

WYMESWOLD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, a meeting of Wymeswold Parish Council was held VIRTUALLY via Zoom on Monday 12th April 2021 at 7:00pm.

1. Apologies

- i. There were no apologies made this evening.

2. Declarations of interest

- i. Cllr McKean declared interest in the planning application ref: P/20/1751/2 as a neighbour in Paget Croft.
- ii. Cllr Cooke declared interest in the planning application ref: P/21/0566/2.

3. Public Participation

There were three members of the public in attendance this evening.

- i. Trevor and Tom from Truplant joined the meeting. Tom introduced himself and Trevor and talked about how long the company had been residents in the village. They explained that they had submitted retrospective planning permission for the hardstanding gravel at the back of the land. Tom confirmed that there is no change to their business purposes, just expansion to what they are already doing. Cllr Ling asked if more jobs would be created because of their expansion. Tom explained that there was fair chance that this would be the case. Cllr McKean asked about the increase in the work and the jet-washing in particular because of the dirt and the noise generated. Tom took the feedback on board and assured members of the PC that they had this in mind when planning works and reiterated that they would do whatever it took to help ease the burden on the village as they feel that it is a fantastic location for their business. Cllr Jo Ling thanked Trevor and Tom for their contribution.
- ii. Chris Isherwood joined the meeting to talk about his objection to retrospective planning application ref P/20/1751/2. Mr Isherwood explained that it is with great regret that he objects to the application, as he is aware that the residents of the property in question purchased the property with these works already in place. The objection comes as an attempt to try and protect Manor Court and Paget Croft residents from future flooding as seen in February 2020. Mr Isherwood shared a PowerPoint presentation detailing the reasons for his objections. The Parish Council thanked Mr Isherwood for his comments and information.

4. To sign and approve minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st March 2021.

- i. Approved – Cllr Blount and Michael Henshaw had asked for amends. Clerk to complete and reissue minutes to the members of the Parish Council.

5. Reports from County and Borough Councillors

- i. County Cllr Shepherd advised that he had had a response to the query about awarding Quiet Lane status to Narrow Lane. There are currently no Quiet Lanes in Leicestershire. Whilst our initial response from LCC was not promising, Cllr Shepherd advised that we would be welcome to ask the question and apply for the status. Borough Cllr Boker seconded that idea.
- ii. Borough Cllr Boker advised that she would be adding detail about Quiet Lane application in the next edition of The Link together with details about the HGV's that are attempting to drive through the village on unsuitable roads. The issue seems to arise from Satnav directing the drivers down those unsuitable lanes. Both County Councillor and Borough Councillor advise suggesting signage to LCC. It was also discussed the potential of another triangular island at the top of Clay Street. Resolved that WPC would investigate progressing this and the clerk would write to Acorn recycling to ask them to reiterate their drivers that most lanes in the village were NOT suitable for HGV's.
- iii. Cllr Ling asked Cllr Boker to update us on the Burton on The Wolds planning application. Cllr Boker advised that a complaint has been received from Burton on the Wolds Parish Council.
- iv. Cllr Boker also touched on the subject of Mill Hill Leys and the maintenance work that residents have undertaken in the absence of any authority taking responsibility for the area. Cllr Mills advised that the residents have done this to try and make the best use of the space and clear the very overgrown plants and shrubbery which rendered

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the site as unusable. The works have uncovered an ancient pond which Cllr Cooke is looking in to in terms of how residents might go about restoring it.

6. Police report

- i. During the month of March 2021 Wymeswold had 1x Attempted Burglary reported on Sheppards Orchard; Sunday 28th March 2021.

7. Accounts

- i. To review and sign off expenditure for March/April 2021. Approved.
- ii. To review and approved the Audit Forms for 2020-21. Approved

8. Planning Applications and Appeals

- i. **Application No:** P/21/0284/2

Proposal: Change of use of buildings and land to a plant hire business (sui generis) with associated external storage areas, wash bay area, siting of 3 storage containers, site levelling, surfacing, bunding and erection of boundary fencing.

Location: True Plant Hire Ltd, The New Barn, Rempstone Road, Wymeswold, LE12 6UE

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 1st March 2021. Although Cllrs do have concerns about the volume of traffic generated, the Parish Council voted that they will NOT be submitting an objection or passing comment.

- ii. **Application No:** P/21/0090/2

Proposal: Proposed Extensions and Alterations to existing bungalow property consisting of a new porch/entrance extension, new rear kitchen extension and alterations to window openings, new windows and new rooflights to existing rear wing and associated landscaping.

Location: 7 London Lane, Wymeswold, Leicestershire, LE12 6UB

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 1st March 2021. The Parish Council voted, and will NOT be submitting an objection or passing comment.

- iii. **Application No:** P/21/0073/2

Proposal: Erection of 1.5 and single storey extensions to rear of dwelling with roof terrace above single storey extension. and creation of roof extensions to east and west roof planes.

Location: 73 Brook Street, Wymeswold, Leicestershire, LE12 6TT

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 1st March 2021. Residents either side have submitted objections. The Parish Council voted, and will NOT be submitting an objection, but will pass comment and say that we see no reason to object providing that privacy and light to neighbouring properties was not adversely affected.

