Minutes of the Meeting of **Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council** Monday 8th July 2024 at 7.15pm in **St Edmund's Church, Holme Pierrepont**

Members Present: Cynthia Stacey, John Mason, Janet Hackett (Acting Chair), Geoff Prett, Alun Owen & Richard Fairgrieve

In attendance: Julia Barnes (Parish Clerk), Borough Cllr Jonathan Wheeler, Revd Dr Jonathan Mole & Curate Kristina Mole

6052. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Hackett addressed the meeting as the Acting Chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Cllr Tisbury sent his apologies due to being away on holiday.

Cllr Ubhi sent her apologies due to being away on holiday.

County Cllr Upton sent his apologies due to a clash with another meeting.

Borough Cllr Virdi sent his apologies due to a clash with another meeting.

6053. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

6054. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Proposed possible deferment of agenda items pertaining to Borough Cllr Wheeler until his arrival.

6055. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Revd Dr Jonathan Mole and his wife Curate Kristina Mole, both from St Edmund's Church, Holme Pierrepont, spoke to the meeting. Dr Mole explained that he and Kristina had four daughters and that he had been ordained five years ago. Kristina more recently has become a curate. Both thanked the Parish Council for their support in maintaining the church grounds that are kept in beautiful order throughout the year. Revd Dr Mole spoke about the recent barbeque event held in Holme Pierrepont and explained that they hoped to create more opportunities for the community to join together as a catalyst for community engagement.

Revd Dr Mole spoke about the range of church services held at St Edmunds on a weekly basis and the new Sanctuary service offering a quiet space for younger people to worship.

Both thanked the Parish Council on behalf of the local residents for all the valuable work they do and then gave their apologies for leaving the meeting early as they had another meeting to attend.

7.22pm Revd Dr Jonathan Mole & Curate Kristina Mole left the meeting.

6056. MINUTES

TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING of the PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 10th JUNE 2024

Cllr Prett proposed, and Cllr Stacey seconded the motion that the Minutes be approved. Vote was taken, unanimously in favour. Cllrs Owen and Fairgrieve abstained as they were not present at the June '24 Parish Council Meeting. Motion carried and Minutes were adopted.

Cllr Fairgrieve to upload June '24 Parish Council Meeting Minutes to the HP&G PC website.

6057. PLANNING

i) 24/00758/FUL Luca Romano Two storey side extension; single storey rear extension; creation of car standing. 12 Bampton Court, Gamston, Nottinghamshire, NG2 6PA.

Deadline for comment : Wednesday 10th July '24

Cllr Fairgrieve reviewed the revisions to the original application and considered that they clarified and addressed concerns raised and improved the overall application without making substantial changes. Recommendation no change to our original response of DO NOT OBJECT. Meeting agreed.

Clerk to submit response to the online RBC planning portal on behalf of the Parish Council before the deadline date.

ii) 24/01060/FUL Danielle Ford Conversion of garage into bedroom for annex. Rosedene, Main Street, Gamston, Nottinghamshire, NG2 6NN.

Deadline for comment : Thursday 11th July '24

Cllr Owen assessed this application and noted that neither the footprint nor roofline of the existing building were affected by this application, or the relationship of the annex to existing buildings, and therefore recommended a response of DO NOT OBJECT. Meeting agreed.

Clerk to submit response to the online RBC planning portal on behalf of the Parish Council before the deadline date.

iii) 24/01069/VAR Mr Mohammed Danesh-Manesh Variation of condition 1 (plans) for 22/0135/FUL in order to increase the shutter width from

2.9m to 4.5m. Springfields, Radcliffe Road, Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire, NG12 2LF.

Deadline for comment : Friday 12th July '24

Cllr Prett assessed this application and explained that the paperwork is confusing, and it is not readily apparent where the shutter is situated, and the width of the shutter is not stated on the drawings. However, the variation is innocuous and therefore recommendation is DO NOT OBJECT. Meeting agreed.

Clerk to submit response to the online RBC planning portal on behalf of the Parish Council before the deadline date.

