

SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION AT THE 16th MAY 2022 MEETING

Minutes of Hawton Parish Council held in the Parish Church of All Saints, Hawton on Monday, 21st February 2022 at 6.30pm.

Present: **Councillor T Pykett**
 Councillor D Adams
 Councillor Mrs K Adams
 Councillor K Sutton
 Councillor Mrs H Tyrer

Also present, County Councillor Mrs Saddington, District Councillor I Walker and sixteen members of the public

Invited guest from Urban & Civic; Kyle Smith, Communications, Communities & Partnerships

HPC21-063 Apologies for absence

There were none

HPC21-064 Presentation from Urban & Civic

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Kyle Smith, who had responsibility for Communications, Communities & Partnerships with Urban & Civic, the developers of Middlebeck. He would be providing an update on the development and the current position with the Southern Link Road.

Mr Smith spoke to a presentation, which would be shared with the Parish Council. If any resident wanted a copy they were asked to leave their email address at the end of the meeting. The Clerk would forward a copy to them for information.

Specific points mentioned were:

- Currently 375 families living on Middlebeck in Phase 1 of the development, which contained 599 properties. Countryside were still building on site, but the remaining homes would be built by Bellway.
- Projected sales of 0.7 house sales every week were being met.
- The school had been open since September 2021, and was being used as a community space too.
- No-one was yet in place to develop the employment area shown yellow on the plans.
- A cycle hub had been commissioned and designed and would be situated next to Gannets. Newark Cycles would deliver the service.
- Archaeology work will be undertaken.
- There will have to be some temporary closures of rights of way during the

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development of the roads, but there will be a formal process of consultation on these closures. The plan for the rights of way within the development were not yet defined.

- Urban & Civic will come back to the Parish Council on greenscaping.
- An ecology survey would be undertaken, with Urban & Civic working with consultant and also Sustrans
- The building of the road had originally been tied into a trigger, but with £20m funding coming forward from the Levelling Up fund it allowed it to be built earlier and in one go.

It was intended that Urban & Civic would come back to the Parish Council around May/June to present technical specifications for the road, together with a timeline and proposals for the green space.

The Chair suspended Standing Orders at 6.51pm to allow members of the public to ask questions. Should it not be possible to answer any questions raised, or questions were thought of after the meeting, then residents were asked to forward them to the Clerk who would liaise with Mr Smith for a response.

Questions raised which would be answered at the next meeting in May/June were:

What are the technical specifications for the road?

Will land at the South and West of the village be used as flood alleviation?

What were the plans for the car park next to the Church, which the Parish Council had previously asked to be gifted to the village?

When will the A46 roundabout be installed?

Answered questions:

What %age of housing was classed as 'affordable'?

This information could be found in the outline development plan online

When will the existing road be affected?

Possibly from July onwards. Vegetation clearing was taking place before bird nesting season.

When will the new road be complete?

Around 2024/25.

Councillor Mrs Saddington suggested that Urban & Civic needed to liaise with the County Council in terms of the archaeological survey, and also the changes to the Rights of Way. Contact information could be supplied by the Clerk if not already known.

Mr Smith asked that any further questions be channelled through the Clerk for a response.

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The Chair referred to a number of problems with fly tipping on Urban & Civic land. This led to a resident asking if there was any strategy in place for monitoring and clearing fly tipped rubbish as it was currently being removed by residents.

Mr Smith advised this had been raised with the project management team.

In terms of the car park, a resident expressed concern at the potential dangers in and around the area where the village hall was located (broken seat, septic tank covers). Mr Smith to investigate further.

In summary, Mr Smith confirmed at the May/June meeting the plan for the road would be available, and consultants on flooding and archaeology could also attend if that would be of interest.

The Chair thanked his thanks to Mr Smith for his presentation, and to all residents for attending.

HPC21-064 County Councillor Session

The Chair suspended the meeting at 7.15pm for Councillor Mrs Saddington's report.

On Wednesday, 23rd February, National Highways would be revealing the preferred route option for the A46 in advance to Parish Councils. The Clerk to forward details with the link to join.

The County Council were looking to move across to a Cabinet system, from a Committee system.

