straubenzee, Cllr J Oldfield, Cllr M Kinning, Cllr K Jolley, Cllr A White, LCCllr/ SKDCllr R Adams, Mrs H Sandon (parish clerk), 5 residents.

Apologies for Absence 15-267 Cllr C Ashton (Vice Chair), Cllr A Smith

Public Forum 15-268 A resident expressed his disappointment that Breedon Aggregates did not come and hold a Public meeting with villagers to discuss its planning application, see item 15-172 for Breedon update. Two High St residents attended to complain about motorists speeding on High St and the resulting damage; properties' walls crumbling, damage to footpaths, dust pollution. They had been in touch with LRSP, the Police and also LCC to discuss traffic calming and received a favourable response and wanted SWPC backing for them to pursue this further. Cllr Parish outlined what had been done in conjunction with LCC in the past, as this is an ongoing problem. SWPC agreed to support the residents by looking into the various traffic calming methods again. Mick Chapman attended to discuss briefly his proposal to continue with the VH Wi fi project (see agenda item 15-274 ii). He also stated that the SW website is still no. 1 on Google, Yahoo etc... and is soon to be refreshed, as the moderation team will be updating all information held. Mick is also in the process, along with other members of the community, of possibly setting up a regular youth club, There was a recent drop-in evening to find out what the youth of the village were looking for and 30 children attended, he will keep us updated on this.

Receive Declaration of Interests 15-269 Cllr Fowler – Planning Matters a) S16/1629 Oliver and Sarah Player, 23 Wellfield Close, erection of single storey extension to rear of dwelling. Cllr van Straubenzee – Planning Matters granted / refused i) S16/1246 c) Mr & Mrs van Straubenzee, Tanyard House, 13 Church Lane - SKDC approval of details reserved by condition, discharge of conditions 3 (materials samples), 4 (sample panel) of planning approval S15/2400

Report from LCCllr Bob Adams 15-270 LCCllr Adams discussed the £100 million designer outlet village proposed for Grantham which is expected to attract 3.5 million customers per yr. There will be a public consultation on the plans this month, starting with a drop-in consultation where the public can see the plans and make their comments. This will be held at ChristChurch in Finkin Street on 16/9/16, from noon to 8pm, and on 17/9/16 from 10am to 4pm. A planning application could be submitted by November. If it is approved, construction could start in 2018 and stage one opened in 2020. The construction of the new cinema in Grantham is also soon to commence.

Notes of SWPC's monthly meeting held on the 5th Jul 2016 15-271 The notes of the meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the Chair in acceptance as minutes.

Update on Breedon Aggregates Planning application (PL/0074/16 (S68 /16) - Proposed Eastern and Western Extensions to South Witham Quarry, the completion of operations in the existing quarry together with the relinquishment of the permitted area to the north of Mill Lane granted under a historic Interim Development Order 15-272

SWPC had asked LCC for an extension to the deadline date for comments to 30/9/16, however LCC would only extend the date to 11/8/16, this unfortunately gave SWPC insufficient time to hold a Public meeting. LCC also stated that as Breedon had already held a pre application event to present/ consult with the village and Public notices, Site notices and notification letters had been issued, they had met requirements. The SWPC working committee therefore considered the application and the views of residents received and sent its response to LCC objecting to the application. (The full response can be obtained by contacting the clerk or by viewing on the LCC website along with other residents' /authorities' responses). Cllr Jolley agreed to attend the meeting when this application is brought before the Planning Committee. Rutland County Council as a neighbouring authority had submitted - no objections to raise, but did say it recommends that SWPC's comments are given due consideration.

Financial Matters 15-273

a) Monthly Accounts SWPC total bank balance £15866.32, BMM £15593.74, Play project £272.58. Payments; chqs issued Aug/ Sept; 1) Mr Morley (vh pathway cut) £60, 2) Mr Cunningham (bus shelter clean), £20.3) Helen Sandon (parish clerk pay/expenses) £473.13), 4) Janine Costello (litter picking) £210.00, 5) Clare Fowler (refund for paying VH painting invoice- Rory McGregor £567.00), 6) Tracy Stafford (5 cuts at cemetery x £60, plus £10 weed spray) £310.00, 7) Playsafety Ltd (annual Rospa) £168.00, 8) Fran Parish (refund for youth cricket purchases) £56.31, 9) Rick Webster Vh rec grass cut – June/ July x 4 cuts £249.60 & 10) Aug cuts x 2 £124.80, 11) Jim Oldfield (refund for concrete purchased for skatepark bench) £34.16, 12) Ainscough Alarms (alarm repair) £112.80.

Letter of thanks received from the Witham Word Treasurer for £300.00 grant.