6058. VILLAGE HALL

Monthly Update

Clerk read out the Bookings Clerk monthly Village Hall update.

'All is well at the hall. I am going to try to organise the window cleaner to come over in the next few weeks and hopefully for me to get in during the summer to give the kitchen a deep clean. I cleaned the fridge out last weekend.

Parties over the next few weeks:

Saturday 13thJuly, Sunday 21st, Friday 26th, Saturday 27th, Saturday 10th August.

Over the summer we have Clay Creators back and Sanar Yoga (Thursday evenings) is holding some workshop evenings too.

Clay Creators dates:

31st July, 7th & 9th August, 13th, 14th & 16th August and 28th August. Sanar dates (Tuesday evenings): 23rd & 30th July, 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th August – (6:30-8:30pm)

Also, we are currently storing 2 extra large wooden polling booths awaiting collection, hopefully sometime soon.'

Cllr Prett noted that Bookings Clerk deep clean of the Village Hall should be paid as overtime. Clerk said that she would ask Bookings Clerk to keep a note of extra hours deep cleaning.

Main Street Signage

Clerk told the meeting that she had taken delivery of the signage for Carolyn Kearton's wall and Cllr Tisbury had agreed to liaise with Carolyn to affix.

Cllr Tisbury to liaise with Carolyn Kearton regarding fixing parking signage to her outer wall.

Clerk still to check insurance policy regarding liability for accidents if the large Village Hall gates are accessible to hall hirers via a key stored in an outdoor keypad.

Concrete drop bolt base still to be created in order to prop open large Village Hall gates.

Handy Person

Clerk told the meeting that a replacement for David Litchfield had still not been found. Cllr Stacey explained that she had spoken with all neighbouring Parish Councils, and none had any contacts that we would be able to utilise, in fact some had asked if we found someone could we share our details with them.

Cllr Stacey explained that she had another idea for a handy person and would report back to the next meeting.

Clerk explained that an advertorial for a local handy person had been created to be published in the Summer '24 Parish Newsletter

Clerk and Bookings Clerk still to arrange washing of the curtains at a launderette at a convenient time.

Village Hall decking and balustrade still to be cleaned of green algae.

6059. PLAY PARK

New Equipment Update

Clerk explained that the new equipment had arrived earlier than expected and installation had begun today and should be completed within the next two weeks.

Grant Applications Update

Clerk explained that an outcome of our application for £20k capital funding from the Nottinghamshire County Council Local Communities Fund was still pending.

Clerk explained that the possible introduction of our own Adult Safeguarding Policy, Child Safeguarding Policy, Equality Policy and Health & Safety Policy awaited the outcome of the NCC LCF application.

Annual Independent Inspection

Clerk explained that the Play Inspection Company had carried out their independent assessment of our equipment and forwarded their report. No urgent issues were identified but a number of low-level issues are to be reviewed over the following year.

Discussion took place regarding the financing of future repairs to the existing play park equipment. The play park is in remarkably good condition for its' age having been installed almost 20 years ago. It was decided that during the budgeting process for the '25/'26 precept request an extra amount should be ringfenced for ongoing play park repairs, the amount to be agreed during the budgeting process.

Clerk to add extra Play Park Repairs budget amount to the '25/'26 precept request.

MUGA Annual Maintenance

Clerk explained that Bingham Ground Services Ltd had carried out the MUGA weed treatment, mechanical brushing and sand treatment last week.

Clerk still to ensure seating available for dog owners with children to rest outside the Play Park area is included in the scope for Phase 2 of the Play Park Enhancements project.

Quotations still to be obtained for the paving work required to the Millennium Garden at Holme Pierrepont.

6060. COUNCILLOR UPDATES

Summer Play Day – Wednesday 21st August '24

Cllr Stacey explained that everything was in place for the 'Sports For All' Summer Play Day and looked forward to a great event with the support of all Cllrs.

