

WIGSTON PARVA PARISH MEETING

Minutes of a meeting held at the Council Offices, Narborough

TUESDAY, 17 MAY 2011

Present:-

Mrs P Brench
Mr M Brench
B Bourne

S Davies
J Jenkins
K Page

Mrs P Roberts
M Smith

Officers Present:

Mrs D Johnson – Democratic Services Officer - on behalf of the Clerk to the Parish Meeting.

Also in Attendance
Cllr E White

Apologies

Cllr S Scott, B Jenkins, D Roberts, A Smith

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

In the absence of Mr M Brench the current Chairman, it was agreed by Parishioners that Mrs P Brench be elected Chairman for this meeting only.

The Clerk invited nominations for the election of Chairman to the Wigston Parva Parish Meeting for the ensuing year.

Mrs P Brench confirmed that Mr M Brench was willing to continue as Chairman.

Mr M Brench arrived towards the end of the meeting.

That Mr M Brench be elected Chairman of the Wigston Parva Parish Meeting until the Annual Parish Meeting of May 2012.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2010 ,as circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Noise Issues

A Parishioner reported that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 May 2010 stated that there had been no complaints in respect of noise levels, however since that meeting there was still an issue with noise in respect of the Hovercraft racing which takes place during the year at the Shades, Coventry Road, Sharnford.

He advised the meeting that a petition had been forwarded to Andrew Robathan MP in relation to the ongoing noise issues.

Councillor E White contributed to this item and responded to questions asked by the Parishioners.

Since the meeting the Clerk has been in contact with the Environmental Protection Team Leader and had enquired what action had been taken to date, and if any complaints had been received, the response is as follows:

There had been one complaint from the 1st January 2011 to date.

- A noise abatement notice was served on Mr Cooper 12 December 2008, the notice limited the noise levels and also the times allowed for hovercraft activity. The wording of the notice is set out below:-

Only undertake hovercraft activity between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Saturday and Sunday 9am to 1pm if the following conditions are met:-

The sound from hovercraft activities does not exceed L_{max} 75dB and 1 hour L_{eq} 55Db as measured at the boundary of the premises.

- Noise monitoring was carried out 16 May 2009 but the notice was not breached.
- A noise monitor was installed in local residents homes on 12 September 2009 to monitor a forthcoming event. No evidence of breach of notice.
- Officers visited the site and monitored noise on 12 September 2009. No evidence of breach of notice.
- Dates of forthcoming events have been passed to the complainant, and the site will continue to be monitored.
- Any further concerns about the noise issues should be made to Environmental Protection, Blaby District Council.

Road Resurfacing

Parishioners reported that although the road had been resurfaced a year ago they were disappointed with the quality of the surface.

Councillor E White said that he would contact Leicestershire County Council to look into the matter.

The response from Leicestershire County Council to Councillor E White is as follows:

The issues regarding the road surface leading into Wigston Parva comes under the Southern Office and a letter has been forwarded to them for a direct reply.

Crash Barrier – Smockington Hollow

Parishioners advised the meeting that a crash barrier had still not been installed at the site even though there had been lots of “near misses” at that particular stretch of road and they suggested that more signage could be displayed near the site.

Councillor E White said that he would contact Leicestershire County Council to look into the matter.

The response to Councillor E White from Leicestershire County Council is as follows:-

The signage and safety fencing requests at Smockington Hollow are on the A5 trunk road, and your letter has been forwarded to A One Plus, the Highways Agency’s service provider for a direct reply.

Councillor E White has since received a further response from A One Plus which stated that a site meeting had taken place with Ian Malkin (Highways Agency’s Safety Advisor, a representative of Leicestershire Police and Simon Came (A one+’s Watchman). Once the outcomes and any associated intended actions from the site meeting are available, an appropriate response will be provided.

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

That the next meeting Parish Meeting be arranged in consultation with the Chairman.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 6.45 P.M.