

**Gaddesby Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall**  
**on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019, commencing at 7.02 pm.**

**Councillors Present**

Mrs Jenny Hurst – Chair  
 Mr Gary Fox – Vice-Chair  
 Mr John Simon

Mrs Pat Walton  
 Mr Gordon Bigam  
 Mr Simon Hargrave

Mrs Trudy Toon – Clerk to the Council  
 Mr and Mrs Kent – Barsby parishioners

**Action**

**Apologies** – Apologies were received from Borough Councillor Mrs Janet Simpson.

**Parishioner/Public Time**

Parishioners, Mr and Mrs Kent attended the meeting for observation purposes.

**Minutes** – Minutes of the previous meeting no's 2018/2019 68-72, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed.

**Matters Arising**

1. **Weakened Carriageway from Barsby crossroads to South Croxton crossroads** – An email had been received from Mr Colin Marsden, Assistant Engineer at LCC, to advise that it is the intention of the LCC Structures Team to monitor the site for any future deterioration.
2. **Neighbourhood Development Plan** – A draft copy of the Neighbourhood Development Plan was circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting by Councillor Simon. Councillor Simon advised that some amendments would be necessary. Following which, GPC would be required to consider the Plan so that it could be submitted to MBC in draft form. Councillor Simon explained to Councillors some of the details involved in the production and processes of the Plan. Councillors approved the current draft copy of the Plan.
3. **Gaddesby Children's Play Area : Moss on the MUGA surface** - The moss on the MUGA surface had yet to be treated.  
 Mr Peter Hacker of E-Sports UK Limited telephoned the Clerk to ask if GPC would be interested in having the surface of the MUGA pressure washed and treated for moss growth? The cost for which would be £550.00 plus VAT. (As per the quotation provided back in 2016). Councillors were in favour of having the moss professionally treated but asked the Clerk to clarify with Mr Hacker the exact process which would be used to kill and prevent regrowth of the moss and to enquire if the treatment would be safe for human contact. As Mr Hacker was hoping to carry out the work towards the end of March, the Clerk would liaise with Councillors via email.
4. **Gaddesby Lane, Barsby** – Nothing to report.

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**Matters Arising cont.**

5. **PAYE/Payroll for Clerk** – A response had yet to be received from HMRC.
6. **Water Leak, Baggrave End, Barsby** – The Clerk understood, from Severn Trent Water, that the water leak was situated within a private driveway or dwelling and that they were currently liaising with the homeowner with a view to having the leak repaired.
7. **Private Firework Displays/Parties within the Parish** – The Clerk forwarded a notice to Mr Vic Allsop at the benefice office for inclusion in ‘The Bridge’ asking parishioners to display a notice on their relevant notice board if they were planning to hold a firework display/party. It was noted that the notice had not been included in the March edition of ‘The Bridge’. The Clerk was asked to re-send the notice and to request that it is included in the April edition.
8. **Highway Parking near to the Cheney Arms Public House, Gaddesby** – Councillor Fox reported that he had taken some photographs to forward to PC Jon Barlow as evidence of the dangerous and inconsiderate parking. Councillor Fox asked Councillors to take photographs and forward them to him, if they see any dangerous and inconsiderate parking within the Parish. Councillor Fox would then forward them to PC Barlow.
9. **LED Lighting** – Mr Ernie Roberts, the Estimator for Highways Delivery at LCC, provided GPC with the LED conversion and pay back costs for the street light columns within the Parish. This being a total of: £16,694.03 plus VAT. An administration fee of £200.33 plus an interest fee of £1001.64 would also be charged. Therefore, the annual pay back costs over five years would be £3,539.13. Following discussion, some Councillors wished to pursue the matter further and asked the Clerk to make enquiries with MBC to ask if it would be possible to replace the existing light bulbs with LED bulbs within a conservation area? It had been brought to the attention of GPC that a street light column, which is situated half way along Park Hill, Gaddesby was corroded at the bottom and maybe required attention. Councillors would look at the column when passing.
10. **Community Active and Rural Enterprise (CARE)** – Councillor Hurst attended the CARE ‘Open Event’ on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall. Councillor Hurst reported that the purpose of the evening was to look at the provision of care within the community. Councillor Hurst advised that the following points were discussed:
- How to improve the current provision of care.
  - Local groups – current village practices formalised - voluntary.
  - Care delivered within smaller areas – costed.
  - Possibly looking to Parish Councils for funding and organisation.
- Councillor Hurst reported that the meeting was not very well attended and that a future meeting arranged for Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 had been postponed.
11. **Overgrown Tree/Leaning Street Light Column, The Cottage, 5 Chapel Lane, Gaddesby** – The Clerk had written to Mrs Ross-Wilson of Barsby to ask if they could arrange to have the overgrown tree trimmed back. Mrs Ross-Wilson advised the Clerk that this would be dealt with as soon as possible.

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**Correspondence**

Correspondence was either emailed or made available to Councillors as necessary.

**Planning Matters**

**a. 44 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr and Mrs Underwood for a proposed single storey rear extension to the existing property. Councillors resolved to support the application.

