

**GEDDINGTON, NEWTON AND LITTLE OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors N Batchelor (Chair), C Buckseall, T Bailey, P Goode, D Watson, S Wenbourne, P Berry, J Padwick and M Rowley

**APOLOGIES:**

None

**82/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**83/19 CO-OPTION**

Clarification is being sought by KBC as to co-option concerning proposed move date for next local elections. Until the clarification is obtained co-option is best to be postponed.

**ACTION 1: Cllr Watson will raise this issue at the next Rural Forum.**

**84/19. PUBLIC SESSION**

Two members of the public were present.

**a) Police Report / Crime figures - latest available as at 8.1.19**

| <b>Crime figures - latest figures available. Reported in Nov 2018 , for Jan 2019 PC meeting</b> |   |                                  |   |
|---|---|----------------------------------|---|
|   | <b>location</b>                         | <b>Category</b>                  | <b>Current status</b>                         |
| <b>Geddington</b>   | crime on or near The Woodlands          | Violence and sexual offences (1) | Unable to prosecute suspect                   |
|   | crime on or near Slade Close            | Violence and sexual offences (1) | Unable to prosecute suspect                   |
|   | crime on or near Bright Trees Road      | Public order (1)                 | Investigation complete; no suspect identified |
|   | crime on or near Sports/recreation Area | Violence and sexual offences (1) | Investigation complete; no suspect identified |
| <b>Newton</b>   | Nil                                     |                                  |   |
| <b>Little Oakley</b>  | Crime on or near Park/open Space        | Violence and sexual offences     | Unable to prosecute suspect                   |

Cllr Padwick thought it would be useful to have an interpretation from police as to the nature of the crime. For example, domestic violence – there is no right to know anything further. But hooliganism – it would be helpful to know further details. However, Sargent Offord has previously said that he is not willing to put any further information on the site.

**ACTION 2: The Clerk to add in dates of the incident where possible, in the future.**

**b) Questions from the public**

### Report back from member of the public concerning the Transport group.

- There was a meeting at the beginning of January – seven residents were present.
- Noted at this stage that the working group is a parallel of the Parish council view. It is a working group of the Parish Plan.  
The number 8 bus service is a priority for the group – the service will probably end in July. A “use it or lose it” campaign is needed.  
A draft travel plan includes a sustainable action plan. This includes connecting the village to where people need to go.
- The survey results show that there is a willingness by a sizable amount of people to participate in lift sharing.
- Some residents aged over 65 years have said that they drive now, but will use the bus in a few years time.
- It was pointed out that by encouraging people to use the bus service that as a community Geddington is working together.
- Suggestions that have come forward include to put together an itinerary of local places of interest- for example, to go to the museum in a group for one day a week.
- The possibility of exploring a mini-bus option is still a background option. Cllr Watson advised that the Rural Forum have said that it costs £69,000.00 to introduce and run a mini bus service.
- The school children route: some residents in Geddington have not applied for their free school transport but are entitled to it. Three families are being helped with the application process.
- Contact with the bus service as to re-routing the bus for some of the routes.
- The bus service could possibly go through Geddington for a school bus run and the normal bus service.
- Cllr Rowley added that there may be a future high street grant, as part of regenerating high streets, that could be possibly applied for.
- If the money could be raised there would be more control over the service. A Travel Group resident will attend a meeting with Centrebus in Leicester. One of the questions to be asked is can they give some nominal figures that will help the working group to consider options.
- The service is currently only still running as a result of the subsidy (Little Stanion) S106 payment which ends on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The working group intend to set up a meeting with John Ellery to ask if there is any new information as to funding/potential withdrawal of the Kettering to Corby service. In October 2018 half the cost of the service was met by commercial users, and half by the S106.
- Cllr Wenbourne asked if the working group could be given the questions that the Parish Council would like to be asked.
- **ACTION 3: Cllr Padwick said he was happy to collate any questions – to be sent to him by 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019.**

The member of the working group said she was working with the school – planning to teach children how to use a bus as a lot of children have never travelled on public transport. The project will also provide free marketing for the bus company.

**c) Reports from County and Borough Councillors.**

No formal reports from NCC or KBC received.

**85/19. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**Minutes of the last meeting**

**a) Approval of Parish Council Special Meeting Minutes – held 6th December 2018.**

Approval of the minutes proposed by Cllr Goode, seconded by Cllr Wenbourne. Agreed by all those present.

