

Coddington Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th September 2023 at 7.30pm
in the Community Centre

Present: Cllr McDonald (Chairman), Cllrs Ayers, Armstrong, Mosedale, O'Donnell, Parkhouse and Parrett. Dawn Hockenhull (Clerk). Dist Cllr Lee.
One member of the public.

- CPC 23-01 **To consider any apologies for absence.**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Brooks and Dikkez. Resolved unanimously to accept the reasons for absence.
Apologies were received from Co Cllr Darby and Dist Cllr Oldham, noted.
- CPC 23-02 **To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed.**
None declared.
- CPC 23-03 **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2023 and to receive updates.**
Previously circulated and accepted as a true record, proposed by Cllr Armstrong, and seconded by Cllr Ayers. Agreed unanimously.
- **Roads and pathways with updates from Via and quotes from D Lyne:**
The Clerk to arrange a further meeting with Co Cllr Darby to discuss any updates from Via.
The Clerk to chase D Lyne for quote to remove vegetation from pathways.
 - **Thorpe Oaks play equipment with updates on progress:**
Second goal post in situ with new play equipment expected in October.
- CPC 23-04 **Public participation.**
A member of the public presented a petition from residents of Post Office Row for resident parking permits. The Clerk to forward the petition to Co Cllr Darby and include on agenda for discussion at the next Parish Council meeting. The member of public left the meeting.
- CPC 23-05 **To receive updates from County and District Councillors.**
Written reports received from all three Councillors.
Co Cllr Darby - Via have confirmed that it may now be possible for the speed limit on the A1 slip road to go out to a further consultation. They will update in due course. She has raised the issue of flooding on Thorpe Close and is awaiting a reply. Cllr Darby brought the survey on the opening times of the Newark Urgent Care Centre to the attention of the Parish Council and advised that she still has some of the Councillor Division Fund left for the benefit of an organisation within her division.

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Dist Co Lee – The new play equipment at Thorpe Oaks and the glass collection service are both imminent. Dist Co Lee will continue to work with the Parish Council to protect green spaces in Coddington and to discuss issues with residents on his walks around the village. He advised that building plans and road changes which might affect the village need to be looked at closely.

Dist Co Oldham – The District Council are working on a community development plan and provision for Traveller sites. Air pollution monitoring, tree planting and supporting Coddington Primary School are all aspects of Dist Co Oldham's work.

Dist Cllr Lee left the meeting at 7.50pm

CPC 23-06 **To consider items requiring a decision:**

- **To consider the proposed resignation of a member and whether changing the day of future Parish Council meetings would allow that member to remain:**
The Clerk to establish which day of the week each councillor could attend a meeting.
- **To consider a working group for the Neighbourhood Plan:**
The Clerk to contact local councils who already have a Neighbourhood Plan, for information around costs, grants received, use of experts and time taken to complete.
- **To consider a working group and budget for the Carols Round the Tree event:**
Proposed by Cllr Armstrong and seconded by Cllr Parrett a budget of £150 was unanimously agreed. **The Clerk** to contact all local groups and the Salvation Army band to agree a date of Wednesday 13th December.
- **To consider quotes for the purchase of height restriction barriers at the Community Centre:**
Two quotes obtained by the Chairman of the Community Centre Association. **Cllr Parrett** to provide another quote and speak to family members who might be able to provide further contacts.
- **To consider letting of two vacant allotments:**
The Clerk to arrange for a resident at the top of the waiting list to choose an allotment before considering letting of the second allotment.
- **To consider a request from an allotment holder to increase the size of a structure to keep 6 chickens:**
The Allotment Working Group to carry out an inspection before a decision be made.
- **To consider a request from the Responsible Finance Officer to maintain a maximum balance in the current account to take advantage of higher interest rates in the deposit account:**

It was unanimously agreed to keep Financial Regulation 5.5(c) as it is and **the Clerk** to look at other bank accounts for better interest rates.