Clerk

**b. ‘Penlan’, 21 Baggrave End, Barsby** – Application submitted by Mr Cassa Miller of David Miller Homes for the proposed demolition of the existing dwelling, the erection of a replacement dwelling, the demolition of outbuildings/farm buildings and the erection of three dwellings, alterations to access, the provision of parking and associated works. Notification had been received from MBC that additional information had been received in relation to the application.

Clerk

Following discussion, Councillors agreed that the previous comments submitted to MBC still applied. In addition, the Clerk was asked to draw to the attention of MBC the following:

The additional information (report) states that there are ‘only four properties’ accessed from the Lane beyond ‘Penlan’. Where in fact a working farm is situated at the top end of Baggrave End past the entrance to the site. Farm machinery uses Baggrave End on a regular daily basis.

Councillor Simon declared an interest in the following application.

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**c. Land adjacent to 7 Ashby Road, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr K Watson for the proposed construction of a residential development of nine dwellings (two and one and a half storey houses).

Notification had been received from MBC that amended plans had been received in relation to the application.

Following discussion, Councillors agreed that the previous comments submitted to MBC still applied. However, it was noted that the number of dwellings has been reduced from nine to eight.

**d. 8 Pasture Lane, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mrs Wendy Sutton for a proposed extension to the rear of the dwelling and loft conversion with new elevational treatment.

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Notification had been received from MBC that amended plans had been received in relation to the application.

Councillors resolved to support the amendments.

**MBC Planning Officer/Independent Planning Agent:**

Clerk

The Clerk again emailed Ms Kieran Stockley, the Principal Solicitor at MBC to raise the concerns of GPC - would it be considered appropriate for Mr Joe Mitson to be working as an independent planning agent as well as a Planning Officer for MBC?

A reply had yet to be received from Ms Stockley. As the query had remained unanswered for a number of weeks, the Clerk was asked to forward the email to County Councillor Orson to ask him if he could request a response from MBC.

## **Planning Decisions**

- a. Land to the North of Pasture Lane, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr Robert Fionda of Fairyhill Limited for outline planning approval for the proposed construction of eleven dwellings, has been granted permission by MBC.
- b. Field OS 8900, Folville Street, Ashby Folville** – Application submitted by Mr Joe Mitson (GHM Planning Limited), on behalf of Mr and Mrs Carduss for the proposed erection of two single storey dwellings, has been granted planning permission by MBC.
- c. The Manor, 12 Folville Street, Ashby Folville** – Application submitted by Mr Lewis for the proposed erection of a residential outbuilding comprising garaging and ancillary leisure facilities following the demolition of the existing garage, creation of a courtyard and associated alterations within the curtilage of a listed building, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

## **Representative Reports**

**1. Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall** – Further to last month's report, Councillor Walton reported that the 'Race Night' held on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019 raised just over £700.00, which would be donated to the Parish Hall and that a Quiz Night would be held in the Hall on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019, where proceeds would be donated to St Mary's Church, Ashby Folville.

Councillor Walton advised that the committee agreed that the gents toilets should be refurbished; quotations would be obtained from local plumbers.

**2. Barsby Village Hall Green** – Councillor Hurst reported that, during the strong winds of the last week, three branches had broken off the cherry tree which is situated on the Green.

**3. Gaddesby Village Hall** – Correspondence would not be expected from Gaddesby Village Hall in the future.

## **Finance**

### **Accounts paid since the last meeting:**

Mr Octavian Morris ('Tave and his Tools') – Installation of two new benches at the Gaddesby Children's Play Area, total £90.00.

### **Accounts for payment:**

Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall – Hire of Hall, 6 meetings @ £16.00 each, total £96.00.

Gaddesby Village Hall – Hire of Hall, 5 meetings @ £16.00 each, total £80.00.

St. Mary's Ashby Folville PCC – Churchyard maintenance grant, total £75.00.

St. Luke's Gaddesby PCC – Churchyard maintenance grant, total £75.00.

Barsby Village Hall Green – Green maintenance grant, total £75.00.

Yourlocale Limited – Development of the Gaddesby Parish Neighbourhood Plan, £2000.00 plus 20% VAT £400.00, total £2,400.00

### **Payments Received:**

None.

**Finance cont.****Estimated Balances:**

Barclays Bank Business Premium Account: £12,546.57.

Barclays Bank Community Account: £3,048.39.

The latest bank statements were made available for Councillors.

**Transfer of Funds:**

Councillors agreed that £3,000.00 should be transferred from the Business Premium Account into the Community Account; the Clerk was asked to carry out this transaction.

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**Other Business**

**1. Melton to Leicester 100 Bus Service** – It had been noted in a recent edition of the Leicester Mercury, that the Melton to Leicester 100 Bus Service would be reviewed in April 2019. It was understood that the service remained at risk of being discontinued.

**2. Bright Light, Mobile phone Cabin, Great Dalby Road, Ashby Folville** – It had been brought to the attention of GPC that a bright light remained permanently switched on, on the mobile phone cabin which is situated on Great Dalby Road, Ashby Folville. The Clerk was asked to find out if there was a number located on the cabin, to telephone them to report the bright light and to ask for it to be switched off, as it is considered a traffic hazard.

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**Arrangements for the next meeting –**

Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at Gaddesby Village Hall, commencing at 6.45 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Chair.