

Minutes of the Meeting of **Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council**  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.15pm in **Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Rd**

**Members Present:** Gary Arkless (Chair), Janet Hackett, Geoff Prett & Alun Owen

**In attendance:** Julia Barnes (Clerk)

Due to high levels of Coronavirus in the community it is recommended at this time to work from home where possible. However, the Government has not reinstated the legal power for Parish Councils to meet remotely. Rushcliffe Borough Council request that a precept amount is approved before 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022. The Agenda for January '22 meeting was written with this in mind with the primary aim of satisfying this legal requirement to approve the precept. All non-essential Agenda items have been removed thus minimising the amount of time the meeting will take. Three Parish Councillors constitutes a quorate meeting.

#### **5652. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Stacey sent her apologies due to Covid concerns.

Cllr Tisbury sent his apologies due to Covid concerns.

Cllr Jones sent his apologies due to Covid concerns.

Cllr Mason sent his apologies due to ill health.

Cllr Griffiths sent her apologies due to Covid concerns. Cllr Griffiths noted if quorum were not met, and therefore social distancing would be much greater, she would attend.

Cllr Bancroft was not present. No apologies were received.

County Cllr Upton sent his apologies due to the short agenda because of Covid. He sent a County Update.

Borough Cllr Wheeler sent his apologies due to Covid isolation. He sent a District Update.

#### **5653. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Arkless declared an interest in Planning Application 22/00022/FUL Mr Alan Nightingale as he is a friend. Cllr Arkless abstained from any decision making on this application. This application came in before the meeting but after the Agenda had been issued.

#### **5654. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

No changes were proposed to the order of business.

#### **5655. MINUTES**

**TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING of the PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021**

Cllr Prett noted that references to Nottinghamshire County Council should be consistent. Also that Borough Cllr Wheeler's note to the Clerk at the end of his report should not form part of the Minutes.

Subject to these amendments Cllr Prett proposed and Cllr Hackett seconded the motion that the Minutes be approved. Vote was taken, unanimously in favour. Cllr Arkless abstained as he was not present at the November '21 Parish Council meeting.

**Cllr Arkless to upload November '21 Minutes to the HP&G PC website.**

**5656. PLANNING**

- i) 20/03244/OUT Land East of Gamston & North of Tollerton Lane

No further updates at this time.

- ii) 21/02297/FUL Mr Robert Cook Demolition and replacement of corner walls and fence with new fence; Demolition of shed; New Lean-to shed. 3 Cumbria Grange, Gamston, Nottinghamshire, NG2 6LZ.

*Deadline for comment : Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January '22*

Parish Council Response : OBJECT

Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council continue to object to this revised application on the grounds previously stated on 30th September 2021.

The revised plans reduce the fence height to 1.8m which is welcomed but it is still located at the back of pavement creating a corridor effect. Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council oppose this approach to build out to the highway.

Although only one tree is now proposed to be removed, which again is welcomed, the planting negating the removal of the tree is within the garden area and very small scale by comparison.

- iii) 21/03181/FUL Mr Joel Swindin Re-modelling of existing roof from hip to gable ends, construction of rear box dormer, single storey rear/side extension and replacement/alteration of existing front dormer. Extension to existing raised rear patio. 35 Adbolton Grove West Bridgford Nottingham Nottinghamshire NG2 5AR

*Deadline for comment : Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January '22*

To be reallocated as applicant is a friend of Cllr Griffiths so she is unable to assess.

- iv) 21/03108/FUL Danielle Ford Single storey side extension, single storey rear extension, loft conversion with 2 no. roof lights to the front and 1 no. rear box dormer (Resubmission of 21/02635/FUL). 14 Bampton Court, Gamston, Nottinghamshire, NG2 6PA.

*Deadline for comment : Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January '22*

Parish Council Response : OBJECT

Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council objection relates to the storage of the grey, blue and green waste bins. In our opinion the proposed development does not comply with 'The Building Regulations part H Drainage and waste disposal' with respect to the location and management of the grey, blue and green waste bins.