**b) Approval of Parish Council monthly meeting Minutes – held 10th December 2018**

Approval of the minutes proposed by Cllr Watson, seconded by Cllr Buckseall. Agreed by all those present.

**c) Approval of Parish Council Special Meeting Minutes – held 3th January 2019**

Approval of the minutes proposed by Cllr Bailey, seconded by Cllr Padwick. Agreed by all those present.

**d) Matters arising; progress on agreed actions for items a) to c).**

*10.12.18 Action 1: A PCSO needs to patrol the area at school times – this request to be sent to Sargent Offord. (Concerning illegal parking on yellow lines in school area).*

Response from Sargent Offord “I have passed this on to the PCSO that covers Geddington School.”

**ACTION 4: The clerk to convey that councillors are disappointed that no further information has been forthcoming. But to thank him for forwarding the email to the relevant PCSO, to add that a large number of residents are very concerned, and the councillors are looking for a blitz on the area if that is possible .**

*10.2.18 Action 2: “The clerk to look at the minutes between 2010 and 2013 concerning permission given (for parking on the recreation field”).*

**ACTION 5: This action has only been partly completed so needs finishing.**

Comments made –

- Further parking in the Bowls Club area will not commence until further houses have been built.
- there was supposed to be no further pressure on the car park until events in May, but it was chaos in the first week in January.

**ACTION 6: The Clerk to add “parking in the village hall” to the February agenda. Cllr Batchelor will circulate some ideas.**

**PLANNING**

*Cllr Rowley did not take part in this item of the agenda.*

**a) KBC Decision notices**

*KET/2018/0867. Mr & Mrs G Dickens, 35 Stamford Road, Geddington.*

*Variation of condition 2 of planning approval KET/2017/0636, to correct levels error on previously approved scheme*

Refused.

*KET/2018/0881. Mr P & Mrs M Cooper, 8 Chase View Road (land to rear), Geddington, 1 no. dwelling with access off Slade Close Refused.*

*KET/2028/066 Camgrain Stores Ltd. Camgrain Stores, Rushton Road, Newton. Erection of 151kW solar array with associated cable trench Approved.*

**b) Planning Applications**

*KET/2018/0520 Mr & Mrs S & L Morrison, The Old Bakery, 12 Bakehouse Hill, Geddington, Replace main roof and clean roof to oven structure. Repaint front/stable door and replace rear and internal doors. Repoint brickwork, repair and paint windows, treat and stain beams/door to oven structure and paint tie bars. Replace radiators, bathroom/en-suite/ground floor toilet fittings, to include retiling and painting.*

Proposed that there was no objection to this application. Seconded by Cllr Goode. All councillors present were in favour, with the exception of one abstention.

*KET/2018/0944 and 0945 Mr A Foulke, St Peters Church, Corby Road, Little Oakley. Conversion to dwelling*

*And KET/2018/0945 - Conversion to dwelling to include erection of stud walls, changes to window openings, repairs to external doors, replacement study floor, installation of staircases to tower and nave with erection of raised platform and internal balcony to west of nave, remove concrete plinths and ramp, reopen staircases, install wall and ceiling ventilation and repair quarry tile floor*

Noted that this is virtually an amendment. Extra information was requested that has been sent. Proposed no objection by Cllr Bailey, seconded by Cllr Goode. Agreed by all those present, except for one abstention.

**86/19. CORRESPONDENCE**

Two hard copy letters relating to the Holocaust event and a KBC budget meeting to be scanned and sent out.

There were no comments as to any other correspondence that had been received and sent out to councillors.

**87/19. FINANCE**

|                             |                |            |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Community account statement | as at 17.12.18 | £26,691.11 |
| Business Saver account      | as at 17.12.18 | £10,750.05 |

a) **Accounts received**

None

b) **Accounts for payment**

|                  |          |   |
|------------------|----------|---|
| Parish Clerk     | £1024.91 | 1/4ly salary Oct – Dec 18                         |
| Parish Clerk     | £256.23  | PAYE Oct – Dec 18. – paid via AC's own debit card |
| Parish Clerk     | £60.00   | Agreed depreciation of equipment Oct – Dec 18.    |
| Parish Clerk     | £9.99    | Expenses – 2 x reams printer paper                |
| Zurich Municipal | £468.28  | Insurance Feb 19 – Mar 20.                        |

The accounts for payment were proposed as approved by Cllr Berry, seconded by Cllr Rowley. All councillors present agreed to the approval.