Clerk's and Councillors' reports on ; 15-274

i) Road Safety Matters, Cllr Parish The site survey had been completed and the locations agreed for the 30 mph passive signs. Signs to go up on the High St, Moor Lane, Great Close, North Witham Rd and Thistleton Lane. Cllr

Oldfield to assist the other residents who had agreed to put the signs up. 30 mph stickers to attach to wheelie bins to publicise the road speed are also been considered by SWPC.

ii) Wi fi Project - consider email from Mr Chapman SWPC discussed the proposal put forward by Mr Chapman to seek external funding to continue with VH Wi fi at no cost to SWPC. SWPC agreed in principle as long as Mr Chapman gets VHMC approval also and agrees storage/ access requirements with them. Clerk to inform Mr Chapman. Clerk to also cancel BT Wi fi and phone contracts as at 30/9/16, to stop BT Wi fi continuing into Yr 2.

iii) Church Lane/ High St flash flooding update, Cllr Jolley Anglian Water response received re. assessment of assets and recent works undertaken at this location had been circulated to cllrs, this states that all is now working at 100% capacity. Cllr Jolley said that it is still not adequate as further recent flooding had occurred. He will further respond. Cllr Parish to pass info she has on gully / diverted water to Cllr Jolley.

iv) Rospa Annual Inspection report / monthly play area inspection, Cllr Oldfield, Cllr Oldfield had recently concreted under the skatepark bench to stop water collecting, £34.16 expenses incurred, clerk to refund.

Main Rospa areas highlighted; sign for basketball post- to look into with Cllr Ashton's assistance, football goals to be secured, Cllr White/ Cllr Oldfield to meet and lock down, some shrinkage to play area wetpour – to monitor.

Planning Matters 15-275

a) New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment;

i) S16/1629 Oliver & Sarah Player, 23 Wellfield Close, erection of two storey side and single storey rear extensions following removal of existing conservatory- no objections from SWPC

ii) S16/1604 Mr Len Batey, 9 Harrington Rd, erection of single storey extension to rear of dwelling- no objections from SWPC and update - permission granted by SKDC (5/9/16)

b) New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment after publication of the agenda none

c) SKDC planning permissions granted/refused

i) S16/1246 Mr & Mrs van Straubenzee, Tanyard House, 13 Church Lane - SKDC approval of details reserved by condition, discharge of conditions 3 (materials samples), 4 (sample panel) of planning approval S15/2400

ii) S16/1250 Gillian Shenton, 17 Harold Rd - SKDC confirmation of compliance with conditions on a planning permission, conditions 2 (surface water drainage), 3 (estate roads), 4 (estate roads), 5 (remediation scheme) and 6 (boundary treatment) of S06/0781

Bullimores Letter re. Thistleton Lane / High Street junction 15-276

Letter received re. incident at this junction and possibility of a mirror opposite the junction to assist with visibility. Clerk had contacted LCC Highways re. this request, it had responded stating that mirrors are rarely used as they can give a false image of approaching traffic and distort the size and speed of approaching vehicles, they also need Dept for Transport approval, which is rarely given. It also said that there is a stop line at this junction due to the limited visibility and therefore it is the responsibility of the driver to ensure the road is clear of traffic before proceeding. Clerk to forward response to Bullimores.

Village entrances - verges and hedgerows 15-277 The recent weather has accelerated the growth of hedges / verges. Clerk to a) write to Buckminster re. its hedges for all land in SW, but in particular on Church Lane/ Broadgate Rd and on the North Witham Rd (by sewage works) , b) to contact LCC/ SKDC regarding its responsibilities, including verges on Church Lane and 30 mph signage being hidden on the North Witham Rd (to check all signage on approaches) c) to contact UWIDB re. vegetation in Dyke and d) to contact a resident re.complaint received of protruding brambles to pathway/ hedging obstructing motorists' visibility.

Fishpool Dyke 15-278 Clerk asked to contact SKDC Conservation Office to ask what is acceptable in terms of roadside barriers in a Conservation Area. Residents had been asked to trim overhanging trees.

Police Matters 15-279 Police NPT meeting is being held in South Witham VH on the 19th October at 6.30pm, all residents welcome.

Correspondence 15-280

Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral review of Lincolnshire, final recommendations, copy of MSP request received by Colsterworth for environmental impact assessment screening and scoping opinion on land east of Crabtree Rd and West of Skillington Rd, (for info only for SWitham in view of recent Breedon planning matter), LALC news, C & C Direct.

Any other business 15-281 Cllr White reminded to chase up re.possibility of a sign on private land on Thistleton Lane to advise HGVs not to proceed to bridge/ village re. weight/ height restrictions.

Cllr Oldfield had judged the sunflower competition, the winner's sunflower being 2.93 mtrs. He will publish the allotment competition criteria and arrange for trophies to be engraved for all winners.

Cllr Fowler to chase up missing signage on Broadgate Rd with Mr Brumfield at LCC.

Appointment of third member 15-282 Cllr Smith

Date of next meeting 15-283 Tues 4th Oct at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.55pm