

Little Melton Parish Council

MINUTES

Mon 16/01/2016 - 19:30, at the Village Hall

Attendance

PC members							County Councillor	District Councillors	
Chair	Vice Chair								
John Heaser	Russell Cole	vacant	Ricky Wallsworth	Jan Edye	Sheila Lewis-Smith	Steve Sophocleous	David Bills	Adrian Dearnley	Phil Hardy
JH	RC		RW	JE	SLS	SS	DB	AD	PH
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1. To consider apologies for absence
 - a. *as above*
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda by Parish Councillors
 - a. *none*
3. To confirm the [minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28/11/2022](#)
 - a. *Proposed SS - seconded JE*
4. Public Participation - To consider a motion to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public and the District/County Councillors an opportunity to inform the meeting
 - a. *AD for SNC -*
 - i. *Budget consultations are close to reaching an agreement*
 - ii. *LMPC may ask for a contribution to tennis court resurfacing*
 - iii. *SNC have designated a site where a new Doctors' Surgery can be built and looking at how it can be funded. LMPC have asked who is responsible for managing demand for services during the period (maybe 3 years) whilst the new surgery is planned, built and staffed. How are the current resource problems being measured and assessed? What future forecasts are being made and by whom?*
5. Planning
 - a. Parish Council Recommendation
 - i. [Local Plan](#) - publication of VCHAP and new site at Elm Farm proposed for 35 houses between 2028 and 2038
 1. *The PC believes that this site is more suitable than the sites previously preferred by SNC as it outside the Landscape Protection zone and won't set a dangerous precedent. It is also closer to the village facilities and won't generate additional car traffic within the village. The provision of off road parking for school drop off is to be welcomed. However, the PC is very disappointed that we were not informed that the site was being considered. The PC went to significant lengths to inform parishioners about the process and it is regrettable that the PC and others learnt about the new site via the EDP.*
 - ii. [2021/0029](#) - 6 houses north of SL, previously rejected by SNC - awaiting appeal verdict - applicant has contended that there is not a 5 year housing supply
 - iii. [2022/1086](#) - Laburnum Cottage, Green Lane - Outline planning permission for new dwelling and garage re-using existing access - *no comment*
 - iv. Colney development - <https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/housing/colney-hall-care-village-homes-uea-research-park-9195880>
 - v. [2022/1422](#) - Conversion of existing cattle outbuildings to 8 residential dwellings | Church Farm Market Lane Great Melton - Highways and Planning officer have suggested a reduction in scale
 - vi. [2022/2285](#) - 23 School Lane : Single storey rear extension and front porch - *No comment*
 - b. Decisions
 - i. [2022/1870](#) - 55 School Lane - single storey rear and side extension with internal remodelling - *approved*
 - ii. [2022/1724](#) - LM Business Park - change of use of Car Park to Self-Store Container Site - *approved with conditions*

6. Parish Facilities—
 - a. Playing field, Village hall, Tennis court resurfacing - [see list](#)
 - i. *SS is requesting alternative quotes to CGM*
 - ii. *SS investigating hire of cherry picker to facilitate window repair*
 - b. Skate ramp - sound deadening - Street artist - broken screws
 - c. New [retail](#) on Little Melton Rd, Doctor's surgery - comments submitted about bike and E charging
 - d. Third signatory on Bank Accounts - communication with Barclays
 - e. Car park - extension? Soak away relocation.
 - f. Bike marking event - PC Stuart Barnard is booked for 04/02 10:00 to 11:00 - publicity
 - g. Application to [Orsted Community Benefit Fund](#) - solar panels on VH? MB to attend meeting with Orsted.
 - h. Sale of village shop - oil buying group to reduce HGV traffic
 - i. Grounds maintenance contract 2023, hedge planting and cutting
7. Highways –
 - a. NCC Highways requests
 - i. 20mph zone on SL - Highways have been asked to proceed but without buildouts, VAS changes
 - ii. Provision of westbound lorry route signage on A47 - proper mapping of restricted zones for Sat Navs
 1. *DB is requesting improvements to signage. NCC have been asked about process for communicating map updates*
 - iii. [Rangers & Highways requests](#)
 - iv. Reinstatement of grass around the Village sign - waiting for info from Highways
 - v. [Possible site for Church car parking](#)
 - b. Village Hall road - ownership and maintenance - Saffron are taking legal advice -
 - i. More holes after December ice damage
 - c. Cycle path on Hethersett Lane
 - d. Little Melton Rd closure extended to 24/02/2023
8. Correspondence received since the last meeting
9. Financial
 - a. Agree the [Precept](#) for 2023
 - i. *10p reduction in Group D payment due to one house increase in tax base. Proposed RW, seconded JE*
10. Legal matters
11. Next PC meeting - AGM after elections - 16/05/2023 - Village Hall
12. Parish Meeting - 28/03/2023 - 19:30 - Village Hall - PC Stuart Barnard to attend

Signed *J.D.Heaser* (Chair) Date 06/05/2023