**c) Purchase of a printer/scanner for use by Clerk/Councillors**

It was agreed that an A3 printer with an A4 scanner would be purchased out of the transparency fund grant. It must be portable and have an automatic feeder. Cost authorised up to £200.00. Proposed by Cllr Batchelor, seconded by Cllr Bailey, agreed by all councillors present.

**d) Precept – for decision and approval.**

Issues relating to the precept had been discussed in previous meetings. Cllr Watson proposed that the precept remain at the current level. Seconded by Cllr Berry. All councillors present were in favour of the proposal.

**e) A capital projects update was given:-**

Newton entrance road. Cllr Watson received a 71% response to the survey as to Newton villagers thoughts on possible work to make the entrance to the access road safer. There was a total disgust that lives of residents are not important and are discounted. The junction area needs to be dealt with as a priority. The Geddington side of the entrance is the most dangerous side. The survey also noted that a cyclist came out of the village, hit another cyclist and ended up in hospital.

**ACTION 7: Cllr Watson to collate the number of near misses with Newton residents and people using Newton on a regular basis if possible.**

**ACTION 8: Feedback of the survey to be given to Cllr Rowley and for the updated information to be circulated.**

Village Hall car park issues

**ACTION 9: Cllr Berry to circulate updates if there is any, on parking in the village hall car park.**

## MUGA

**ACTION 10: Cllr Padwick to provide any updates if any on the MUGA proposal. It was generally felt that this may not be the right time to commit to this proposal as other sources of funding need to be explored.**

Cllr Batchelor said that at the next meeting there really needs to be one capital proposition made.

## **88/19 - ENVIRONMENT AND RECREATION**

### **a) Siting of the mobile fish & chip van and generator noise - Geddington Village Hall.**

The generator noise is very loud and will disturb people's recreations. Noted that it is the village hall's responsibility to liaise with the fish and chip van which is now run by new people. However, sometimes the Parish Council will need to put weight behind messages or information sent out. Cllr Batchelor has contacted them needing assurances of reduction in noise for the generator, but he has not yet received a reply, even though a pledge was previously given that the generator would be changed, but this has not happened. The village hall car park will be on the agenda next month, and there now needs to be an ultimatum – to change the generator to a more mainstream model or go elsewhere.

Noted by Cllr Wenbourne that van/ business users using the village hall car park will have their own public liability insurance but it will only cover the service of providing the food.

Also noted by Cllr Batchelor that the village hall should give event co-ordinators stipulations of what is required. This also is applicable if somebody turns up wanting to sell hot food.

**ACTION 11: The Clerk to contact Zurich Insurance over concerns relating to hirers' liability.**

### **b) The Wildlife pool – to discuss and agree a maintenance task on the Pool in the Meadows**

Cllr Berry updated councillors as to the work that has been carried out. Three people have been working on the pond carrying out approved work as per the wildlife fund, with further work to be carried out next weekend – cut back of weeds. This is the same maintenance work that needs to be carried out as last year.

Proposed by Cllr Batchelor that the stated work be carried out, seconded by Cllr Padwick. All councillors present were in favour.

**ACTION 12 The latest report on the pool in the Meadows to be circulated.**

### **c) Local rules and 'policy' around obstructions on footpaths -discussion.**

Cllr Batchelor was contacted by a resident concerning planters on the public highway. If the space is not wide enough for a pushchair by it it needs to be reported to Street Doctor as it is classed as an obstruction. This includes bins: they are the responsibility of NCC but enforced by KBC.

**d) The future of the number 8 bus service – discussed within the public session.**

**e) Adoption of flood Plan.**

Noted that this was adopted as version1 at the last meeting.

**ACTION 13: Cllr Buckseall will make the small amendments that need to be made.**

Cllr Bailey added that the dates requested of flooding events from one household in Little Oakley have not yet been given to him.

Noted that the following action is needed:-

**ACTION 14: The clerk to send a letter to Boughton Estates regarding the Nancy Moore steps.**

#### **NEWTON**

No issues raised.

#### **LITTLE OAKLEY**

No issues raised

#### **AOB / ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA**

Co-option

Bus routes

Budget consultation meeting – update from KBC (Cllr Watson is unable to attend).

Parking in the village hall, the Newton entrance Road, MUGA further work needed – further discussion as to the options.

*There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.47pm.*