# Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

Present 2018/51

Cllrs Campbell (Chair), Davidson, Hide and Richardson, Mrs J Medwell (Clerk) and five members of the public.

Apologies 2018/52

Cllrs Brown and Saunders – Holiday Commitments

Declarations 2018/53

Cllr Campbell declared an interest in item 2018/60

There were no changes to the members Register of Interests.

Open Forum 2018/54

The Chair welcomed the visitors.

A request was made to replace the fixed bollards on the road adjacent to the Village Hall with lockable removable ones to enable emergency vehicles to pass through where necessary. The Clerk will contact Rutland County Council.

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Concerns were raised regarding the Councils consideration of planning application 2018/0355/FUL. It was felt that there was no consistency in the Council's consideration of this application, particularly regarding a previous development at 5 Main Street which had been objected to and that an explanation was needed as to its decision in this case. The Council stated that it had been completely transparent in taking all material planning considerations into account in terms of its design, affect on neighbours, location and access onto the A6003 and had responded accordingly to Rutland County Council.

A request for the previous minute books was made – the Clerk asked that all requests are put in writing and the books can be signed for and collected from the Clerk.

Meeting closed to the public.

Minutes 2018/55

The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were **approved** as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

Proposed Cllr Davidson Seconded Cllr Richardson

Matters Arising 2018/56

There were no matters arising.

Finance 2018/57

### a) Payments

The following cheques were presented for signature and unanimously agreed:

J Medwell Clerk Salary / Admin Expenses £478.94
BIFFA Dog Bin Emptying £39.00

Receipts None

#### b) Bank Reconciliation

Nationwide Account	£7,672.18
Less Ring-fenced Money from CRAG	£547.11
Transparency Fund	£400.00

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

All matters pertaining to finance are displayed on the website on <a href="www.caldecott-pc.gov.uk">www.caldecott-pc.gov.uk</a>

### Neighbourhood Watch 2018/58

Cllr Davidson informed the Council that he had resigned from the role of 'Neighbourhood Watch' Co-ordinator. The Chair **agreed** to take on the role. It was suggested that the scheme be re-invigorated with a door knock and information on the Village Facebook Page and website introducing 'patch co-ordinators'.

There were no incidents of crime to report.

## **Traffic Matters** 2018/59

Cllr Hide informed the Council that he had met with Alan Lever to obtain historical data and information on speed, size and volume of traffic on the A6003 and also with Uppingham Town and Rockingham Parish Councils to collectively pull together a plan of action . He also reported that traffic volume data had been collected from the Department of Transport. It was suggested that he contact Mike Tobin for further information and data collected by CRAG.

The next stage in to identify who to target in terms of approving any bypass or traffic calming measures, as well as contacting potential allies, stakeholders and the press. Local resident Mr Cook, who had previously worked on this issue through CRAG, volunteered to attend a Full Rutland County Council meeting with Cllr Hide. The cross parish working group would be meeting again in September.

The Chair commended Cllr Hide on his work with this. He also requested that the County Council be contacted regarding progress on the decision for the proposed pelican crossing.

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## Planning 2018/60

# 2018/0355/FUL Old School House, Main Street Detached two storey dwelling with garaging

The Council had previously considered this application and whilst it made no objection, it made the following comments.

The proposed development has been sensitively designed to have minimal impact on the surrounding properties with 'overlooking' windows being mainly bathroom (which should be frosted) and the enclosed mature gardens providing privacy. The proposed property will share a driveway and therefore access onto the A6003 with The Old School House. Concerns were expressed with the 'dogleg' nature of the shared driveway which could be problematic and with the increased traffic turning in and out of the property, close to a bend on a busy road.

# 2018/0227/FUL 7 Main Street Proposed internal alterations including reverting one dwelling back into two independent dwelling

The Council noted that this application had been refused by Rutland County

Council.

2018/0113/LBA Wentworth Cottage, 8 Main Street Demolition of porch and utility room, construction of single-storey pitched roof extension forming kitchen and utility room

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### Parish Defibrillator 2018/61

The Chair was pleased to inform the Council that the defibrillator equipment had been installed on the outside of the Village Hall and that a training session had been arranged for the 14<sup>th</sup> August. The Council commended the Chair for his work on this initiative.

### Safety Review of Parish Assets 2018/62

Cllr Hide had carried out a safety review of parish assets. He expressed concern with the unlevel surface of the playing field and the state of the goalposts. Cllr Richardson had researched some 'wrapping' for the posts but felt that this would mask the problem. The Council discussed replacing the posts and to source a contractor to level the playing field. It was **agreed** to wait until progress had been made with the proposed play area as the two could be tied in together.

### Children's Playpark 2018/63

Cllr Hide updated the Council on the progress with children's play park. A consultation over a period of two weeks had taken place in the form of a questionnaire to all households. A 14% response rate was received showing overwhelming support, with the preferred location being the village green and the equipment to suit the under 12's age range. Cllr Hide stated that the proposed equipment would be in the region of £30K. The on-costs were specified as around £2k per annum, this being made up of £500 inspection (which might possibly be avoided if RCC agree to take this activity on), £500 insurance and £1k maintenance, which might not be spent in early years but would form a fighting fund in later years of the park's life. The next step is to research funding options in terms of grants and/or borrowings.

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A suggestion was made that a piece of waste land at the end of Welland Close could be considered as a potential site.

It was suggested at this point that a representative from the Council join the Village Hall Committee. Cllr Hide **agreed** to take on this role

## Mill Garage 2018/64

Concerns were raised regarding the parking along Mill Lane by its residents and also the occupants of Mill Garage. This has the potential to restrict access, particularly for emergency vehicles. The Chair will draft a note for the residents and the Clerk will write to Mill Garage, both requesting that all are mindful of ensuring adequate access along Mill Lane.

NC JM

## Correspondence 2018/65

The following were distributed by e-mail.

LRALC - Round Robins

BT – Contract approving the adoption of the phone box.

Freedom of Information requests from local residents re Planning Application

## Next Meeting 2018/66

The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

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