

COTON-IN-THE-ELMS PARISH COUNCIL

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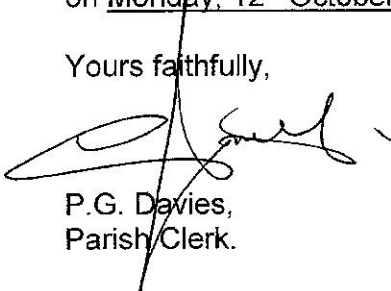
Date: 5th October 2015

Dear Councillor,

Parish Council Meeting

You are requested to attend a Parish Council Meeting in the Community Centre, Coton-in-the-Elms, on Monday, 12th October 2015, at 7.30 p.m.

Yours faithfully,



P.G. Davies,
Parish Clerk.

To: The Chairman and Members of the Parish Council

AGENDA

1. Apologies

2. Minutes

To approve, as a correct record, the attached Minutes of the meeting held on 14th September 2015.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

4. Payments

Payee	Item	Amount [£]
PG Davies	Postage	1.68
Community Centre	Hire of Room – Parish Council	18.00
Trent Creative	Printing – VAT £6.97	41.81

5. Correspondence

6. Report Back on Outside Bodies

Members are requested to report back on any meetings they have attended on behalf of the Parish Council since the last meeting.

7. Planter

To consider the attached letter and enclosures.

8. Report of District Councillors

9. Report of County Councillor

10. Finance Report

To consider the attached report of the Clerk.

11. Public Session

The Chairman will adjourn the meeting to allow any members of the public present to speak.

12. Planning Applications

13. Any other business

14. Date of Next Meeting

The Parish Council has previously agreed that the next meeting will be held on 23rd November 2015, at 7.30 p.m.

COTON-IN-THE-ELMS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on 14th September 2015, at the Community Centre, Coton-in-the-Elms.

Present

Councillors Mrs K Bradford [Chairman], M Kinson, A Lees, A Leese and MJ Mason.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs C Bradford and Mrs S Campion, District Councillor P Murray and County Councillor Mrs C Lauro.

District Councillor Mrs E Hall was also in attendance.

Mr PG Davies, the Parish Clerk, was also present.

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2015, be approved and signed as a correct record.

2. PAYMENTS

RESOLVED

That the payments included on the Agenda, together with the following additional payments, be authorised:-

		£
Mr PG Davies	➤ Stationery reimbursement [VAT £3.25]	30.70
Mr PG Davies	➤ Postage reimbursement	2.85
Mr PG Davies	➤ Postage reimbursement	6.84
Trelawn Services	➤ Village Maintenance – June, July, August and brook maintenance [VAT £222.53]	1,335.15
Trent Creative	➤ Printing [VAT £4.18]	25.08
PJ Neville	➤ Memorial Stone [VAT £103.80]	622.80
<u>East Midlands in Bloom Account</u> Chapmans Nurseries	➤ Baskets and bedding plants [VAT £276.00]	1,656.00

3. PLANTING OF TREES - VILLAGE GREEN

The Clerk reported that the six rowan trees would be planted in October in readiness for the unveiling ceremony on 3rd November 2015. The memorial stone had been ordered from PJ Neville of Lichfield incorporating the wording previously agreed by the Parish Council.

The Parish Council noted that the Chairman of the District Council had accepted the invitation

to attend the unveiling ceremony.

Councillor A Leese kindly agreed to provide teas and coffees immediately after the ceremony.

RESOLVED

1. That the action taken be approved and confirmed.
2. That the Parish Council, at its next meeting, consider inviting a member of the clergy to attend the ceremony to formally dedicate the memorial.

4. OVERGROWN BUSH – 14 ELMS ROAD

The Clerk updated the Parish Council with information provided by County Councillor Lauro.

RESOLVED

That further consideration of this matter be deferred to the next meeting.

5. FAMILY HISTORY

Councillor MJ Mason reported that he had inspected burial records from 1836 but had found no mention of the name 'Croxall'. The Church were continuing to examine their own records.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk update Mr Goshorn with this information.