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- **To establish options, development costs and operating costs for a Parish burial ground:**
With the imminent closure of the churchyard for burials, it was unanimously agreed to contact other Parish Councils who have had the same issue, for relevant information. Costs involved, legal implications, and health and safety to be considered. **Cllr O'Donnell** to contact Great Gonerby Parish Council in the first instance. (Discussion took place following the recent meeting of Coddington Trust Fund. See agenda item CPC 23-11)
- **To consider ordering bags of salt and/or grit bins from Via for use in icy or hazardous conditions:**
It was unanimously agreed that **the Clerk** order the 5 free bags of salt only.
- **To consider a donation towards the cost of bouncy castles at the Community Village Event on 30th June 2024:**
Proposed by Cllr Parrett and seconded by Cllr Mosedale a budget of £500 was unanimously agreed towards the cost of the event. Cllr Ayers had also secured a £500 donation from Coddington Trust Fund.

CPC 23-07 **To consider Planning Applications received:**

- 23/01283/OUTM Land at Overfield Park, Winthorpe – Outline planning permission (all matters reserved save for means of access) for up to 12,008sqm employment development (use class B2, B8 and E(g) i, ii and iii) with associated internal access roads, landscaping, and drainage.
Proposed by Cllr Armstrong and seconded by Cllr O'Donnell, Councillors voted unanimously to object to the application, on the grounds that there are significant conflicts with several policies in the Adopted Allocations Development Plan Document.
- Advance notice of public consultation on the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan – Wednesday 30th August till Wednesday 11th October 2023. It was unanimously agreed that a response would be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

CPC 23-08 **To receive and accept accounts for July & August 2023.**

Balances at 31/8/23:

Current Account	£ 1,307.73
Deposit Account	£25,478.63
Burial Account	£12,105.60

Proposed by Cllr Armstrong and seconded by Cllr O'Donnell, accounts for July & August 2023 were unanimously approved.

To approve invoices received:

• Notts Fire Safety – CC Fire Ext Check	190.09
• Printer Paper	10.10
• D Lyne – verges mown (1 Jun & 23 Jun)	1180.80
• D Lyne - verges mown (July)	590.40
• Chubb – CC Intruder Alarm	123.89
• Ornamental Trees (Flowering Cherry)	110.00
• Waterplus – allotments	75.79
• Printer Ink	9.99
• Coddington Scouts – storage	100.00
• Clerk's expenses	31.50
• Handyman – refuse bags	10.07
• Willsons Printers – CVN	394.00
• Hire of Jubilee Room (Apr, Jun & Jul)	60.00

Proposed by Cllr Parrett and seconded by Cllr O'Donnell, invoices were unanimously approved.

CPC 23-09 **To receive a report on the Newark Health Consultative Group meeting.**
Cllr Armstrong attended the meeting held on 14th July 2023. Linda Cox was re-elected as Chair of the group. There was a Mental Health Presentation and an update on Newark Hospital.

CPC 23-10 **To receive a report on the Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting.**
Cllr Armstrong and Cllr Parrett attended the recent meeting of the SNG. Dist Cllr Linda Dales is to raise the parking and engine-idling issues at Coddington around school drop off/pick up times, with the Rural and Wildlife Crime Partnership and will liaise with Nottinghamshire Police for a Schools Officer to work with the school. The next meeting of the SNG will be held on 11th October 2023 at 7.30pm in Coddington Community Centre.

CPC 23-11 **To receive a report on the Coddington Trust Fund meeting.**
Cllr Armstrong and Cllr O'Donnell attended the recent meeting of the CTF where options relating to land for burials were discussed. Further discussions on this will take place at the next meeting of the CTF in November 2023.

CPC 23-12 **To receive items for information or the next agenda.**

- The Parish Council to consider the co-option of two residents.
- Consultation on the spending of CIL funds ends on 30th September and will be discussed at a future meeting.
- Cllr Parrett commented on tree branches hanging low over the seat at the bottom of Brownlow's Hill. A planning application to the District Council may be needed to cut the tree back.

- Cllr Parrett commented on trees at the Millennium Garden which may also need to be cut back.

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CPC 23-13

Date and time of next meeting:

Thursday 5th October 2023 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

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