

Gaddesby Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Gaddesby Village Hall
on Monday, 9th March 2020, commencing at 6.52 pm.

Councillors Present

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

Mr Gordon Bigam

Mrs Trudy Toon – Clerk to the Council

Action

Apologies – Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Pat Walton and Mr John Simon and Borough Councillor Mr Robert Child.

Parishioner/Public Time

There were no parishioners present.

Minutes – Minutes of the previous meeting no's 2019/2020 65-68, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed.

Matters Arising

1. **Councillor Vacancy** – The vacancy for a Gaddesby Councillor continued to be advertised on the village notice boards.
2. **Neighbourhood Development Plan** – Notification had been received from Councillor Simon that the Gaddesby Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan had been submitted to MBC on Friday, 6th March 2020. The documents were available to view on the Gaddesby village website and on the relevant section of the Leicestershire Communities website: www.leicestershirecommunities.org.uk/np/gaddesbypnp.html The documents would be validated by MBC. Following which a six-week consultation would take place. All comments received would be passed to an independent examiner who is appointed by MBC. The Plan would then be subject to a Parish Referendum.
3. **Gaddesby Children's Play Area : Tree Root** – Councillor Simon confirmed in writing that an arboreal expert's report had been provided by Mr John Booth; this was circulated to all Councillors. The report concluded that the damage to the MUGA surface had been caused by the poplar tree roots, situated within the property/garden belonging to Mr and Mrs Lockwood. The GPC insurers' solicitors would draft a letter, prior to action being taken and the insurers funding the proceedings.

Matters Arising cont.

- 4. Dalby Road, Ashby Folville/Gaddesby Lane, Barsby**– The Clerk has emailed, several times, LCC Highways Department to report the poor condition of the carriageway at Dalby Road, Ashby Folville. With the main area of concern being near to the brook bridge before entering Ashby Folville village. Rain water, grit and mud wash down the hill towards the bridge, making the area before the bridge very gritty and generally in poor condition.

Notification has been received from LCC, Highways Department that Gaddesby Lane, Barsby and Main Street, Barsby would be closed on Thursday, 12th March 2020, for one day only, in order to undertake carriageway re-texturing.

- 5. Overgrown Ash Tree, Gaddesby Lane, Barsby** – Nothing to report.
- 6. Clerk’s Contract of Employment** – The Clerk’s Contract of Employment has been amended and finalised by Councillor Fox and has been approved by the Clerk. The document would be filed for future reference.
- 7. Additional Street Nameplates, Baggrave End, Barsby, LE7 4RB and Church Lane, Barsby, LE7 4RF** – The Clerk emailed MBC to ask if it would be possible to install a ‘Church Lane’ street nameplate on the small piece of green, near to the street light column in Barsby. Ms Jodie Farlow at MBC advised that the grounds maintenance team visited the site and confirmed that additional street nameplates would be ordered and installed for both Baggrave End and Church Lane, Barsby.
- 8. Extension of 30 mph Speed Limit Traffic Signs, Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby** – An email had been received from Mr Zubair Novsarka, Senior Technician, Traffic and Signals at LCC. The email advised that LCC follow the guidance set out by the Department for Transport and that whilst they value the idea of introducing a 40mph buffer zone upon entry into the village, the national guidance states on single carriageway roads within a rural environment, 40mph speed limits are appropriate where there are many bends, junctions or accesses, substantial development, a strong environmental or landscape reason or where there are considerable numbers of vulnerable road users. With minimal development upon entry and few accesses upon entry to the village, an intermediate speed limit of 40mph would not be appropriate and may lead to non-compliance because nothing in the environment has changed to influence their behaviour. For this reason, an extension of the 30mph speed limit to outside the village boundary would not be considered by LCC.
- 9. Development of Land at Holme Farm, Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby, LE7 4XE** – The Clerk reported that Councillor Simon had spoken with Mr Zubair Novsarka at LCC and that Mr Novsarka referred the matter of traffic calming signage near to the development of land at Holme Farm, Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby to Development Control at MBC. In the meantime the MBC Case Officer, Mr Joe Mitson, referred the matter to LCC, Highways Department. Due to the lack of clarity, the Clerk was asked to contact Borough Councillor Mr Robert Child to ask for guidance on how to take the matter forward.

