

**Gaddesby Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall**  
**on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016, commencing at 6.45 pm.**

**Councillors Present**

Mrs Pat Walton – Chair

Mr Howard Bakewell

Mrs Jenny Hurst – Vice-Chair

Mr Gary Fox

Mr Edward Kitson

Mrs Trudy Toon – Clerk to the Council

Borough Councillor Mrs J Simpson

**Action**

**Apologies** – Apologies were received from Councillor Mr Gordon Bigam and County Councillor Mr J T Orson.

**Parishioner/Public Time**

There were no parishioners present.

It had been brought to the attention of Councillors via a recent edition of the Melton Times, dated Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016, that housing growth within the Borough would be included in the new Melton Local Plan (MLP). The article advised readers that approximately 6,000.00 are needed to be built in the borough over the next 20 years, with about 4,000.00 of these to be built in Melton (65% of the total provision) and about 2,000.00 homes to be accommodated throughout the villages (35% of the total provision). After a professional assessment of the sites available it was understood that Gaddesby would be required to take a number of houses. Borough Councillor Simpson explained to Councillors how MBC had allocated the houses within the Borough.

Following this it was understood that two potential shlaa (housing) sites had been identified in Gaddesby; these being an area of land opposite Gaddesby Primary School and an area of land at the corner of Pasture Lane. Borough Councillor Simpson explained that landowners would have indicated to MBC that they would like their area of land to be included for potential development. Councillors expressed that there had been concerns raised in Gaddesby about the areas indicated for development and that the village envelopes and conservation areas were no longer relevant.

Councillors raised concern that Gaddesby would not be a sustainable village, but Borough Councillor Simpson explained that Gaddesby Primary School would be one of the main sustainable features and that Gaddesby has four elements of the sustainability features, which also include a Village Hall, Public House, and frequent bus service.

Councillors felt that since the Primary School had been extended and had almost doubled its capacity, this could encourage the requirement for additional housing.

Borough Councillor Simpson added that these allocation proposals were discussed and accepted by MBC at the full Council meeting on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016, albeit not a unanimous decision and will be incorporated into the next stage of the MLP ('submission version') later this year. This will then be followed by a six week consultation process in which the Parish Councils and other interested parties, residents, etc, will be able to participate and put their views forward.

Additionally, MBC will be holding open days, where advice and further information could be sought from Officers.

**Parishioner/Public Time cont.**

Borough Councillor Simpson informed that the next full MBC Council Meeting would take place on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and that she would send GPC a link to the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Minutes** – Minutes of the previous meeting no's 2016/2017 29-34, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed.

**Matters Arising**

1. **New Bus Shelter, Barsby** – The Clerk had written to Mr James Walton, land agent for Brown and Co to express the disappointment of GPC in relation to the decision of the Trustees of the Ashby Carington Estate and to ask if it would be possible to discuss the proposal to erect a bus shelter in Barsby again. A response had yet to be received.
2. **White Centre Line Road Markings from the Rearsby Business Park to the Rearsby Bypass Junction (A607)** – The Clerk had again emailed LCC, Highways Department to remind them that the white centre line road markings from the Rearsby Business Park to the Rearsby Bypass junction had yet to be re-instated.  
Following this LCC, had emailed GPC to report that the lining work has been added to a works package. Unfortunately, they were unable to give a date for the works. LCC advised that lining work is carried out when there is sufficient work in an area to justify sending out a team of men from a cost perspective.
3. **Extension at Overleys, 1 Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby** – Nothing to report. The Clerk was asked to email Mr Joe Mitson of Development Control at MBC, in a few weeks if an update on the extension at the Overleys had not been received.
4. **Unsafe Footpath Bridge, Ashby Folville** – Mr Paul Wroblewski of the LCC, Structures and Assets Team had advised GPC that the footbridge repairs have been designed and are currently with the LCC Construction Team for pricing. The works will then be completed during this financial year, before the end of March 2017.  
LCC had notified GPC that repairs would be carried out on the highway bridge in Ashby Folville and that Gaddesby Lane, Ashby Folville would be closed for approximately four weeks to enable LCC to safely carry out the necessary repairs. The work would commence on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016.
5. **Crime Updates** – Councillor Fox had nothing to report in relation to the crime updates. However, he reported to Councillors that he had completed the Policing, Community Safety and Victim Services Survey. Also, he reported that he had emailed Mr Stuart Fraser of the Police and Crime Commissioners Office to report the lack of contact and action and the poor facility for qualitative data capture on the survey. As yet a response had not been received.
6. **Weakened Carriageway from Barsby crossroads to South Croxton crossroads** – The Clerk had informed LCC, Highways Department that the necessary repairs had yet to be carried out on the carriageway from Barsby crossroads to South Croxton crossroads and had asked for an Officer to telephone. A response had yet to be received.

