

Cosby Parish Council Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of Cosby Parish Council, held on Thursday 20th February at 7.30pm in the Cosby Community Church Rooms, Croft Road, Cosby

Present:

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| Cllr V Rye (Chair) | Cllr J Chapman |
| Cllr M Howkins | Cllr I Mullis |
| Cllr D Cooper | Cllr C Pharoah |
| Cllr J Wolfe | Cllr P Wardop |
| Cllr S Wegerif | Cllr M Hillmann |

Also present: Mr L Phillimore (Clerk)
Mrs S Chapman (Cosby Parish Council)

Members of the public – 5 Members of the public present

156. To receive and approve apologies for absence

Cllr P Suffield (Approved)

157. Chairman's welcome

The Chairman welcomed all Council Members and members of the public present and reminded everyone that all meetings are recorded.

158. To receive disclosures of members' interests (i.e. the existence and the nature of those interests in respect of items on the agenda)

Cllr Rye declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 11 (Traffic Matters)

159. To receive and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th January 2020 were signed as being a true and correct record by the Chairman.

160. To receive and approve the financial reports for the month ending 31st January 2020 including income and expenditure, budget year to date, balance sheet and to sign the bank reconciliation for the same period.

RESOLVED: That the financial reports for the month ending 31st January 2020 including income and expenditure, budget year to date, balance sheet and the bank reconciliation for the same period be signed by the Chairman as an accurate and true record.

161. To Consider and approve any requests for Memorials.

RESOLVED:

- That the amended request for Kathleen Sylvia Pemberton be permitted.
- That the request for Colin David Kenning be permitted
- That the request for Curtis Jacques not be permitted until further information received.

162. To receive and consider any Planning Applications received and the outcomes of any previous Planning Applications.

- a. 20/0038/HH Two storey rear extension – No observations made

- b. 19/1564/HH Single Storey Extension – Decision noted and the Parish Manager made it known that no representations had been made by the Parish Council in regards to 19/1564/HH.

163. To receive any written or verbal reports from Working Groups.

- a. Cllr: Hillmann provided a verbal update on the Neighbourhood Plan and advised that: -
- The Final Draft is ready for pre-publication consideration
 - The NHP will need to be published on the council website
 - Statutory Consultees require 6 weeks consultation
 - Parish Office to liaise with the Consultant regarding final payments

- b. **Planning Working Group** had no reports to submit

164. To receive a request and recommendation from the Parish Manager that Section 11 “Contracts” (regulation 11.1.d) of the Parish Council Financial Regulations be waived to permit the Parish Manager to negotiate prices without competition on the items listed.

RESOLVED: That Financial Regulation 11.1.d be waived to allow the Parish Manager to proceed with the works indicated.

Cllr Hillmann requested that specifications be brought to Council for approval in regards to a footpath in Victory Park.

165. Public Participation - The meeting was suspended to allow members of the public to make representations about items that are on the agenda.

- a) A presentation was made by three members of the public regarding the Cosby Yarn Bomb (**Agenda item 12.h**) which will take place between 21st August and 21st September 2020.

RESOLVED, that the Parish Council support the Yarn Bomb and invited the parishioners to request grant funding for the 2020 event.

- b) The Parish Manager advised of a request to speak on a matter that was not on the agenda.

RESOLVED, that the member of public be heard through the Chairman relating to a potential Garden Village at Whetstone Pastures Farm and the Blaby District Council SHELAA (2019) with 3 questions addressed to the Parish Council.

The Chair thanked the member for the public speaking and confirmed that a response would be made in writing.

RESOLVED: That the advice of the LRALC be received and adopted and that no further discussions relating to a potential Garden Village on Whetstone Pastures Farm take place for the time being.

166. To receive and discuss representations from Cosby Parishioners (Agenda item 12.a) in relation to traffic matters within the village of Cosby

The Parish Manager advised that the representation will be deferred due to the Cosby Parishioner being unable to attend due to work commitments.

167. To receive any correspondence.

- a. Email – Cosby Traffic – Postponed until next meeting

- b. Email – District Ward Councillor re: Cosby traffic – Postponed until next meeting
- c. Letter to Secretary of State – Received
- d. Email – damage to verges on Lady Leys – Postponed until next meeting
- e. Letter to Elected Member of Cosby Parish Council from a member of the public from Willoughby Waterleys – Noted
- f. Email – from a member of the public from Willoughby Waterleys regarding response received from Cosby Parish Council – Received
- g. Letter – Turner Educational Foundation. No donation to be made as not parish specific.
- h. Email – Cosby Yarn Bomb – Received and discussed above
- i. Email – Ladies Rounders League – To be invited to speak at next meeting
- j. Blaby District Council Parish Newsletter - Received

RESOLVED, that the correspondence be noted and actioned accordingly.

At the discretion of the Chairman, agenda item 14 (Village Projects) be moved up the agenda.

168. To receive any updates on Village Projects

The Chairman requested support for a public “Picnic in the Park” event to celebrate the centenary of Victory Park.

RESOLVED: That Cosby Parish Council will support this event and provide reasonable financial support. The Chair of the Council to progress.

The council is returned to Agenda item 13.

169. To receive the Clerk’s General Report and Updates

RESOLVED: That the Clerk’s General Report be received and the Parish Manager be authorized to action accordingly to include: -

- Moles on Pretty Corner to be accepted as wildlife within the village with routine repair work included in the Grounds Maintenance Contract.
- Football Pitch Improvement Programme to be actioned.
- Arboreal work is pending a walk-about with the County Highway Authority to establish ownership.
- Damaged floodlights on Victory Park to remain in-situ until motorized vehicles can be deployed on Victory Park.

170. To receive reports from District and County Councillors.

There were no reports from District and County Councillors

171. To receive reports from representatives attending outside meetings or training

There were no reports from representatives attending outside meetings or training

172. Agenda Item 16, Confidential Items: 9.10pm

RESOLVED, In accordance with the Public bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960 and (Exempt information at Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 Act) the press and the public will be excluded from the following items by reason of the confidential nature of the business (Commercial) that the press and public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of matters to be discussed.

- a) **To receive and sign the minutes of the EGM held on Monday 10th February 2020 and consider any reformatted tender submissions for the award of the Architects for the Under 16's changing rooms at Cosby Village Hall**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the EGM held on Monday 10th February 2020 be signed as being a true and correct record by the Chairman

The Parish Manager reported that one reformatted tender submission had been received. The Parish Manager to arrange for the Architects to present to the Council about their proposals.

- b) **To receive and sign the minutes of the EGM to be held on Wednesday 19th February 2020 for the award of the Cosby Parish Council Grounds Maintenance Contract for the period 1st April to 31st March 2023**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the EGM held on Wednesday 19th February 2020 be approved subject to amendments on the Members present.

173. To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as Thursday 19th March 2020.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.26pm

----- 19th March 2020

Cllr: Veronica Rye

Chairman