Clerk

Matters Arising cont.

10. Cattle Warning Sign, Ashby Road, Barsby, LE7 4RA – As requested the Clerk emailed LCC, Highways Department to report that the ‘beware cattle’ warning sign on Ashby Road, Barsby had been removed and that the remaining post was no longer required. Councillors were pleased to note that LCC had removed the post.

Correspondence

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

Planning Matters

a. Pine House, 4 Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby, LE7 4XE – Application submitted by Mr and Mrs Milward, for outline planning permission, for the proposed erection of two, one and a half storey dwellings with access off Rearsby Lane via an existing access. Councillors resolved to support the application.

Clerk

b. ‘Westmorland’, 28 Main Street, Gaddesby, LE7 4WG – Application submitted by Mr Neil Roberts for a proposed single storey rear extension to the existing dwelling. Councillors resolved to support the application.

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Planning Decisions

a. Walnut Tree Farm, 17 Main Street, Barsby, LE7 4RH – Application submitted by Mr James Troop for the proposed erection of a new dwelling has been granted planning permission by MBC.

b. Rose Cottage, 16 Baggrave End, Barsby, LE7 4RB – Application submitted by Mr Alan Palmer and Mrs Ann Hefford for the proposed demolition of the existing dwelling and the erection of a replacement dwelling, the demolition of outbuildings and the erection of a single storey dwelling. The erection of two garages/carports, has been refused planning permission by MBC.

c. Park House Cottage, 12 Ashby Road, Gaddesby, LE7 4WF – Application submitted by Mrs C Embry for the proposed erection of a new dwelling on land adjacent to 12 Ashby Road and the removal of a timber shed, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

d. The Rowans, 8 Highfield End, Ashby Folville, LE14 2TP – Application submitted by Isabelle Nowicki for a proposed single storey side extension to involve the demolition of a garage and car port, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

e. The Manor, 12 Folville Street, Ashby Folville, LE14 2TE – Applications submitted by Mr Jamie Lewis for the proposed erection of a balustrade around the hardstanding to replicate the original, has been granted full planning permission and listed building consent by MBC.

f. 40 Paske Avenue, Gaddesby, LE7 4WJ – Application submitted by Mr Oliver Adams for a proposed rear single storey extension, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

Representative Reports

1. Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall – Nothing to report in the absence of Councillor Walton.

2. Barsby Village Hall Green – Councillor Hurst reported that a spring committee meeting would be held later this month in order to plan future events.

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

None.

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, 7 meetings @ £16.00 each, total £112.00.

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.

Payments Received:

None.

Estimated Balances:

Barclays Bank Business Premium Account: £8,069.87.

Barclays Bank Community Account: £1,901.73.

The latest bank statements were made available for Councillors.

Other Business**1. Bright Light, Mobile Phone Cabin, Great Dalby Road, Ashby Folville, LE14 2TU**

– It had been brought to the attention of GPC that the 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 telephone the mobile phone company to report the bright light and to ask if they could arrange for it to be switched off, as it is considered a traffic hazard.

Clerk

2. Street Light Out : Walnut Tree Farm, Main Street, Barsby, LE7 4RH

– It had been brought to the attention of GPC that the street light, situated outside Walnut Tree Farm, Main Street, Barsby was out. The Clerk was asked to report the matter to E.ON.

Clerk

3. Discarded Broken Sign, Gaddesby Lane, Ashby Folville, LE14 2TG

– It had been brought to the attention of GPC that a temporary broken sign belonging to LCC, Highways Department had been left on the highway verge on Gaddesby Lane, Ashby Folville near to The Lodge. The Clerk was asked to report the matter to LCC, Highways Department.

Clerk

Arrangements for the next meeting –

Monday, 6th April 2020 at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall, commencing at 6.45 pm.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

Chair.