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**Matters Arising cont.****7. Gaddesby Children's Play Area –**

**Repairs to slide** – Mr Nathan Myring had yet to provide GPC with a quotation for the necessary repairs to the slide. Councillor Kitson advised that he had a friend, Mr Jon Franks, who may be interested in quoting for the repairs to the slide. Councillors asked Councillor Kitson to ask Mr Franks to go and have a look at the slide with a view to providing GPC with a quotation.

Councillor  
Kitson

**Overgrown Trees and Shrubs** – The Clerk had contacted Mr Henry Black of Dalby Tree Care, regarding a quotation for the trimming of the overgrown trees and shrubs. The Clerk had yet to meet with Mr Black due to his work commitments, but would endeavour to do so before the November meeting.

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**Moss on the MUGA surface** – The Clerk had yet to meet with Mr Black to ask if he would be able to treat the surface of the MUGA in order to destroy the moss, but would endeavour to do so before the November meeting. In the meantime, Councillor Bakewell would take a look at the moss problem.

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**Two broken benches, on the concrete slab** – Councillors Bakewell and Kitson had yet to carry out the work in relation to the benches.

Councillor  
Bakewell &  
Clerk**8. LCC, Consent for commemorative roadside bench : Cross Street and Main Street Junction, Gaddesby**

– The Clerk had telephoned Ms Emily Berrington, a Legal Assistant for LCC in relation to consent for the installation and maintenance of a commemorative roadside bench at the Cross Street with Main Street junction, Gaddesby. Following discussion Ms Berrington advised the Clerk that GPC would have to be named in the LCC consent document as GPC signed the initial application form and agreed to take responsibility for the insurance of the bench. Therefore, Ms Berrington had re-drafted and re-worded the consent document accordingly. The Clerk had circulated the document to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

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After looking through the document, Councillors were in agreement that the document was satisfactory. Therefore, both copies of the consent document were signed as necessary (two signatures; the Chair of GPC plus one Councillor). The Clerk would then pass the two signed copies to Mrs Daphne Tucker of the Gaddesby WI, so that they could then sign the copies before forwarding them back to Ms Berrington at LCC.

**9. Overgrown Hedge, Pasture Lane, Gaddesby**

– The Clerk had emailed LCC, Highways Department to report that a section of hedgerow along Pasture Lane, just outside Gaddesby village, had become overgrown.

Councillors were pleased to note that the hedge had been trimmed back.

**Correspondence**

**1. MBC, Community Forum** – Notification had been received from MBC that a Community Forum Meeting would be held on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at the Council Offices, Parkside.

**2. Melton Local Plan : Article in Melton Times, Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016** – See Parishioner/Public Time.

**Correspondence cont.**

**3. Hoby with Rotherby Parish Neighbourhood Plan Stakeholder Meeting** – An invitation had been received from Mr John Preston of the Rural Community Council to attend the Hoby with Rotherby Parish Neighbourhood Plan Stakeholder Meeting, which would take place on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 at Brooksby College, commencing at 6pm.

Councillors noted details of the invitation received but did not wish to attend.

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

**Planning Matters****‘For Information Only’**

**a. The Hall, 2 Main Street, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr David Jinks, for consent to work on trees, for the proposed removal of two rows of Leylandii Trees.

**b. Askew Fushias, South Croxton Road, Barsby** – Application submitted by Mr Martin Longland, for a Lawful Development Certificate, in relation to the use of the single private dwelling. It was the understanding of Councillors that the application was for the removal of the horticultural tie on the property. Councillors resolved to support the application.

