

Carlton in Lindrick Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Civic Centre, Long Lane, Carlton in Lindrick, Worksop, S81 9AP on Tuesday 12th January 2016.

Present: Councillor C. Smith (Chairman) Councillors, T. Banks, V. Bowles, K. Broad, C. Connolly, R. Dyas-Elliott, S. Jackson, P. Nicholson and A. Williams.

Peter Goulding (Parish Clerk), County Councillor A. Rhodes and District Councillor Carrington-Wilde were in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L. Billau, B. Bowles, W. Murdoch and S. Scotthorne.

Prior to commencement of Council's official business, the Chairman announced that in accordance with the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations, audio/visual recording and photography at Council meetings is permitted in accordance with the Council's protocol "Filming of Public Meetings".

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL MILLS

The Chairman and all those present were saddened at the recent news of the untimely death of their friend and colleague, Councillor Michael Mills. The Chairman spoke of his fond memories of Michael over many years and reference was made to Michael's valued contribution to the local community both as a Parish Councillor and in respect of other community organisations.

A period of silence was observed in Michael's memory and the Council expressed its sincere condolences for Michael's wife and family.

CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL – BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

Peter Goulding was congratulated by the Chairman and all those present on the recent news that he was to be awarded the British Empire Medal in H.M The Queens New Year's Honours List for 2016.

The award as Long Serving Clerk to the Carlton in Lindrick Parish Council is in recognition of his services to the Nottinghamshire Community.

Peter acknowledged the very kind comments that were made and thanked the Council for its continued support which he felt had contributed towards the recognition.

65. POLICE/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members received statistical information on recent police activity within the Parish.

66. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

67. MINUTES

a) District Councillor Carrington Wilde agreed to refer the Health Department to alleged safety concerns at the Firbeck Colliery Site

b) County Councillor Rhodes indicated that a letter had gone to the Low Street resident about his inconsiderate parking but that no further action could be taken without yellow line restrictions

c) the Clerk will ask the Police to contact Councillor Jackson about the obstructive lorry parking at Rotherham Baulk.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th December 2015 be approved.

68. NOTTS COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES

County Councillor Rhodes highlighted his further concerns at severe budget reductions for County Council Services. Consultations are now taking place on the proposals which demonstrate that the County will be £30 million worse off than was first envisaged.

Councillor Rhodes agreed to investigate action on the following:-

- a) Further inspection of footpath at Rotherham Baulk
- b) Pavement surfacing at Greenway
- c) Hedge obstruction at Greenway
- d) Bus shelter repairs.

69. BASSETLAW DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES

i) Big Local - Councillor Nicholson agreed to ask for more publicity to be given to Big Local activities at various points in Carlton.

ii) Devolution Proposals

Councillor Wilde reported on the 2 main proposals being considered for devolution powers affecting the Bassetlaw Area. A recommended outcome is the subject of diverse views at the current time.

70. FINANCIAL ISSUES

1) Grant Application – Carlton News

A letter has been received from the Carlton News Chairman seeking the Council's continued support in the sum of £600 towards the cost of supporting the publication. The Clerk reported that the support would be enhanced through finance from the grant made available for the Neighbourhood Plan use of The Carlton News encouraged a good response from the local community and in total, the Carlton News will receive the sum of £1,000.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and approved and the payment to Carlton News be authorised.

2) Cheques Issued

RESOLVED that the list of cheques issued be noted and approved.

3) Payment of Invoices

The Clerk submitted a report on Statutory Instrument (No580) titled – The Legislative Reform (Payments by Parish Councils and Charter Trustees) Order 2015. The Instrument removes the requirement that all invoices be paid by cheque and signed by 2 Councillors and now allows Councils to arrange for electronic payment of invoices i.e. by direct debit or through online banking arrangements. The report provides for such payments and processes to be reported at each meeting of the Parish Council and the described process is supported by the Council's Internal Auditor.

RESOLVED that

- 1) the Council approve the revised process for payment of invoices
- 2) appropriate amendments to the Council's Financial Regulations be made in May 2016
- 3) the new arrangement be implemented on the 1st April 2016,

71. PLANNING

1) Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Val Bowles (Chairman, Steering Group) updated members on progress. A presentation had been received on proposals for the Blyth Road Commercial and Housing Development on “Peppers Land” and members of the Steering Group are to be invited to the site for more detailed proposals to be viewed. Draft reports have been produced by Luke Brown (Consultant) and a Housing Needs Assessment has been circulated. An open day demonstrating progress and seeking further views from the Community is to be arranged at the Civic Centre on the 28th January 2016.

2) Planning Applications

a) 15/01681/FUL – Land East of Corn Mill Farm

b) 15/01625/FUL – Wright Engineering, Red Lane

RESOLVED that no objections be made to the proposals