

COTON-IN-THE-ELMS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on 16th July 2018, at the Community Centre, Coton-in-the-Elms.

Present

Councillors Mrs K Bradford [Chairman], Mrs C Bradford, Mrs S Campion, M Kinson and A Lees [Vice-Chairman].

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Leese and District Councillor P Murray.

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

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2018, 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:-

Payee	Item	£
Trelawn Services	Village Maintenance [May]	437.04 [VAT 72.84]
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Coton Community Centre	Hire	10.00
The Clerk	Stationery Reimbursement	59.94 [VAT 9.99]
The Clerk	Postage Reimbursement	8.08
The Clerk	Stationery Reimbursement	36.19 [VAT 6.03]
Reflex Print Shop	Printing	12.80 [VAT 2.13]
<u>East Midlands in Bloom Account</u>		
D Brookes	Items for Coton in Bloom	235.20
Chapmans Nurseries	Items for Coton in Bloom	625.00 [VAT 104.17]

3. DEFIBRILLATOR

The Parish Council noted information supplied by Councillor A Leese on several cabinets to

house the defibrillator.

RESOLVED

1. That subject to any further comments from Councillor A Leese, the cabinet supplied by Medicare in the sum of £472.49, plus VAT, be purchased.
2. That the Clerk contact the school and arrange for the defibrillator to be made available to the Parish Council.
3. That, at the appropriate time, an article be placed on the Parish Council's website explaining the location of the defibrillator and its availability for community use.
4. That the defibrillator and cabinet be insured for a sum of £2,000.00.

4. ZURICH MUNICIPAL

The Parish Council considered the contents of the Parish Council's insurance portfolio.

RESOLVED

That the document, as submitted, be approved.

5. DOCUMENTATION

The Clerk tabled the following documents for circulation to Members:-

- Crime Figures – June
- Clerks and Councils Direct
- Linton Area Forum – 13th June 2018
- Severn Trent Water – 'Saving Water' Information Sheet
- Derbyshire County Council – Information on Action Grants
- Heather Wheeler, MP – Press Release
- 'What's On' – South Derbyshire and National Forest

6. COTON IN BLOOM

The Parish Council noted the contents of a letter from David Brookes, Coton in Bloom. He made reference to the following:-

- grass and weeds in the village brook;
- dumping of grass clippings in the lower brook.

The Clerk reported that Trelawn Services would be carrying out their usual clearance and maintenance of the brook during the forthcoming week.

A parishioner had indicated that it was County Council workers who had dumped the clippings after cutting grass on the banks of the lower brook.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write in appropriate terms to the County Council in an attempt to prevent a recurrence of this dumping and Coton in Bloom be advised of the action being taken.

7. GAMBLING ACT 2005 – STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY AND LOCAL AREA PROFILE PLAN

The Clerk circulated a copy of this document which had been received from the District Council.

Members were invited to inform the Clerk of any comments they had before the 10th August 2018 deadline.

8. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SCHEME

The Clerk circulated a letter from the District Council on a new Statement of Community Involvement.

Members were invited to inform the Clerk of any comments they had before the 3rd September 2018 deadline.

9. RECREATION GROUND

The Clerk reported that despite Notice of Termination of the Agreement in respect of the Recreation Ground being given to the District Council, the Authority had sent the Parish Council the usual invoice for rent in the sum of £37.50.

In addition, the District Council had referred the Zurich Annual Inspection Report on the play equipment to the Parish Council for action.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk send both of these matters back to the District Council, referring to the Notice of Termination which had been served on the authority in February 2018.

10. DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – BUS STRATEGY

The Clerk circulated an email from Derbyshire County Council regarding a bus strategy for the County.

The Vice-Chairman had kindly responded to the survey. He had also pointed out that Parish Councils were referenced in relation to bus shelter management.

11. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER – ‘LISTENING TO YOU’

The Clerk had circulated an email from the Police and Crime Commissioner in respect of his annual ‘Listening to You’ campaign 2017-2018. The exercise was designed to engage communities in shaping the future of policing in the County.

Members were invited to respond to the survey referred to in the email.

12. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT – JUNCTION 11, M42

The Clerk circulated an email from the Secretary of Chilcote Parish Meeting regarding proposals by IM properties to develop a major industrial/distribution site on agricultural land adjacent to Junction 11 on the M42.

RESOLVED

That the Parish Council inform Chilcote Parish Meeting that this Parish Council objects to the development due to [i] the consequential negative impact on Cotton-in-the-Elms from a substantial increase in vehicular traffic [including heavy lorries] and [ii] the destruction of natural habitat as the development would be on green agricultural land.

13. REPORT BACK ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Vice-Chairman reported back on his attendance at the last Linton Area Meeting.

Particular reference was made to the availability of the following grants:-

Community Partnership Scheme – Ian Haigh
Safer Neighbourhood Grants – Chris Smith

The Vice-Chairman indicated that subject to any other commitments, he hoped to attend the next Digital Derbyshire meeting on Wednesday, 5th September 2018, at 6.00 pm at the Council Offices.

14. CENTENARY OF THE END OF WORLD WAR 1

The Parish Council considered a letter from the Secretary of the Parochial Church Council [copy circulated] requesting the Parish Council to consider the provision of a beacon on the Village Green.

Members considered that it would not be possible to proceed with the provision of a beacon on the Village Green but asked the Clerk to investigate the provision of plaques to be placed next to the recently planted trees on the Village Green to mark the supreme sacrifice made by former soldiers from the parish.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk inform the Secretary of the Parochial Church Council of the action being taken.

15. FINANCE REPORT

The Report of the Clerk, showing the income and expenditure of the Parish Council as at 30th June 2018, was received for information and noted.

16. REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

The District Councillors were not present at the meeting.

17. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The County Councillor was not present at the meeting.

18. PUBLIC SESSION

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

19. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Clerk reported that the following responses had been made to the District Council in respect of the planning applications listed below:-

9/2018/0195

Erection of a detached dwelling
46 Mill Street

The Parish Council had strengthened the objection already made to this development by making reference to the unacceptable “size and scale” of the new build and the consequential access difficulties.

9/2018/0391

Timber outbuilding and change of use to permit the erection of fencing and removal of hedgerow
Whitegate Cottage, Little Liverpool
No objection.

The Parish Council also considered the following planning application:-

9/2018/0601

Erection of extension and garage
2 New Road

RESOLVED

1. That the action taken in respect of 9/2018/0195 and 9/2018/0391 be approved and confirmed.
2. That no objection be made to 9/2018/0601.

20. NOTICE BOARD

RESOLVED

That the Clerk ascertain the cost of providing a new notice board on the Village Green and report back to the next meeting thereon.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED

The Parish Council had previously agreed that the next meeting would be held on 3rd September 2018, at 7.00 p.m.

22. PARISH CLERK'S SALARY

The Clerk reported that the National Negotiating Body had reached agreement on the salary of Local Government Officers for the 2018/2019 financial year.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk's salary be increased in line with the recommendations from the National Body and implemented with effect from 1st April 2018.

[Chairman]