Newton and Biggin Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Newton and Biggin Parish Council held at 8pm on 25th June 2015 at Newton Village Hall at 8pm.

1. Announcement read by Chair regarding recording or filming of parish council meeting: In the interests of openness and transparency, councillors and members of the public are reminded that the law permits any person to film, record, photograph or use social media in order to report on the proceedings of a meeting of the Council or its committees when they are open to the public. This does not extend to live verbal commentary.

Filming and photography will only be permitted from the area designated. No flash photography or additional lighting should be used without prior consent.

Anyone wishing to report on the meeting should notify the Clerk or Chairman so that they can be afforded reasonable facilities.

People under the age of 18 or other members of the public not wishing to be filmed or photographed should notify the Clerk or Chairman and should sit in the area designated for this purpose.

Improper conduct or any disruptive behaviour could result in expulsion from the meeting.

- **2. Present:** Cllrs Dave Carter, Chair (DC), Jim Hotten, Vice Chair (JH), Frank Preston (FP), Judith Leggatt (JL).
- 3. Apologies: Cllrs Ann Davies (AD), Leigh Hunt (LH)
- 4. Declarations of interest and dispensations
- a. To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda: None
- b. To receive written requests for the dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests: None
- c. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate: None
- 5. Survey implementation for the proposed development adjacent to The Leys: The planning application for the development of land adjacent to The Leys had been accepted by RBC and RBC are giving a 21 day consultation period before the planning application is discussed and a decision on whether to grant planning permission is given or not. As discussed at previous meetings it had been decided that the parish council would gather and consider the views of the villagers at two "Have Your Say" events, before discussing, agreeing and submitting any response to the planning application.
 DC proposed that two 2 hour sessions at the village hall would be organised on 16.07.15 at 5pm and on 23.07.15 at 5:30pm at the village hall. DC proposed the final version of the letter as below to detail the process and to be delivered to the residents most affected by the proposed development. JH seconded the proposal and all present were in favour.

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Development of The Leys Field

Have Your Say

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Dear resident(s),

You were all recently informed of a planning proposal for the Leys field to the North of the village and you may also have attended a presentation by the development agents, Strutt and Parker.

An application has now been lodged with Rugby Borough Council and due to the size of the potential development; Newton and Biggin Parish Council have decided to seek your views.

All village residents are encouraged to view the application regardless of whether you support or oppose the proposal, you can visit the village hall to view the plans and express your opinion(s) on either Thursday the 16th of July between 5:00 and 7:00 pm or Thursday the 23rd of July between 5:30 and 7:30 pm.

The Parish Council will use this consultation to help them formulate their response to the planning application, but residents are reminded that the Parish Council do not determine the outcome of the application, that decision lies with Rugby Borough Council's planning committee.

To view the application you can visit the Borough Council Planning portal at http://www.rugby.gov.uk/planning application number R14/1658, visit Rugby Borough Council offices between 9 and 5 Monday to Friday or, attend one of the sessions at the village hall.

Any views or opinions expressed at these sessions do not remove your right to respond directly to Rugby Borough Council on this matter. The closing date for comments to the Borough Council is on Tuesday the 28th of July.

DC, FP and JH volunteered to deliver the letters. FP and JL are to be present at the event on 16.07.15. DC and AD were to be present at the event on 23.07.15. FP was to book village hall.

- **6. Items for inclusion in next meeting:** FP wished to raise a letter from WCC that had been shown him, but not circulated to the parish council about a pavement being put in between The Leys and Newton Manor Lane.
 - DC requested that news of The Clifton and Newton Joint Burial Committee is discussed due to the rapidly changing personnel on Clifton Parish Council and how this affects the burial committee.
 - JH wished to discuss the picnic site and donation and purchasing of ply for the board walk construction. He was advised to get at least 2, if not 3 quotations.
 - JL asked the clerk to try and get n up to date copy of a plan showing footpaths in the village.
- **7.** Date and time of next meeting: 23rd July 2015 at 8pm, following the "Have Your Say" event at 5.30pm at the village Hall.