

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

Present 2020/01	Cllrs Bennett (Chair), Richmond (Vice Chair), MacDermott, McCole and White, Mrs J Medwell (Clerk), County and seven members of the public.																																																																
Apologies 2020/02	County Cllr Andrew Brown																																																																
Declarations 2020/03	There were no declarations of interest or any changes to the member's Register of Interests.																																																																
Open Forum 2020/04	<p>The Chair welcomed the visitors.</p> <p>The new notice board on the bus shelter was acknowledged as being very good.</p> <p>Meeting closed to the public at 7.34 pm.</p>																																																																
Minutes 2020/05	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2019 were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Richmond Seconded Cllr White</p>																																																																
Matters Arising 2020/06	The blocked drain on the corner of Church Lane had been reported to Rutland County Council, the repair of which has been included on its programme of works for this financial year.																																																																
Council Vacancies 2020/07	The Council noted that as yet no volunteers had come forward for the position of councillor or snow warden. The vacancies have been advertised on the website and village Facebook page. The clerk will advertise the casual vacancies on the notice board. JM																																																																
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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
2020/09**

Incidents of crime reported included cars being pulled over by imitation police cars and damage to the zip wire seat. Both had been registered with the police. Again residents were urged to call 101 if they see anything suspicious, however small.

**Highways
2020/10**

Cllr Richmond advised that the Parish Council had been registered for the Community Speed Watch Scheme and that he would be attending an Information Event on 12th February. He also stated that more volunteers had come forward.

JR

The Council referred to correspondence from RCC Highway Engineer Robyn Green which reiterated that the Lyddington Road crossing is awaiting a speed survey after the new 40 mph buffer zone has embedded. Ms Green also made reference to set regulations/guidance that the Highways Authority has to follow regarding weight restrictions and speed limits and stated therefore that RCC would not look to declassify this section of carriage and would not be able to impose a weight restriction. She advised that 20mph limits are on streets that are primarily residential and in other town or city streets where pedestrian and cyclist movements are high, such as around schools, shop, markets, playground and other areas, where motor vehicle movement is not the primary function. Therefore RCC would not look to endorse a speed of 20 mph along the first stretch of the Lyddington Road.

**Parish Assets
2020/11**

Cllr Richmond informed the Council that he had met on site with an alternative contractor to review the repairs necessary to the Pinfold Wall. Only parts of the wall were identified as needing repair, the cost of this was quoted as £1,150. The Council **agreed** to accept this quote, Cllr Richmond will re-look at the application for funding and amend as necessary.

JR

There was nothing further to report on the refurbishment of the phone box at present. The Chair reported that she was awaiting a response from the contractor following her request for an update on start time.

**Children's
Playpark
2020/12**

Cllr MacDermott was pleased to report that all funding had been received by way of the grant and the loan and that the remainder of the monies had been paid to NGF Play. He informed the Council that he had received very positive feedback and that the park was being well used particularly in view of the time of year. The Council was concerned to hear of the damage to the zip wire seat which had been bitten by a dog. It will be placing a 'police aware' sign and will be monitoring the site for inappropriate behaviour by dogs. The Council discussed the requirement for routine monthly safety checks of the equipment and area. Cllr MacDermott volunteered to do this - the Clerk will endeavour to obtain some 'safety' templates. Residents are to be encouraged to report any antisocial behaviour in the area.

AM
JM

The Council referred to correspondence from a local resident requesting that the road side hedge be left to grow and planted out with trees to protect the privacy

of those living near in Welland Close and to provide a noise buffer. After some discussion the Council **agreed** that it would not pursue tree planting at this time and would continue to trim the hedge as had been done previously. Cllr MacDermott will be meeting the contactor to review all hedges on the site and to obtain a quote for any additional work. **AM**

Further to the above correspondence, It was also **agreed** that information pertaining to the play area had been displayed widely through the noticeboard, website, parish minutes and Facebook page for much of the year and a focus group set up, open to all residents, where the playground and wider village was considered. Residents were always encouraged to give their views at the time.

**Planning
2020/13**

2019/1307/FUL Mill Garage Installation of mobile sales office.

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

Cllr White brought to the Council's attention a new application which had not yet been received.

2020/0040/FUL Land adjacent to 22 Main Street 1 new dwelling

The Council will view the plans and consider this application before submitting individual comments to the Clerk by 31st January 2020.

**Correspondence
2020/14**

The following were distributed by e-mail.

RCC - Community Speed Watch Programme
LRALC – Nominations for current Chairs to attend Royal Garden Party

The Council **agreed** to nominate Cllr Bennett to attend the event on 27th May 2020.

**Next Meeting
2020/15**

The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 19th March 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in Caldecott Village Hall.

Items for next agenda – Request to purchase and fly the Rutland County Flag

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm