

MINUTES of OAKTHORPE, DONISTHORPE & ACRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
meeting held on Monday August 20 2018 @ 6.30pm
Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre

<http://www.odapc.co.uk/> or www.oakthorpeclc.org

PRESENT: Cllrs Grove (Chair), Merry, Antill, Antill-Holmes, Dyason, Gelder, Clerk
Lindsay Swinfield, District Cllr Ashman, County Cllr Sheahan, 8 members of the public,
PC Steve Harrison, Daphne Robinson (NWLDC), Kym Smith (NWLDC re HS2) & two
HS2 representatives.

1895 APOLOGIES – Cllrs Warren and Morris-Chapman – accepted, unanimous.

1896 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Cllr Dyason agenda item 10b, Cllr Gelder agenda item 8g.

1897 Open forum for public questions and comments on agenda items & presentations

Cllr Grove requested that all present acknowledge the service Cllr Ray Merry has given to the Parish over many years – and a plaque was presented to Cllr Merry (the plaque will be placed on a wall in Oakthorpe Centre).

Residents attended to ask for assistance re fishing ponds and rights of way along Canal Street Oakthorpe. This matter and others relating to land ownership and rights of way has already been investigated, legal advice from Land Agents had been sought and paid for, but there is still confusion over ownership, right of way and tree removal. There is one tree in Canal Street with a TPO (Tree Preservation Order). Cllr Dyason is representing the PC re this area and will continue to investigate along with Mr Andrew Poole (Footpath Officer LCC) and Cllr Ashman.

Residents left the meeting.

1898 MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on July 16 2018 **RESOLVED** unanimous. Chairman signed the minutes as a true record of the proceedings.

Minutes of Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre Committee meeting – noted.

1899 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS – Nil to report.

18100 POLICING MATTERS – To check Police crime records log onto www.police.uk and type in postcode for area required – note, all details are at least 2 months out of date.

www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk or www.leics.police.uk/support or www.leics.police.uk/haveyoursay.

Police related queries to be directed to PC Lockley 1794, Archer 2916, Saad 4540 - contact number is **101** or 0116 222222. Crimestoppers, 0800 555 111, Weight Restriction reports to

weight.restricted@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk

PC Harrison reported on the concerns councillors had expressed re rural crime – they felt there was a lack of response. However, the Clerk had contacted various Police departments and comprehensive replies had been received and circulated. All areas are treated the same, whether rural or urban. Concern was also raised re the confusion over post codes – some areas are on the border of Leics, Derbyshire and Staffordshire. Members reported that 2 more accidents had occurred at the A444 junction in Acresford.
PC Harrison left the meeting.

Cllr Grove proposed that agenda item 10b (HS2 & Measham Land Co proposal for change of route) be brought forward – all agreed.

Item brought forward Following a telephone call to the Clerk from HS2 representatives, stating that the Secretary of State Chris Grayling had requested feedback from Oakthorpe residents re a proposal to move the HS2 route, which would have a greater impact on Oakthorpe than the previous proposed route, HS2 representatives agreed to attend the PC meeting, along with Kym Smith (NWLDC consultant) to enable a more informed discussion.

Chair Signature:
Date:

The change of route has been proposed by Measham Land Co along with Ashby Canal Trust. However, residents have not been given the opportunity to review the map/plans or to comment on the impact this change may have on the village. The current route that is progressing is the one announced in July 2018, however Measham Land Co has proposed an alternative route along with a technical inspection – a report is then passed to the Sec of State for consideration. MP Andrew Bridgen is supporting the change of route. If the alternative route was in the running, then a formal consultation process would have to be followed.

At this stage, the Secretary of State is asking for the views of residents re possible impact there may be on Oakthorpe village. Members of the Council expressed grave concern re timescales – the feedback has to be with the Sec of State by end of August 2018, giving little time to organise a public information session, with leaflet distribution, venue booking, maps and attendees.

The Clerk asked Ms Smith if she could provide large maps showing the existing agreed route and the proposed change in route – she will do her best. Ms Smith will also look at possible impacts the proposed change in route may have on the area. Members suggested that a more realistic deadline be requested.

Agenda item brought forward, now closed.

HS2 representatives and Kym Smith left the meeting.

18101 OAKTHORPE COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE UPDATE

- a. Members are waiting for proposals and resolutions from the committee, along with details of individual members' skills and key objectives.
- b. LRALC suggested a one hour training session be offered to the new committee to assist with understanding of how local government/Parish Councils work and the basic terms of reference committees should follow (paid for by the PC). It was **RESOLVED** unanimous that Cllr Antill-Holmes report back to the committee as he is the committee secretary.

18102 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a. 18/01171/VCU 87 School Street Oakthorpe, variation of condition 2 to amend site layout – no comment.
- b. 18/01251/FUL 24 New Street Oakthorpe, erection of detached garage and alterations & extensions to existing garage – no comment.
- c. 18/01139/FUL field off Ashby Road Donisthorpe, erection of six log cabins – no comment.
- d. Planning application re South Derbyshire – proposed traveller site, impact on Acresford – object.
- e. 18/01257/OUT Shoulder of Mutton Oakthorpe, demolition of public house and erection of up to 4 dwellings – outline, access for approval – concern over access/egress, only public house in the village.
- f. 18/01322/VCI 67 Church St Donisthorpe, variation of conditions 3/11 to amend site access, including retention and reduction of walls fronting Church Street – no comment.
- g. 18/01443/FULM land at M42 J11, distribution development proposal – object re access/egress, already congested area of the M42 re traffic flow, conservation a concern and sheer size of the proposed development.

18103 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

- a. Masons Arms Donisthorpe, proposed single storey rear extension and patio raised plus alterations to existing pub and car park extension – granted.
- b. Redholme Farm Donisthorpe, erection of 4 detached houses with off street parking, approval of reserved matters – granted.
- c. Foxes Cross Donisthorpe, erection of single storey front extension & rear extension – granted.

18104 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES & THE CLERK

- a. **Speed traffic signs** – the Clerk had asked Measham Parish Council if ODA can borrow their traffic speed signs – this has been approved by Measham PC. Cllr Gelder is liaising with highways re fixing poles to hold the signs, and the Clerk confirmed with the insurance company for ODA PC that cover is provided – it is. Cllr Antill-Holmes proposed, seconded by Cllr Dyason, it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to approve the cost of the poles (£250 each) and to fix the signs in Acresford as a trial.

- b. **HS2** – refer item ‘brought forward’. Members **RESOLVED** unanimous, to request a public information session, leaflets to be produced and paid for by Measham Land Co (as it is their changes that are causing this issue) and the public session to be organised by Measham Land Co/Ashby Canal Trust. The Clerk will email NWLDC and other representatives to request their attendance, with the venue being Oakthorpe Centre, time is 7.30pm and the following dates put forward as options for one date to be selected, Clerk to design a public leaflet and pass draft to members for consideration.

Wednesday 12 September 2018

Thursday 13 September 2018

Wednesday 19 September 2018

Thursday 20 September 2018

- c. **Plans re WW1**- plans are progressing.
d. **The Floods** water pollution – no further information received.

18105 FINANCE

- a) **Parish Council Accounts for payment**
RESOLVED: The bank reconciliation and payments lists be approved for payment, accepted unanimously - Chairman signed the bank reconciliation and payments list.
- b) Approve updated bacs payment list if amended, approved.
- c) Cllr Grove proposed, seconded by Cllr Antill-Holmes, it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to join the LRALC internal audit service at £250 for 2018.
- d) Burial Board and compliance and correspondence from the external auditor – members proposed that two Councillors join a working party between Ashby Woulds TC and ODA PC – Cllrs Ray Merry and Richard Dyason were nominated and agreed. Clerk to attend the Burial Board meeting on 04/10/18, Clerk and Clerk from Ashby Woulds TC to meet with LRALC re this matter – if all parties agree. **RESOLVED** unanimous.
- e) Data compliance – all computers, email addresses, IT updates have been carried out. Security is now required for all computers at Oakthorpe Centre, Cllr Dyason proposed, seconded by Cllr Merry, it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to request Astley Computers to carry out this IT work.
- f) A quote had been received for repair to the shutters in Oakthorpe Centre (£667.00) – defer this matter while a further quote is obtained from RSL Shutters.
- g) The Clerk produced an updated license renewal agreement between the Parish Council and OAF. It was **RESOLVED** unanimous to renew the license for 3 years with the agreed 5% annual increase.
- h) Oakthorpe Centre fees and charges – following discussion it was agreed to pass this to the Centre Committee for their input, they will then pass suggestions to the Parish Council – Cllr Antill-Holmes to pass to the Committee.
- i) Due to confusion a party booking at the Centre had failed, all agreed to pay compensation of £50.00.

18106 THREE VIEWS NEWS ARTICLE – Cllr Dyason for August 2018 and Cllr Antill-Holmes for September 2018.

Cllr Grove proposed the meeting move into confidential – all agreed.

18107 Confidential Item, exclusion of public and press

Chair of the HR Committee to book an HR meeting.

Cllr Antill-Holmes to continue to liaise with the Centre Committee on behalf of the Parish Council.

HR Committee job description for a Centre Caretaker to be used and the title to remain.

HR Committee to run recruitment and interview process – with one representative from the Centre Committee to be included – Committee to nominate the person to represent them – Cllr Antill-Holmes to inform the Centre Committee.

All above **RESOLVED** unanimous.

Meeting moved out of confidential.

Meeting closed @ 9.20 pm

**The date of the Parish Council meeting has been arranged for September 17 2018,
Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre, 6.30 pm**