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**‘For Information Only’**

**c. Highway Verge, Folville Street, Ashby Folville** – Application submitted by Mr Stewart Marshall of LCC, for consent to work on trees, for the proposed felling to ground level, of one Horse Chestnut Tree.

**d. Brook Close, Ashby Road, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr Baigent for the proposed alterations and extensions to the existing property. Councillors resolved to support the application.

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**e. Barsby Farm, 11 Main Street, Barsby** – Application submitted by Mrs Kathryn Shorrock for the proposal to increase the number of bedrooms, in the proposed dwelling, from two to three. Councillors resolved to support the application.

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**Application submitted within the Borough of Charnwood:**

**f. Land Off Main Street, South Croxton** – Application submitted by Mr John Connors for the proposed change of use of land as a travellers site and the siting of three mobile homes. Councillors were in agreement that the comments submitted previously would still be applicable, these being:

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- South Croxton is a small rural village with very few amenities.
- The proposal is outside the built form of South Croxton village.
- The proposed site is a Greenfield site, in the open countryside.
- The mobile homes, as stated, are not mobile as such, but will form and intend to be permanent dwellings.
- Main Street, South Croxton and the main Queniborough Road are widely used as a commuter route into Leicester, therefore, access onto either of these roads could prove to be extremely hazardous, especially at peak times.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Borough of Charnwood with the comments of GPC.

**Planning Decisions**

**a. 12 Pasture Lane, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Mr K Taylor for the proposed alterations and extensions to the existing bungalow – extension to the rear of the property and windows fitted to the front roof, has been granted planning permission by MBC.

**b. The Cheney Arms Public House, 2 Rearsby Lane, Gaddesby** – Application submitted by Everards Brewery Ltd for the proposed refurbishment and updating of the existing signage, has been granted listed building consent and consent to display an advertisement.

**Representative Reports**

**1. Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall** – It was understood that the Ashby Folville Harvest Supper would take place on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and that a Fashion Show would be held in the Hall on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016, with proceeds in aid of Ashby and Barsby Parish Hall and Barsby Village Charity.

**2. Barsby Village Hall Green** – Councillor Hurst reported that a skittles evening would take place on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

**3. Gaddesby Village Hall** – Councillor Bakewell had nothing to report this month.

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

E.ON Energy Solutions Ltd – Street light maintenance, ¼ ending 30 September 2016, £182.65 plus 20% VAT £36.53, total £219.18.

**Accounts for payment:**

E.ON UK Plc – Street light energy, ¼ ending 30 September 2016, £373.29 plus 5% VAT £18.66, total £391.95.

Grant Thornton UK LLP – Annual audit of Accounts 2015/2016, £100.00 plus 20% VAT £20.00, total £120.00.

The Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) – Membership renewal 2016, total £103.00.

Trudy.M.Toon – Clerks salary and expenses from 01.07.2016 to 30.09.2016, salary £1,281.28, expenses £107.02, total £1,388.30.

**Payments Received:**

MBC, 2<sup>nd</sup> precept payment for 2016/2017, total £6724.92.

(Precept £6,600.00 plus Council Tax Support Grant £124.92).

**Estimated Balances:**

Barclays Bank Business Reserve Account £14,009.19.

Barclays Bank Community Account £8328.06.

The latest bank statements were made available for Councillors.

**Bank Reconciliation : 30 June 2016:**

A copy of the latest bank reconciliation was circulated to all Councillors.

**Finance cont.****Transfer of Funds:**

Councillors agreed that £4,000.00 should be transferred from the Community Account into the Business Reserve Account; the Clerk was asked to carry out this transaction.

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**Other Business**

**1. Resignation of Councillor Mr Edward Kitson** – A formal letter of resignation had been received from Councillor Kitson. Councillor Kitson advised Councillors that it was with regret that he would be resigning from GPC and that, along with his family, he would be moving to Melton. Councillor Kitson thanked Councillors for making him welcome and for giving him an insight into local government. In response Councillors thanked Councillor Kitson and wished him well on his move to Melton.

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**Arrangements for the next meeting :**

Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016, at Gaddesby Village Hall, commencing at 6.45 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Chair.