- iv. **Application No:** P/20/1751/2

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Proposal: Works to watercourse, erection of greenhouse and installation of two sections of decking over watercourse (retrospective application)

Location: 4 Paget Croft, Wymeswold, Leicestershire, LE12 6TQ

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 8th March 2021. The Parish Council debated this application at great length, considering all of the evidence available to us. A vote was cast. Proposed by Cllr Mills that we would not object, seconded by Cllr Cooke. The vote was unanimous, and with the evidence available, the Parish Council will not be objecting to the retrospective planning application.

v. **Application No:** P/21/0321/2

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension to rear of dwelling.

Location: 6 Brook Street, Wymeswold, Leicestershire, LE12 6TU

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 8th March 2021. No objections or comments raised from any members of the PC.

vi. **Application No:** P/210355/2

Proposal: Erection of agricultural building to house livestock. (Prior Notification)

Location: Glebe Barn Farm, Narrow Lane, Wymeswold, Leicestershire.

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 8th March 2021. No objections or comments raised from any members of the PC.

vii. **Application No:** P/21/0414/2

Proposal: (Advice) Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling

Location: 56 London Lane, Wymeswold, Leicestershire, LE12 6UB

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Mon 8th March 2021. No objections or comments raised from any members of the PC.

viii. **Application No:** P/21/0566/2

Proposal: Erection of porch to front and single storey extension to side and rear of dwelling. Installation of new vehicle access and dropped kerb.

Location: 5 Hoton Road, Wymeswold, LE12 6UA

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Tues 6th April 2021. The Parish Council voted, and we will NOT be submitting an objection, but we will pass comment and say that we see no reason to object providing that privacy and light to neighbouring properties was not adversely affected.

ix. **Application No:** P/21/0556/2

Proposal: Erection of agricultural hay storage building (Prior Notification)

Location: Dungehill Farm, Wide Lane, Wymeswold, LE12 6SE

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x. **Application No:** P/21/0165/2

Proposal: (Advice) Residential development of up to 100 dwellings

Location: Land at Melton Road (Hawker Business Park) Burton on The Wolds, Leics LE12 5TH

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Tues 6th April 2021. No objections or comments raised from any members of the PC.

9. Environment and Biodiversity

- i. Cllr Cooke provided an update on the latest biodiversity work that he has been carrying out.
- ii. Cllr Mills updated us re tree removal of H64/ Wysall Lane. Cllrs Mills and Cllr Ling updated us on the issue in hand and why we have gotten to the stage of having to intervene. At the March meeting it was agreed that we would obtain three quotes for the proposed work. The quotes were obtained from Tindle Tree Care, Roma Landscapes and Leicestershire County Council. The County Council was the most cost effective of the three quotes obtained and they have agreed to allow the Parish Council to pay in two instalments, over two financial years. Proposed by Cllr Blount and seconded by Cllr Mills. Vote cast and all in favour. The Parish Council are undertaking this work as a one off to help improve the quality of living for the residents directly affected. Resolved also that the Parish Council would contact the owners of the Hammer & Pincers to gain access to their land in order to facilitate the removal of the trees.

10. Cemetery: Discuss any issues or Cemetery related news.

- i. Nothing to discuss this month. Resolved that Clerk would investigate Cemetery Management software.

11. Church Wall

- i. Nothing to discuss this month. Clerk updated the Parish Council on conversations with neighbouring villages who have experience of similar issue and were able to offer advice. Owing to time constraints this evening, it was agreed that we would re-visit this matter at the next Parish Council meeting in May.

12. Clerk's Report

- i. The next meeting of the Parish Council is confirmed for Tuesday 5th May owing to the May Bank Holiday on Monday 4th May. The following meeting in June will be postponed until after 21st June when it is hoped that all Coronavirus restrictions will be lifted. All members of the Parish Council agreed and were in favour. Resolved that the exact date of the June Meeting will be agreed at the Parish Council meeting on Tues 5th May.

13. Community Consultation: Update on the progress of the housing survey.

- i. The results of the survey are in and we received a fantastic response with 223 out of 613 households responding. The PC now need to agree how to share the results with village residents.

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14. S106 – MUGA. Final Approval

- i. Cllr Higgins talked members of the Parish Council through the latest update on the MUGA. The order is now officially placed. In confirming the order, it was highlighted that the playing surface needs to go a further 1.5metres at each end to make the best use of the space. This will come at an additional cost to the PC and Cllr Higgins proposed that PC cast a vote to agree this additional spend. Vote cast and all in favour. Cllr Higgins also wished to record his thanks to Cllr Blount for pursuing the matter and leading us to conclusion.

15. Sports Pavilion/Playing Fields/ Washdyke related news.

- i. The Cricket Club have confirmed that the cricket season will be taking place this year.

16. Members' points of information.

- i. The Parish Council wished to record thanks to Roger and Marion Kirkbride at the pharmacy for their service to the village.
- ii. Cllr Ling advised that she is stepping down as Chair at the May elections. The news was met with great sadness by members of the Parish Council.

Meeting brought to a close by Chair Jo Ling at 9:05pm.