Holme Lane

Cllr Owen updated the meeting on progress and explained that he had been in contact with Steph Walford, VIA Highways Improvements Co-Ordinator, who confirmed that the next phase of consultation was taking place now, but further developments were a number of weeks away.

8.15pm Borough Cllr Wheeler arrived at the meeting.

Summer Newsletter

Cllr Owen explained that he had met with the Parish Clerk and Susan Toon to plan the Summer Newsletter and confirmed there were sufficient articles. The newsletter is currently being produced and due for issue at the start of August '24.

Cllr Hackett spoke about the possibility of capturing some local history by interviewing Eric the oldest resident in the area to ask about his memories of the past. Cllr Prett offered to look for a tape recorder.

Cllr Hackett to arrange interview with Eric, local resident.

Cllr Prett to check if he still has a tape recorder.

Metal Bench Enhancements

Cllr Fairgrieve to report back to the Parish Council at some point regarding possible enhancements to the metal benches.

Cllr Owen to review and update the Parish Council Management Plan document, including 2021 Census data.

6061. COUNTY REPORT

County Cllr Upton forwarded a message confirming there are no significant County Council issues affecting our Parish to report.

6062. DISTRICT REPORT

Borough Cllr Wheeler spoke about the 'Rushcliffe Residents Survey' that had recently gone live and encouraged everyone to fill it in and spread the word.

Cllr Wheeler noted that the Proms in the Park event this year had attracted a record crowd of around 8 thousand people and hoped that the upcoming Taste of Rushcliffe and Lark in the Park events were also successful.

Cllr Wheeler spoke about the work St Luke's Church were doing across the area including a day of action where they provided free car washing and working on clearing rubbish from the canal. Cllr Wheeler mentioned the space at the church previously used by Leahurst Road Pre-School, being available to hire.

Cllr Wheeler spoke about the recent government announcement regarding green belt housing development, and the possible impact on our area. Cllr Wheeler noted the need to hold off development in our area until an holistic masterplan was created and agreed, whilst complying to any new planning laws.

Cllr Wheeler explained that across the county a lot of funds were utilised adapting houses for elderly residents and stressed the importance of building and maintaining bungalows for the older population.

Meeting discussed the fact that the multi-user mineral line route is currently structurally compromised and unsafe to use. Cllr Wheeler explained that it could only reopen when it is safe to do so.

Cllr Owen also noted that the cycle path between Radcliffe-on-Trent and Saxondale is very overgrown making it a dangerous route.

Cllr Stacey asked Cllr Wheeler about the lack of police presence in Bassingfield and Holme Pierrepont. Cllr Wheeler confirmed that he had spoken about this to the Police Chief Inspector and suggested that PCSO's, when completing paperwork, could do this in their vehicles in the outlying areas thus providing a visible presence. Cllr Wheeler explained that police resource was deployed to areas of need as identified by crimes committed, and fortunately there were relatively few in our Parish.

6063. FINANCE

Financial Statements & Payments for Approval

Clerk issued copies of the month's financial transactions and details of payments and presented a summary of the finances.

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

Clerk to provide Cllrs Stacey & Prett with copies of all invoices in order for them to sign off and authorise the month's payments online.

Clerk explained that the Notice of Public Rights should be removed from the notice boards on Friday 12th July '24.

Clerk still to submit paperwork to add Cllr Owen as Unity Trust Bank signatory.

Clerk still to generate documentation to add Cllrs Fairgrieve and Ubhi as Unity Trust Bank Account signatories.

6064. CLERKS REPORT

Clerk still to ascertain the process should a Parish defibrillator be used without the Parish Council knowing.

Clerk still to invite Gary Dykes, Grantham Canal Society Ranger for the Gamston section of the canal to a future Parish Council meeting in 2024.

Bookings Clerk to arrange for Village Hall windows to be cleaned inside and out.

6065. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as Monday 9th September 2024 at 7.15pm in Gamston Village Hall, Old Tollerton Road.

Clerk to ask Cllr Tisbury if he can chair this meeting.

The meeting ended at approximately 9pm.