

CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held at Saint Andrews Church, Main Street, Carlton at 19:30 hrs on Wednesday 11th November 2015

Present: S G Tupling (Chairman), J H Boston, I Sarson, W R Sharp (Councillors),
I D Ould (County Councillor), M Cook (Borough Councillor), C J Peat (Clerk).

1. Administrative matters

a) Apologies for absence from Councillors

It was resolved that an apology from Cllr Finch be accepted.

b) Declarations of interests (including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) and requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda

There were none.

2. Minutes of the meeting of 14th October 2015

It was resolved that the minutes be confirmed and they were signed by the Chairman.

3. Reports, questions and comments from the following

a) Parish Councillors

Cllr Sarson reported that the *Slow* road marking on Bosworth Road was very faint and did not appear to have been renewed after resurfacing. The Chairman noted that the *Dragon's teeth* marking on Barton Road was now faded and beginning to break up. The road markings in the parish had been surveyed in March (p.1557/3d refers), and only some had been renewed after top dressing. The Clerk reported that LCC had advised that the *Dragon's teeth* markings on Nailstone Road would be renewed, but not in the current financial year (p.1582/3a refers).

Cllr Ould reported that LCC Highways had cut expenditure on white lining, and other parishes were experiencing similar problems. **It was resolved** that a survey be carried out of all road markings in the parish and defects reported to LCC Highways with a copy to Cllr Ould.

b) Leicestershire County Council

Cllr I D Ould reported on current LCC business: further cuts in government grant were likely to lead to the withdrawal of all non-statutory services. Cllr Ould had attended a meeting at Police HQ to discuss future priorities in the light of the severe cuts expected in the Police budget. Information on the proposed 30 mph at Sheepy was not yet available because of staff cuts at LCC Highways; investigations were continuing into the provision of the bus turning and waiting bay at Bosworth Marina.

c) Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

Cllr M Cook reported on current H&BBC business: the company engaged to carry out the public consultation (p.1583/3c refers) had failed to deliver the survey forms to 75% of homes, so the survey would now be carried out via the Borough Bulletin. Market Bosworth Fire Station would in future be manned by permanent firefighters (not retained as at present). H&BBC was considering forming a combined authority with LCC, Leicester City Council, other DCs and possibly other CCs.

d) Carlton Neighbourhood Watch Group

Ms R Yule had reported that there had been two separate incidents of criminal damage/arson in September.

e) Parish Clerk

Works to Churches, Churchyards and Local Authority Cemeteries – this course, presented by Rupert Allen (DAC Secretary) and David Newman (Archdeacon), had been attended by Councillors Sarson and Sharp, and the Clerk, at LRALC, Anstey on 9th November. The course had covered the application of the Faculty Jurisdiction Rules 2015 (SI 2015 no. 1568) to the kind of management and maintenance works typically carried out by PCs in closed churchyards and consecrated cemeteries.

Hinckley and Bosworth Rural Conference – the inaugural conference, organised by H&BBC would be held on Tuesday 1st December 2015, 10.00am – 3.30pm, at Bosworth Hall, Market Bosworth. **It was resolved** that the PC be represented by the Clerk.

Diamond Jubilee Orchard – the path had been surfaced (p.1584/6a refers) on 15th October at a total cost of £648.06 (comprising £372.00 stone, £260.88 plant hire, £15.18 fuel); the entrance signs had been installed on 4th November at a total cost of £143.90 (comprising £123.32 brass plates, £20.58 wood preservative & concrete). **It was resolved** that this expenditure be charged to the PAF, and that AR Demolition be advised on how their donation had been spent (p.1577/3a refers). Murray Lockwood, Stuart Tupling and Chris Peat **were thanked** for routing the lettering, staining the lettering and making the post caps for the entrance signs respectively. The Nailstone Road hedge had been cut by CGG volunteers on the morning of the meeting.

The CGG had decided not to install permanent interpretation signs, so the landscaping works were now complete. CGG volunteers had donated 488 hours to the project since work began on 20th February 2013. The total cost of the project (excluding the Toddlers Play Area) to date was £8393.64 against an initial estimate of £10,964.07 (prepared for the A4A grant application). All expenditure had been covered by NHB and s106 funding, and the project had also benefitted from donations of cash, materials and help in kind. Reports 2013-04 and 2013-15 refer.

A list of digital communications and reports received would be copied to each Councillor, and copies of any files would be forwarded on request. Additional written documentation would be circulated. Councillors Ould and Cook left the meeting at this point.

f) Members of the public

There were none.

4. Proposed extension of 30 mph speed limit on Bosworth Road

It was resolved that this item be deferred until more information was available (see 3b above; p.1582/3b; 1583/3e refer).

5. Complaint about speeding traffic in Main Street

A parishioner had written to complain about the speed of traffic in Main Street. A speed survey had been requested on Bosworth Road (p.1557/3d refers) but it was unlikely that LCC Highways would ever get round to carrying this out. It was noted that Sheepy PC had purchased a mobile Vehicle Activated Sign that could record vehicle speeds (Sheepy PC mins

Nov 3rd 2015), and suggested that this initiative be monitored with a view to offering to rent this equipment at some future date. The point was made that speed surveys in Carlton would be very unlikely to demonstrate 85th percentile speeds high enough to justify radar speed checks, and therefore that it would be a waste of money for the PC to carry out speed surveys. The Police and LCC Highways had made it clear that they were concentrating their limited resources on places with a record of serious accidents, but there was evidence of an increasing number of serious accidents on rural roads, and excessive speed was likely to be a factor in this. **It was resolved** that the PC would continue to campaign for a programme of random radar speed checks in rural settlements.

6. Planning matters

a) Planning applications submitted

2015/01155/CONDIT removal of condition 12 of planning permission reference 13/00195/FUL. 36 Main Street.

b) Comments submitted under delegated powers

There were none.

c) Planning applications determined

There were none.

d) Report 2015-19 on Neighbourhood Planning

It was resolved that Report 2015-19 be accepted, and the recommendations in it be implemented.

7. Future meetings

a) Meetings calendar for 2016

It was resolved that meetings be held on 13th Jan (Finance meeting), 10th Feb, 13th April, 11th May (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of PC), 8th June, 27th July, 14th Sept, 12th Oct, 9th Nov and 11th January 2017. **It was noted** that there would be no PC meeting in March.

b) Next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting (Finance) be held at 1930 hrs on Wednesday 13th January 2016 in Saint Andrew's Church, Main Street, Carlton.

The meeting closed at 2132 hrs.

Signed _____

Date _____

Abbreviations used in these minutes

CC	County Council	CDJO	Carlton Diamond Jubilee Orchard
CGG	Carlton Gardening Group	DAC	Diocesan Advisory Committee
DC	District Council	H&BBC	Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council
LCC	Leicestershire County Council	LRALC	Leicestershire and Rutland Association of Local Councils
NHB	New Homes Bonus	PAF	Parish Amenities Fund
PC	Parish Council		