

# WYMESWOLD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, a meeting of Wymeswold Parish Council was held VIRTUALLY via Zoom on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm.

## 1. Apologies

- i. Cllr Laura Mills was absent.

## 2. Declarations of interest

- i. None

## 3. Public Participation

- i. Two members of the public, Martin Scrivens and Jeremy Clouston- Jones attended this evenings meeting.
- ii. Presentation by Rainer Developments regarding a proposed residential development in Wymeswold of 85 dwellings. Sarah Murray (Edge Urban Design), Andrea Kellegher and Grant Stevenson, Ian Deverell and Matthew Grist all attended to talk through the outline application for this development in principle. No developer has yet been appointed to the project.
- iii. Points were raised regarding the current 30mph speed limit. Residents are concerned about the impact this might have as the development is proposed to be just outside of the current 30mph limit. Resolved that the plans include expanding the 30mph limit range to accommodate this.
- iv. Cllr Cooke asked if the developers have thought about building on brownfield land rather than the greenspace that they have chosen. This is something that the developers have considered but deemed inappropriate for this project.

## 4. To sign and approve minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

- i. Approved

## 5. Police report

- i. Our local police beat team have informed us of the theft of a mower from a barn around Rempstone Road which occurred overnight (Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November).

## 6. Accounts

- i. Accounts for expenditure in November 2020 were approved and signed off
- ii. Precept for 2021/22. An agreement regarding the precept for 2021/22 was not reached in this meeting and owing the time constraints of the meeting this week following Rainiers presentation. Resolved: It was agreed by all Councillors to hold an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council to discuss the precept on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm.

## 7. Planning Applications and Appeals

- i. There were no comments or objections for any of the below applications.

APPLICATION NO:	P/20/1969/2
PROPOSAL:	Erection of front and rear dormer windows, veranda to rear of dwelling and single storey extension to garage
LOCATION:	14 Woodlands Close, Wymeswold, LE12 6TF

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APPLICATION NO: P/20/1902/2  
PROPOSAL: Fell 6 Conifers  
LOCATION: 95a Brook Street, Wymeswold, LE12 6TT

APPLICATION NO: P/20/1985/2  
PROPOSAL: Proposed single storey extension to the rear of existing dwelling.  
LOCATION: 35 Brook Street, Wymeswold, LE12 6TT

## 8. Reports from County and Borough Councillors

- i. Concerns were raised by Wymeswold PC as to why Wymeswold were not included in the consultation re the Prestwold Estates application to expand the industrial park. Resolved that Borough Councillor Jenny Boker would find out why this was the case and update members of Wymeswold PC accordingly.
- ii. Borough Cllr Jenny Boker advised members of the PC that Covid numbers in Charnwood are coming down dramatically and subsequently, they will be pushing hard to get Charnwood out of tier 3 on 16th December.
- iii. It has proven that the sensor alert link to the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator is an effective way of getting information to residents. The system was triggered on Fri 4th Dec and the Charnwood Parish Council came out to clear the debris in the brook.
- iv. Cllr Shepherd; Updated members of the PC on the ongoing manhole cover situation. Amey attended the village on Sunday 6th December 2020 to repair four manhole covers but only two were completed. They will need to come back out and repair the other two. Resolved that County Cllr Shepherd would report back to us with any updates.
- v. The Parish Council would also like to extend thanks to Cllr Shepherd for his involvement in having the willows adjacent to Swift's Close pruned.

## 9. Discuss any updates regarding S106 expenditure

- i. Cllr Blount updated us on the progress with the plans to spend the S106 money that we have. Streetscape quoted for two goal ends with a basketball hoop and the tarmac area would be 10 metres by 20 metres. This might come in slightly over budget. Resolved that we would discuss further at our precept meeting on Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Dec.
- ii. Cllrs requested to know what the final balance of S106 remaining monies was., Resolved that Cllr Ling would let is have a confirmed figure of the S106 balance remaining.

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

- i. No issues to report

## 11. Church Wall

- i. Cllr Blount provided an update regarding the chasing of the Order in Council to prove or disprove that the wall forms part of the curtilage of the church and that is therefore the responsibility of the PC to repair the collapsed church wall. Unfortunately, we have been unable to locate it. When the wall has been damaged previously, those responsible for the damage (British Army and British Gypsum) paid for the damage.
- ii. Cllr Ling updated the PC following advice received from a neighbouring Parish. The advice stated that we must determine if the wall is in fact part of the church building. The church is a listed building so the listing should provide clarity on that. Resolved that Cllr Ling would look at the listing for the church.
- iii. LRALC advised that we may be responsible as we mow the grass on the churchyard. We also have historically contributed for the maintenance of the church clock.

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- iv. Questions were raised regarding the safety of the wall and whether or not the repair could be placed on hold until we have had more time to investigate matters and understand the extent of our obligations. Resolved that we would explore the options available to us and ensure that we have exhausted every avenue before we commit to taking on the cost for this repair. We will discuss this matter further at the extraordinary meeting of the council on 21<sup>st</sup> December which will hopefully allow us enough time to gather further information.

## 12. Clerk's Report

- i. Clerk reported back on the cemetery training course which was both informative and worthwhile.
- ii. Request from residents for another community Speed-Watch. Resolved that the Parish Council will support this.

## 13. Biodiversity

- i. Cllr Cooke advised that there is a Zoom meeting on Thurs this week during which it would be outlined in terms of which areas we wanted as wildflower verges. These will be marked out for June.
- ii. Cllr Cooke also advised that he is working on the bid for the shire grant.
- iii. The Parish Council wished to record thanks to Cllr Cooke for organising the bulb planting.

## 14. Christmas Tree

- i. Cllr Ling advised that Andy Wright has found some benefactors that are willing to donate a Christmas Tree for the village. The Parish Council wish to thank those that had contributed to the Christmas tree this year.
- ii. Cllrs were advised that Andy Wright is to forward the appropriate Risk Assessment.

## 15. To discuss any issues relating to either Sports Pavilion/Playing Fields/ Washdyke Lease.

- i. Cllr Sayce advised that we are approaching the finish line with the Washdyke Lease. There was an issue raised by the solicitors that the price we are paying moving forward is £635 instead of the current £450. Resolved that LT would see if we could find out when this cost increase was agreed.

## 16. Members' points of information

- i. Cllr Higgins advised that parishioners have heard that TruPlant have purchased land that they wish to utilise as a builder's yard. Resolved that Borough Councillor Jenny Boker would raise with the relevant parties.
- ii. Cllr McKean advised that a resident approached her to say that only half of the connecting East Road and Brook Street has been cut back. Resolved that this matter will be raised with Borough Cllr Boker. Further complaints have been received from Parishioners about a bin store blocking the jitty causing an obstruction too, which will be also be raised with Cllr Jenny Boker.

The meeting came to a close at 21:10

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