Budget setting would take place on Thursday, 24th February. It was expected that there would be an increase in the tax levied.

Problems had again been experienced by barrier failures along the Nottingham to Lincoln line. Councillor Mrs Saddington was actively seeking a solution from Network Rail. The Castle Crossing was now expected to be rectified in May.

The Tour of Britain would be in the County on 8th September. The route was not yet known.

Nottinghamshire Day would be held on 25th August, a commemorative event would be held at Newark Castle.

Councillor Mrs Saddington would be making a donation to the Parish Council for the Jubilee Celebrations from her Divisional Fund.

The Chair thanked Councillor Mrs Saddington for her report and reconvened the meeting at 7.28pm.

HPC21-065 District Councillor Session

The Chair suspended the meeting at 7.29pm to allow Councillor Walker to present his report.

Councillor Walker advised that Newark & Sherwood were also looking to move across to a Cabinet system from a Committee one.

Permission had been granted to convert the M&S building on Stodman Street into a 29 apartment block.

The IAASTI building had also been granted permission. This would be located on the site of the former Cattle Market.

The Chair thanked Councillor Walker for his report and reconvened the meeting at 7.35pm.

HPC21-066 Declarations of Interest

It was AGREED that any declarations of interest would be stated by Members as required during the meeting.

HPC21-067 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29th November 2021

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th November 2021 were accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

HPC21-068 Public 10 Minute Session

There were no questions raised.

HPC21-069 Nottinghamshire County Council

(a) **Consultation on the Draft Nottinghamshire & Nottingham Waste Local Plan**

Members noted the current consultation. The Clerk advised that no sites were contained within the plan at the moment.

(b) **Update on Local Communities fund Application**

This was progressing and the Clerk would keep Members informed during the process.

HPC21-070 Newark & Sherwood District Council

(a) **To note the approval of the Open Space Assessment and Strategy**

Members noted this had been adopted and was now part of policy.

(b) **Draft Criteria for Identifying Non-Designated Heritage Assets – Consultation**

Members considered that Hawton bridge could be included as a non-designated heritage asset, and also the redoubt.

HPC21-071 Financial Matters

- (a) To consider accounts for payments:
Members considered and AGREED the following accounts for payment:
- Wordprint Ltd - £10 – Leaflet Printing
 - Geoff Wells - £44 – Village Gathering
- (b) To note any receipts:
- There were none.
- (c) To Note the Council's Financial Position as at 31st January 2022
Members noted the Council's financial position as at 31st January 2022, with a balance of £50,875.29 in the account.

HPC21-072 Parish Council Matters

- (a) Site Visit to Solar Farm
The Clerk advised that, following a chase, a date of Saturday, 26th February had been offered. Members considered this was too soon and asked for a date late March to be sourced.
- (b) To note the meeting held regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee – June 2022 and proposals to commemorate
Councillor Mrs Adams referred to the meeting held with residents and the Clerk to progress arrangements for a Jubilee celebration in the village.
- After discussion, a single event on Saturday, 4th June was agreed.
- Confirmed arrangements to be brought back to the April meeting, but a celebration in the form of a street party, either in Church or outside to be held. Delegated authority was given to Councillor Mrs Adams and the Clerk to progress the event, with any expenditure up to the sum of £500 to be ratified at the April meeting.
- (c) Update from Cllr Sutton on litter bins and seats
Councillor Sutton advised this was progressing.
- (d) To note the date of the Newark Half Marathon
Members noted that the Newark Half Marathon would be held on Sunday, 14th August 2022 starting at 9.30am on Hawton Road. Further information will be communicated to the Parish Council in due course on how this will affect the village.

HPC21-073 Planning

- (a) 21/02601/FUL – 4 Elbow Cottages, Newark Road, Hawton – Single storey rear extension (resubmission of 21/02015/HOUSE)
Members received and noted the application and raised no objection to the development as outlined.

HPC21-074 Correspondence
There was none to note.

HPC21-75 To Receive Items for Notification
The Chair referred to the problems with the fly tipping on land owned by Urban & Civic.

The Clerk advised that Rights of Way would need to be contacted if any barrier was placed across the path.

HPC21-076 Date of Next Meeting
To be confirmed

The meeting closed at 8pm