

MINUTES of OAKTHORPE, DONISTHORPE & ACRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL meeting held on Monday September 17 2018 @ 6.30pm Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre

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PRESENT: Cllrs Grove (Chair), Merry, Antill, Dyason, Gelder, Warren, Morris-Chapman, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield, District Cllr Ashman, approximately 65 members of the public, Mr Bernard Wilson and associate to represent Measham Land Co, two representatives from HS2, representative from Donisthorpe Community group

Chair of ODA Parish Council opened the meeting and stated that this is a formal Parish Council meeting that has to follow protocol. Cllr Grove also stated that all Cllrs have completed and signed the Declaration of Interest forms and these have been logged at NWLDC.

18111 APOLOGIES – Cllr Antill-Holmes – accepted, unanimous.

18112 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Cllr Warren agenda item 13c, Cllr Dyason item 10b.

Open forum for public questions and comments on agenda items & presentations - meeting to be adjourned to receive questions from members of the public, 15 minutes maximum.

Mr Wilde (Donisthorpe Community group) reported on the proposals to commemorate 100 years of cessation of WW1, these include painting poppies onto rocks which will form the centre piece of the Memorial Gardens in Donisthorpe plus many other projects. Oakthorpe FOV (friends of Oakthorpe) are also joining in various projects. Mr Wilde also asked if the Parish Council would support improvements to the Memorial Gardens (in principle) – members unanimously said they would, but will need costings etc. Clerk to pass S137 form to Mr Wilde.

HS2 representatives Lucy Colls and Jason Pacey gave a presentation on phase 2b working draft environmental statement & equality impact assessment. Presentations will be available online at a later date.

Cllr Grove proposed the meeting move forward agenda item 10b to enable Mr Wilson to carry out his presentation – members unanimously agreed.

Mr Wilson gave a presentation on the proposed route 4 for HS2 from the perspective of Measham Land Co, and stated that he will accept questions. All queries re the presentation or other items relating to the proposed route 4 relevant to Measham Land Co may be directed via email to: des@mcgowan@btconnect.com

Members of the public were able to ask questions relating to agenda items:

1. The Parish Council had stated that they would deliver leaflets to each household in the Parish re a meeting about HS2 proposed route 4- these had not been delivered. The Chair explained that due to a request from the Secretary of State Chris Grayling for feedback re the proposed route 4 and the very tight schedule given, it was necessary to call an extraordinary meeting – this then negated the need for a further meeting re the proposed route change. However, when a final decision is made by Government, then HS2 will organise consultation events.
2. An action group has formed, called Oakthorpe HS2 action group – a letter was read out re the reason for the formation of the group.
3. Chair of Measham Parish Council reported on HS2 route 4 proposal and other proposals and the impact on local businesses and other issues.

Cllr Grove stated that the meeting was now in session – no interruptions from the public.

18114 MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on August 20 2018 & extraordinary meeting held 30/08/18 - **RESOLVED** unanimous. Chairman signed the minutes as a true record of the proceedings.

18115 DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS – Nil to report.

18116 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 2222222. Crimestoppers, 0800 555 111, Weight Restriction reports to weight.restricted@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk

An accident on the A444 had caused the road to be closed.

18117 OAKTHORPE COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE UPDATE

a. Centre committee has ceased, this is in part due to legal restraints re financial matters and committee members lack of voting rights, members had agreed (unanimous) that members of the Parish Council will revert back to management of the Centre as they can vote on financial and other matters. Cllr Grove proposed, seconded by Cllr Dyason it was **RESOLVED** unanimous that members of the Parish Council run the Centre, with some assistance from members of the public and NWLDC where appropriate. Cllrs Grove, Dyason and Merry to review the diary to provide cover for holiday absence of the Centre Caretaker (from 5/10/18 to 20/10/18).

18118 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a. *18/00228/FUL 15 Canal Street Oakthorpe, demolition of existing dwelling & erection of 5 dwellings along with associated access & parking – object re access/egress, already tight re traffic in the area and also concerned that trees are already being removed.*
- b. *18/01333/FUL – The Grange, Donisthorpe, change of use from residential to business – object due to change of use, increased noise levels and traffic in a very residential area.*
- c. *18/01208/FUL land between 77 & 119 Ashby Rd Donisthorpe, erection of 8 detached dwellings with detached garages – object due to: Looking at the plans we approve that the houses are set back from road with their own road to access. We approve the addition of a footpath to the original road/lane as parents park along here to collect children from school - need to highlight and ensure the main road/lane (Ashby Rd) is not blocked during and after building the development for parking and access to school. As a PC do we really need more housing? If so school should get some money as class sizes are large. We are concerned about parking and knock on affect. Really would like to say no more houses –it’s on green land, presently equestrian. Interesting that the road accessing this site from behind is already there. As this is grass is there an environmental issue for this land? We also thought when the whole Hicks Lodge area sold off there was a 25yr no build on it. It should be noted that the planning applicant has disputed some of the comments above.*
- d. *18/01537/AGP 5 Church St Donisthorpe, erection of agricultural building – no comment.*
- e. *18/01383/REMM Home Farm 25 Main St Oakthorpe, erection of 28 dwellings & associated works – no comment.*

18119 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

- a. 57 Ashby Rd Donisthorpe, erection of two storey side extensions & raise existing roof – granted.
- b. Saltersford Farm Acresford, conversion of barns to 2 dwellings – granted.
- c. 24 New St Donisthorpe, erection of detached garage & alterations – granted.

18120 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES & THE CLERK

- a. **Speed traffic signs** – Measham PC will loan the sign to ODA PC, however information received from LCC Highways makes it a very complicated project – and they suggested ODA contact South Derbyshire Council as the most suitable area within Acresford comes under South Derbyshire – the Clerk has contacted SDC and Cllr Gelder is liaising re this matter.
- b. **HS2** – refer item 18112 third paragraph.
- c. **Canal Street Oakthorpe, land issues and fishing rights** – defer to October 2018.

- d. **Air Source pump** installation timetable and mitigating effects on householders – District Cllr Ashman will look into an amended timetable.
- e. **Defibrillators for the Parish** – Cllr Warren will provide costs and details at the October meeting.
- f. **Unitary proposals by LCC** – this item had been emailed to all members. Noted.
- g. **Village transport** solutions – following the cut backs of public transport, there is concern that people without their own transport are struggling. Cllr Grove to speak to County Cllr Sheahan re possible solutions.

18121 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) Notice of conclusion of annual audit was noted, Burial Board solutions re the external auditors comments will be looked at on 04/10/18.
- d) 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) Urgent roof repairs are required at Oakthorpe Centre – it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to allow the repairs to take place (under £100 costs agreed).
- h) Oakthorpe Centre fees and charges – following discussion it was agreed to pass this to the Finance Committee for their input, they will then pass suggestions to the Parish Council.

18122 THREE VIEWS NEWS ARTICLE – Cllr Warren for September 2018 and Cllr Gelder for October, Cllr Grove for November 2018.

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

18123 Confidential Item, exclusion of public and press

- a. HR committee update – noted.
- b. Ground maintenance contracts resolved – Cllr Warren proposed, seconded by Cllr Merry it was **RESOLVED** unanimous to give contracts to two of the suppliers who offered tenders; these will last for 3 years.
- c. Centre Caretaker update - all agreed re the job advertisement, and also that a proposal of one person working days and one working evenings (with flexibility built in) could be a good way forward.

The meeting moved out of confidential.

Meeting closed @ 8.35 pm

The date of the Parish Council meeting has been arranged for October 15 2018, Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre, 6.30 pm