- v) 22/00022/FUL Mr Allan Nightingale Single storey rear extension 15 Old Tollerton Road Gamston Nottingham Nottinghamshire NG2 6NX

*Deadline for comment : Friday 28th January '22*

Parish Council Response : DO NOT OBJECT

Reasonably sized extension that extends into an already small garden. From the ground plan, it looks unlikely to impinge on any of the neighbouring properties so the only concern would be the loss of ground drainage and this may set a precedent for the other two bungalows on this part of the road which appear to have the same layout. On balance recommend Do Not Object.

### ***Proposed Drive-thru Coffee Shop - Radcliffe Road, Holme Pierrepont***

Clerk explained that she had replied as follows to the Planners regarding a pre-planning prospective development on Radcliffe Road.

*'The agreed consensus from the Parish Councillors is that Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council would object to this development for several reasons. Comments are collated below.*

- *A Starbucks drive through if used as heavily as hoped would increase the number of vehicles emerging onto the A52 substantially. Anyone who has ever used this exit knows that you take your life into your hands when doing so.*
- *The development is only 2 miles from West Bridgford and all its facilities. Local people are unlikely to use the drive-thru because of the dangerous exit and the fact that you cannot return easily to West Bridgford.*

- *Users of the Starbucks are going to be transient people travelling around the Lings Bar and towards A46 or Grantham. These people will have no idea how dangerous exiting onto the A52 from this location will be.*
- *This proposed development would add nothing to our parish. There may be a handful of jobs and perhaps local cyclists will visit it, but ultimately it will make the A52 more dangerous.*
- *This is already a dangerous stretch of road. <https://westbridgfordwire.com/woman-dies-after-collision-on-the-a52-radcliffe-road/>*

*I'm not sure there would be any benefit in a meeting to further discuss the detail of the proposed scheme as this cannot address the objections regarding safety and the fact that the exit would be onto a stretch of road with traffic potentially moving at 70mph. '*

## **5657. FINANCE**

### *Financial Statements & Payments for Approval*

Clerk issued all Cllrs with copies of the month's financial transactions and details of payments.

**Cllrs Arkless & Stacey kindly agreed to sign off and authorise month's payments online.**

**Clerk to scan and forward details of month's invoices to Cllrs Arkless & Stacey in order for them to sign off and authorise the month's payments online.**

### *2022/2023 Financial Year – Discussion and Sign Off Precept Request*

Cllrs discussed the draft Precept Request and Clerk explained the assumptions she had made to arrive at the suggested figure. After discussion, a precept request amount of £37, 450 was agreed. Cllr Arkless proposed and Cllr Hackett seconded the motion that this precept amount be requested. Vote taken, unanimously in favour. Motion carried.

**Clerk to submit precept request documentation to RBC by the deadline date of 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022.**

### *Employee Wage Review*

Clerk reiterated email correspondence to Councillors that as per Minute 4648. Dec 2014 each year on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan Parish Clerk's wages to move one SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) recommended spine point, so from 30 to 31. This equates to a 2.75% or 47p increase per hour. Bookings Clerk pay increase of 30p to £10.75 per hour equates to 2.9% increase. This has been previously agreed by majority of Councillors via email. Cllr Arkless suggested and proposed the motion that Clerk's wages increase by the same percentage as Bookings Clerk wages, by 2.9% (an extra

0.15%). Cllr Owen seconded the motion. Vote taken. Unanimously in favour. Motion carried.

Clerk explained that there is often a nationally agreed SLCC pay review that takes place in April but there had been no April increase during the pandemic. Meeting agreed to revisit Clerk wages in April '22 when any national review amount would be known.

#### **5658. CLERKS REPORT**

Clerk explained that the items that had been removed from the January '22 Agenda would be reintroduced in February '22.

Clerk noted that the Bookings Clerk had handed her notice in to accept a position that offered her many more hours per week. An advertisement for her role had been circulated via the local Facebook group and five applications have been received so far.

Cllr Arkless suggested that a card and flowers be arranged for the Bookings Clerk when she leaves in February for around £50. Meeting agreed. Clerk to arrange.

Cllr Arkless mentioned that the works had started on A52 to re-site the gas main. Lanes have been narrowed and it is anticipated that there will be disruption for a number of months.

#### **5659. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022** at **7.15pm** in **Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Road.**

**The meeting ended at approximately 8.05pm.**