Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 16th March 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

Present 2017/14

Cllrs Campbell (Chair), Bennett (Vice Chair), Davidson, Larner and Tobin, Mrs J Medwell (Clerk), Ms S Preston (Corby Borough Council Rural Pride Officer) and four members of the public.

Apologies 2017/15

Cllr Brown

Approved – Work Commitments

Declarations 2017/16 Open Forum

2017/17

There were no declarations of interest or requests to speak on agenda items.

The Chair welcomed the visitors.

Ms Suzanne Preston (Corby Borough Council Rural Pride Officer) informed the Council that Rockingham Parish Council was looking to improve its play area (situated behind the Sondes Arms) and was currently in consultation with various funding agencies and local parishes. Ms Preston circulated a draft survey to the Council which she would like to deliver to the residents of Caldecott to obtain their views and ideas on suitable equipment. The Council agreed that this would be beneficial and suggested that Ms Preston liaise with Cllr Davidson to circulate the survey with the village newsletter.

Meeting closed to the public.

Minutes 2017/18

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th January were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

Proposed Cllr Bennett Seconded Cllr Davidson

Matters Arising 2017/19

The Council noted that the wall outside 24 Main Street had subsided on to the pavement and was mindful that the wall be restored to its original state in order to maintain the heritage value and character of the village. Cllr Bennett agreed MB to contact the property owner to inquire whether the wall would indeed be restored.

Casual Vacancy 2017/20

The Council was very saddened by the sudden passing away of Cllr Pitt and expressed its condolences to his family.

The Clerk will notify the returning officer at Rutland County Council of the casual JM vacancy which will be advertised in due course.

Finance 2017/21

a) Payments

The following cheques were presented for signature and unanimously **agreed**:

J Medwell	Clerk Salary / Admin / Expenses	£429.96
BIFFA	Emptying Dog Bins	£17.94

Receipts

Rents £190.00

b) Bank Reconciliation

Nationwide Account £6.584.16 Less Ring-fenced Money from CRAG £1,422.11

Total Balance of Reserves £5,409.95

The Bank Reconciliation was unanimously approved and then duly signed by the Chair.

Neighbourhood Watch 2017/22 The Chair drew the Council's attention to recent suspicious activity in the village which had been recorded and reported to the police. Details of this will be circulated in the parish newsletter. The Council re-iterated again the importance of establishing a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme as soon as possible.

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Traffic Matters 2017/23

The Council received the following report from Rutland County Council Highways Department.

The proposed pedestrian crossing – this scheme is currently in the 'initial screening' stage. During this stage all scheme requests received are scored and ranked, with those schemes higher up the list being put forward to undergo feasibility work the following year.

Caldecott/ Great Easton junction – this scheme was identified as the location was recorded as an accident cluster site. The proposal has already undergone the feasibility stage and is now awaiting consideration by Cabinet to go ahead with the work.

Annual Governance 2017/24

The Risk Assessment, Asset Register and the new model 2016 NALC Financial Regulations had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

The Risk Assessment was reviewed and **agreed** with no amendments.

The Council **agreed** to adopt the model 2016 NALC Financial Regulations

The Asset Register was approved with the removal of 'Street Lighting'.

Planning 2017/25

2016/1175/LBA Mr A Batty Priests House, Church Close Installation of Chimney Liner.

RCC Approved

2016/1184/LBA (Retrospective Application) Mr Morgan Jones 8A Uppingham Road Conversion of stone barn to form dwelling and construction of two storey extension.

RCC Approved

2016/0899/LBA Mr A Batty Priests House, Church Close Addition of Shower and Installation of New Flue.

RCC Approved

2017/0023/FUL Mr A Batty Priests House, Church Close Construction of detached double oak framed garage and movement of main gates

The Council had previously considered this application and made no comment.

'Unauthorised Road' 45 Main Street

The Clerk informed the Council that Rutland County Council Planning Enforcement was currently pursuing this unauthorised road.

Mill Garage 2017/26

There was nothing further to report on this at present. The Council will continue to monitor the site.

Parish Defibrillator 2017/27 The Council discussed the possibility of obtaining a parish defibrillator. It **agreed** to explore fund raising options via the County Council and the adoption of the BT **JM** phone box in which the defibrillator could be sited.

Correspondence 2017/28

LRALC – Round Robins

Transparency Code and Fund Training

NALC – Tree Carter Survey

RCC – Parish Council Forum Minutes 30/01/17 Great British Spring Clean

Leicestershire Police Effectiveness – Published Findings

D.O.N.M The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 25th May 2017/29 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.41 pm

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