



Colwick Parish Council

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Minutes of the full council meeting of Colwick Parish Council, held remotely using the online zoom app, at 7:00pm on Monday 15th February 2021

Present: Cllrs Alison Nunn (Chair), Meredith Lawrence (Vice-Chair), Cllr Scott Handley and Cllr Femi Ogundipe

14. Apologies for absence: Cllr Janene Davis, Cllr Nicki Brooks (Nottinghamshire County Council Councillor).

15. Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on Monday 18th January 2021:

Spelling error item 12, Cllr Lawrence Meredith, otherwise they were approved as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Lawrence and seconded by Cllr Nunn.

16. Updates from previous minutes:

- The electrician started work today on replacing the lighting in the community centre.
- Cllr Nunn has purchased two new fridges.
- Precept has been issued to Gedling Borough Council. Wet signatures are required on Form 'C'.

17. Declarations of interest specific to this agenda:

Cllr Lawrence declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of Gedling Borough Council's planning committee and therefore would not comment on planning application consultation discussions.

18. Observations from Borough and County Councillors and Colwick Electors:

Report from Cllr Lawrence:

Since the last parish council meeting on 18 January 2021, I have attended the following meetings:

19 January – Councillors' meeting with Jenny Eurge (Microsoft Teams)

22 January – Planning Delegation Panel (Microsoft Teams)

27 January – Full Council (Microsoft Teams)

– Three significant resolutions were resolved

1. Fireworks – including “Write to the UK Government and Gedling Borough’s two local Members of Parliament urging them to introduce legislation to limit the maximum noise level of fireworks to 90dB for those sold to the public for private displays and to support the RSPCA in their campaign to ensure the safety of all animals.”

2. Bees – including “Write to the Environment Secretary and Gedling Borough’s local Members of Parliament, condemning the UK Government’s recent authorisation in England of the use of a pesticide containing the neonicotinoid thiamethoxam, despite an EU-wide ban on its outdoor use two years ago and an explicit Government pledge to keep the restrictions.”

3. Local Government Finance Settlement for 2021/22 – noting that for the second successive year the council is the worst affected council in terms of change in Core Spending Power from 2015/16 to 2021/22, it was agreed that a letter signed by all members of the council be sent “calling on the Government to increase Gedling Borough Council’s share of the Local Government Finance Settlement 2023/22.”

29 January – Planning Delegation Panel (Microsoft Teams)

– 2020/0710 81 Crosslands Meadow, first floor front extension, two storey rear extension and loft conversion – permission granted subject to conditions

5 February – Planning Delegation Panel (Microsoft Teams)

9 February – Netherfield and Colwick councillors’ meeting with Jenny Eurge, Netherfield Locality Co-ordinator – due to a technical reason I was unable to connect, but had a debrief with Jenny later. She stated that she had had a meeting with Network Rail (NR) regarding the graffiti on Chaworth Road bridge, which I had reported to NR on 12 December. NR are planning to involve the community in designing a mural to replace the graffiti.

12 January – Planning Delegation Panel (Microsoft Teams)

I have throughout responded to casework (there have been no major issues on the Colwick Village and The Colwick Village Noticeboard Facebook pages).

Major issues outside of the parish boundary but within the Ward

1. Chris Allsop Industrial Park, Private Road No. 2, Colwick Industrial Estate, Colwick, Nottinghamshire NG4 2JR – unauthorised concrete batching plant. Whilst outside of the parish boundary, it does of course affect residents over the boundary on the Riverview Estate. No retrospective planning application has yet been received by GBC, who are still assessing enforcement action.

2. Enva Ltd, Enviro Building, Private Road No 4, Colwick Industrial Estate, Colwick, Nottinghamshire NG4 2JT – retrospective planning application to the county council, mainly storage – this should not affect the parish.

Cllr Meredith Lawrence, Colwick Ward, Gedling Borough Council.

Report from County Councillor Nicki Brooks (Nottinghamshire County Council):

I have received a large number of emails and letters from residents close to the industrial park about the cement making plant that is being installed and has not got planning permission. This is a matter for Gedling Borough Council so I have responded advising residents as such but assuring them that when a planning application is made I will be putting in an objection on their behalf. My understanding is that GBC have advised the owner that a retrospective planning application was to be made before the end of January. When this was not forthcoming the owners were given an extension, I have complained to the Leader of GBC about this. I have been informed by Gedling BC that their Public Protection Team are currently investigating environmental implications that need to be immediately resolved outside of the planning process.

I continue to receive complaints about the parking situation on Mile End Road and surrounds. I have had lengthy communications with Mike Hill the Gedling Chief Exec asking for more action on this. I understand that GBC are currently in discussion with Highways about putting some temporary bollards in place.

