Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 21st November 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

Present 2019/87

Cllrs Richmond (Acting Chair), MacDermott, McCole and White, Mrs J Medwell (Clerk), County and five members of the public.

Apologies 2019/88

Cllr Bennett

County Cllr Andrew Brown

Declarations 2019/89

There were no declarations of interest or any changes to the member's Register of Interests.

Open Forum 2019/90

The Chair welcomed the visitors.

The question of who will hold the keys for the collapsible bollards was raised. Cllr Richmond said he was currently holding the keys but these will ultimately be housed in a key safe mounted on the Village Hall. Cllr Richmond offered to purchase and install the safe.

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purchase and install the sale.

The blocked drain on the corner of Church Lane, resulting in local flooding, was brought to the Council's attention. The Clerk will refer this on to Rutland County Council

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The need for traffic calming on the Lyddington Road from the junction with A6003 to the Pinfold was raised. A re-classification to 7.5 tonne weight limit with full width speed humps and a reduction of the speed limit to 20mph was suggested. The Council responded that this area will be looked at by Rutland County Council when it carries out the speed survey as part of the feasibility process for the proposed zebra crossing by the play park.

Meeting closed to the public at 7.40 pm.

Minutes 2019/91

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2019 were **approved** as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

Proposed Cllr MacDermott Seconded Cllr White

Matters Arising 2019/92

There were no matters arising.

Council Vacancies 2019/93 The Council noted that due to the recent resignation of Cllr Brown, two casual vacancies exist on the Council. These will be advertised on the village Facebook page and Councillors were encouraged to engage with the community, ideally seeking representation from Welland Close.

The Council discussed the Rutland County Council initiated Snow Warden scheme which was set up to support the local gritting of footways across Rutland's parishes. This scheme asked parishes to attempt to compile a number of volunteers who would be prepared to grit the local footpaths within their immediate area. Advice and equipment will be provided to any volunteers. The Council **agreed** to advertise this scheme on the Facebook page.

Cllr McCole volunteered to take over the role of 'Defibrillator Co-ordinator' from retired councillor Nick Campbell.

Finance 2019/94

a) To set 2020/21 Budget

The draft budget was presented to the Council for consideration. The Council **agreed** to draw the PWLB loan of £4,000 at a fixed rate over a ten year period and **agreed** not to increase the allotment or garage rents.

The Parish Council **resolved** to agree the budget for 2020/21

Proposed by Cllr McCole Seconded by Cllr White

This was then signed by the Chair.

The Parish Council duly then **resolved** to set the level of precept at £5,025.00 for the financial year 2020/21.

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The Clerk will submit the Precept Demand to RCC.

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488.96

£8,477.13

b) Payments

Total Balance of Reserves

000015

The following cheques were presented for signature and unanimously agreed:

J Medwell – Clerk Salary and Expenses

000016	BIFFA – Dog Bin Emptying	39.00
Receipts Allotment Rent		27.00
c) Bank Reconciliation		
Lloyds Account Less Ring-fenced Money from CRAG Transparency Play Park		13,307.35 368.54 350.00 4,111.68

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

All financial matters are displayed on the website on www.caldecott-pc.gov.uk

Neighbourhood Watch 2019/95

The Council referred to the village walkabout with Leicestershire Police Commissioner and County Cllr Brown on 2nd October. Residents were urged to call 999 if they see anything suspicious, however small. There was also a request for help and advice with setting up CCTV.

Cllr White and McCole attended an informative Crime and Policing in Rutland presentation by Rupert Matthews, Conservative Prospective Candidate for Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Highways 2019/96

The Clerk updated the Council on the current position regarding the proposed zebra crossings. The stage 1 feasibility study on the Main Road crossing has been done but currently RCC has paused all installations of crossings in the County whilst it awaits an independent consultant's report after which it will apply the same approach to all crossings. The Lyddington Road crossing is awaiting a

speed survey after the new 40 mph buffer zone has embedded.

The Council discussed the Community Speed Watch Scheme and the requirement to recruit volunteers for training. The Council **resolved** to pursue this scheme, Cllr Richmond offered to co-ordinate and will draw up a list of volunteers.

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Parish Assets 2019/97

Cllr Richmond informed the Council that he was in the process of completing the application for a grant of up to £10K towards the repair to the Pinfold Wall. Cllr Richmond will endeavour to obtain a second quote for the work.

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The new notice board for the bus shelter will be put up this week.

There was nothing further to report on the refurbishment of the phone box at present.

Children's Playpark 2019/98

The Council was very pleased to note that the children's play park had been installed and would be inspected the following day prior to opening. The Council agreed that the newly named 'Pinfold Park' was a real asset to the village and thanked all involved in the process. The press release has been done and there will be an opening event on 30th November at which trees will be planted and refreshments served.

The Council discussed the need for cutting the overgrown hedge around the play park and allotments. The Clerk will contact local contractor John Oakley to liaise with Cllr MacDerrmott to discuss requirements and obtain a quote.

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The Clerk will contact the insurance company to ensure adequate cover is in place.

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Planning 2019/99

2019/1227/FUL Fairchild Lodge, Lyddington Road Variation of conditions 1 and 2 of planning permission 2019/0651/FUL to change cedar board from vertical to horizontal and render in ash grey.

The Council considered this application and made no objection.

2019/1140/FUL 7 The Green Change of Use to separate dwellings

This application had been misdirected, arriving after the date for consideration.

The Council noted that it would have made no comment.

Correspondence 2019/100

The following were distributed by e-mail.

RCC – Highways and Transport Working Group 5th November

RCC - Notification of Road Closures

RCC - Community Speed Watch Programme Rupert Matthews - Crime and Policing in Rutland

Next Meeting 2019/101

The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 16th January 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.