6. DOCUMENTATION

The Clerk tabled the following documentation for the information of the Parish Council:-

- Clerks and Councils Direct
- Groundwork – Chreswell, Ashfield and Mansfield

7. OPEN SPACE, SPORT AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT

The Parish Council noted that the Chairman and Councillor Mrs C Bradford would be attending this Briefing Session at the offices of the District Council on 16th September 2015

8. BURTON HOSPITAL'S LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

The Clerk reported a letter received from this charity requesting a donation or the donation of a prize towards a £35,000.00 appeal for the purchase of equipment for the Ophthalmic Department.

RESOLVED

That, on this occasion, no donation be made.

9. REFURBISHMENT OF NOTICE BOARDS

The Parish Council considered the need to refurbish the two Parish Council notice boards.

The notice board in Elms Road had been temporarily removed to facilitate development and would be replaced in due course. The Chairman undertook to liaise with the owners of the adjacent development to ascertain the extent of the refurbishment works they would be carrying out to the notice board.

The Chairman would then contact Councillor M Kinson to discuss any remaining work required to this board and also the full refurbishment of the board on the Village Green.

10. RECREATION GROUND – HEIGHT RESTRICTION BARRIER

The Parish Council considered the possibility of providing a height restriction barrier at the entrance to the Recreation Ground to prevent any unauthorised vehicles entering the site.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the District Council to ascertain whether they:-

- would finance the provision of a height restriction barrier as the land was in their ownership;
- considered the making of by-laws would assist in removing any unauthorised vehicles from the site

11. SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL ADDENDUM

This addendum had been prepared due to further work requested by South Derbyshire and Amber Valley Local Plan Inspectors regarding the effects of meeting Derbyshire's unmet needs in these two Local Authorities.

The Clerk requested Members to inform him of any comments they had on the document prior to the deadline of 12th October 2015.

12. BENCH – CHURCH STREET

The Chairman reported that she had received a request for a bench in Church Street.

RESOLVED

That the request be noted.

13. WEB SITE

The Clerk reported details of a Transparency Fund being made available to smaller Parish Councils to assist with the setting up of web sites.

Members considered that it would be beneficial to incorporate in the bid the cost of providing internet access to the Community Centre. This would be subject to the Management Committee agreeing to meet the cost of a telephone line. Councillor MJ Mason agreed to raise this matter with the Management Committee and report back to the Parish Council at its next meeting.

RESOLVED

That when a response is received from the Community Centre Management Committee, the Clerk arrange to submit a bid to include the following:-

- Laptop
- Scanner
- Internet access to the Community Centre [if telephone line available]
- Associated set-up costs

14. REPORT BACK ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Vice-Chairman reported that the Drakelow meeting had been postponed.

15. PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION REPORT

The Parish Council considered this inspection report received from Zurich, a copy of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the District Council requesting that Authority to replace the rigid swing suspension members as recommended in the report.

16. REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Mrs E Hall reported that the payment machines had been installed at the District Council and were now operational.

The Clerk reported that Councillor P Murray was dealing with sewage issues relating to No. 43 Greenacres.

The Clerk also advised that he had received an assurance from the District Council that they would provide top soil to level off the uneven parts of the Recreation Ground.

17. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The County Councillor was not present at the meeting.

18. ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER

There were no items from this meeting.

19. FINANCE REPORT

The report of the Clerk showing the income and expenditure of the Parish Council as at 31st August 2015, was received for information and noted.

20. PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public were present at this juncture in the meeting.

21. PLANNING APPLICATION

The Parish Council noted that the Parish Council had objected to the undermentioned planning application on the following grounds:-

2015/0718

Erection of eight mobile homes
Greenacre Park

- If planning permission was granted, the development would cut off the public footpath on the site.
- The field on which the development would take place was historically a ridge and furrow field which could create consequential drainage/flooding issues for the area, including the adjoining playing field.
- The development would result in even more traffic onto a narrow access with Church Street.

- The development would not meet the real housing needs of the area as it was, in effect, a complex for more elderly citizens where residents must be 55 plus.

RESOLVED

That the action taken be approved and confirmed.

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Parish Council had previously agreed that the next meeting would be held on 12th October 2015, at 7.30 pm.

_____ [Chairman]