GBC have produced some cards which Wardens will be leaving under car window screen wipers on cars that are parking inconsiderably in the area. They ask drivers to consider how they are parking and how it will impact on the residents of the area when they visit the park in Colwick. They have also included a telephone number should any drivers wish to contact GBC to discuss it. It is an informal approach but they have, apparently, had some success with similar schemes elsewhere.

I have also assisted residents with issues regarding nuisance neighbours and manhole cover repairs.

The Notts CC budget meeting will take place on 25 February.

19. Correspondence including emails:

The Parish have received several emails from concerned residents regarding the Cement manufacturing plant being installed at Chris Allsop's business premises off Mile End Road without planning permission. The Clerk has responded to the resident's explaining that Gedling Borough Council are dealing with the situation. The Public Protection department at Gedling Borough Council are investigating the environmental issues. Gedling Borough Council have requested the retrospective planning application by 1st March.

Email received from Talk Talk with discount offer for rolling broadband, usually £27 a month but discount offer £18 a month. Cllr Nunn accepted the new contract for the discounted rate.

Email received re: warranty on Clerk's laptop, existing monthly charge £9.90 but this has now been discounted to £7.40 a month for the next year.

20. Planning:

2020/0835 18 Ramblers Close – erection of dwelling and detached garage. Anyone wishing to comment please visit Gedling Borough Council planning webpage.
Agenda.

21. Finance. Payments to be approved/noted:

Finance:

To be noted:

Paid from bank, Jan 2021

19th Jan Talk Talk £38.14
22nd Jan PC World New Fridges £199.96
25th Jan Total Gas & Power (Gas) £155.63
29th Jan Total Wages £1702.30
29th Jan PAYE £193.40
10th Feb Water Plus £56.60

Invoices received and payment yet to be taken from Bank

3rd Feb Total Gas & Power (Gas) £434.14
7th Feb Total Gas & Power (Elec) £154.73
12th Feb Sage Payroll & accounts £17.04
3rd Feb Talk Talk Broadband & phone £41.50
3rd Feb GBC Waste collection £176.15

Payments to be authorised:

NALC Annual subscription £446.19
Shredall £96.00 £80 + VAT
Alison Nunn Amazon
D Margeson waterproof trousers (2) £24.00
Ink cartridges for office printer £29.65 Total £53.65.

Finance approved Cllr Lawrence seconded by Cllr Handley

22. Main Business:

- a) The Netherfield and Colwick Strategic Plan – Cllr's Nunn and Lawrence attended a meeting with Jenny Eurge, the Netherfield Localities co-ordinator at Gedling Borough Council . Jenny Eurge will be working on a work programme specific to Colwick and will organise a workshop for Colwick residents to attend after lockdown, this will be an opportunity for all residents to input into the project planning.
- b) Updating Parish policies and procedures. This will be discussed at March meeting when Councillors have had an opportunity to review the documents. They would normally be reviewed annually in January however this will be delayed until March.
- c) Staff Contracts and updating Absence and Sickness Policy. The Clerk is liaising with Chris Moses, a specialist in employment law. Chris will review existing contracts and policy and then submit a quote for updating.
- d) Colwick Parish Logo. Cllr Nunn sent out a Facebook post to the community asking if anyone would like to design a logo, unfortunately no response has been received. Cllr Lawrence will speak to Carlton Le Willows Secondary School to enquire whether there are any students who may wish to design the logo.

23. Community Centre Update:

We have received two written quotes for redecorating the small hall, entrance and toilets. One £2650 and another £4700. We are awaiting a 3rd quote, if this is lower than £2650 then we should agree with this quote. Practical to push ahead with this very soon whilst community centre is still closed.

Hedge Removal on boundary of community centre and 229 Vale Road – We are struggling to get quotes for this work, however we still need to remove the hedge and replace with a fence as previously agreed.

24. Ongoing Matters:

None

25. Any other items the Chairman considers urgent:

Cllr Lawrence has been informed by Jenny Eurge that they wish to run Netherfield and Colwick newsletter this March, therefore Jenny has asked the parish for the contributions. This has previously been agreed therefore payment will need to be made to Jenny.

Trees on church land – Cllr Lawrence has asked Rev Digman whether the church has any intention of maintaining or removing the trees adjacent to Vale Road. Rev Digman has not made a decision on this as yet. Cllr Lawrence offered to assist with the cost using his Gedling Borough Council community fund.

26. Date and time of next meeting:

Monday 15th March 2021, 7pm on the Zoom app unless restrictions allow face to face meeting, if so the meeting will be in the small hall in the Community Centre.

(The Chair closed the meeting at 7:45pm)