

Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 15th March 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present 2022/15	Cllr Richmond (Acting Chair), MacDermott and Kendrick, Mrs Medwell (Clerk) and County Cllr Andrew Brown.	
Apologies approved 2022/16	Cllrs Bennett, McCole, and Parker	
Declarations 2022/17	There were no Declarations of Interests. There were no changes to the Member's Register of Interests.	
Open Forum 2022/18	There were no visitors present. Meeting closed to the public.	
Minutes 2022/19	The signing of the minutes of the meeting held on 20 th January 2022 was deferred to the next meeting where Councillors eligible to authorise the accuracy of the minutes are present.	
Matters Arising 2022/20	Cllr Richmond will organise the siting of a key safe on the village hall to hold the keys for the bollards on Church Lane. The overgrown hedge at 5 Main Street which was obstructing the footpath had been cut back.	
Highways 2022/21	Update from Highways Village Walkabout – County Cllr Brown reported from the recent site meeting with RCC Cllr Ian Razzell, Portfolio holder for Highways, attended by himself and Cllrs Bennett and Parker. Damage to pavements on Main Street was identified, this was reported and works to resurface that area scheduled. In relation to the enquiry into the installation of a new pedestrian crossing facility, the area has been surveyed by the Highways Engineer, however there is not the sufficient room required at the footways to permit a compliant crossing facility at suitable point that would be used. There is also a restriction on any central refuge islands given the A6003 is a wide load route. Cllr Razzell subsequently agreed to find out what the criteria is in terms of space required for a crossing. Regarding the installation of a footpath along the A6003 from the bridge over the Welland to Caldecott, it was decided the next stage would be to contact Great Easton Parish Council, in whose parish the land is and the local Harborough District Councillor to gauge his support.	JR AB
Parish Council Vacancy 2022/22	No residents had come forward to fill the Casual Vacancy. The position will continue to be advertised. The Clerk will circulate a draft flyer for inclusion in the next magazine.	JM

**Children's Play
Park
2022/23**

Routine Inspection – Cllr McDermott will follow up on the damaged mechanism on the zip line with the suppliers.

AM

Tree Planting – The Council was pleased to note that Jo's Garden Care had planted the three replacement trees, including one he had donated, required to fulfil the terms of the FCC grant and expressed its thanks.

The Council approved the purchase of 10 slow-release watering bags and 10 padlocks to secure them at a total of £183.81

Proposed Cllr MacDermott Seconded Cllr Kendrick

Dog Fouling – Feedback from residents had been received following the 'dog fouling' flyer circulated around the village. It was felt that some of the culprits were those living outside the village. The Council will continue to monitor and look at putting in a second dog bin if necessary. It was noted that the bin in the park had not been emptied recently – the clerk will pursue with BIFFA.

JM

Pinfold Wall – Cllr MacDermott will contact the contractor with regards to starting the repair to the Pinfold Wall. He will confirm whether the quoted price of £1,300 included the cost of the skip.

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**Specific Items
2022/24**

Queens' Platinum Jubilee 2022 – Cllr Richmond advised that a 'Street Party' to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee was planned for Sunday 4th June. Volunteers to organise the refreshments were needed and there is meeting at the beginning of April to discuss the planning of the event further.

Review of Risk Assessment – A copy of the Risk Assessment had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no changes made to this from last year. The Risk Assessment was then duly approved. Proposed Cllr MacDermott Seconded Cllr Richmond

**Planning
2022/25**

2022/0167/FUL 22 Main Street Two Storey Extension

The Council had previously considered this application and had no objection

**Finance
2022/26**

The following payments were presented for signature and unanimously agreed. Those payments not paid by cheque were made by bank transfer:

J Medwell - Clerk February Salary and Expenses - £274.48

NEST – Clerk February Employer and Employee Pension - £17.92

J Medwell - Clerk January March and Expenses - £257.05

NEST – Clerk March Employer and Employee Pension - £17.92

JB McCole – Tree Planting - £295.00

RCC – Community Lighting Recharge - £210.68

AC Brooke-Clarke - Mowing - £907.20

b) Bank Reconciliation

Lloyds Account £5,474.18

Less Ringfenced

 Crag £281.54

Total Balance of Reserves £5,192.64

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

At this point the Council referred to a request from Cllr Parker to update the website header and font at a cost of £20. This was duly approved
Proposed Cllr Richmond Seconded Cllr MacDermott

All matters pertaining to finance are displayed on the website on www.caldecott-pc.gov.uk

Correspondence There was no further correspondence referred to.
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Next Meeting The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 12th May
2022/28 2022 in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.23 pm