

Stapleford Community Action Team



Minutes of Meeting Albany School Thursday 19 July 2018

Present:

Cllr Richard MacRae	Broxtowe Borough Council	RM
Cllr John McGrath	Broxtowe Borough Council	JM
Cllr Jan Goold	Broxtowe Borough Council	JG
Cllr John Longdon	Broxtowe Borough Council	JL
Cllr Dave Pearson	Stapleford Town Council	DP
Cllr Amanda Hull	Stapleford Town Council	AH
Cllr Chris Rice	Broxtowe Borough Council	CR
Cllr Ray Darby	Broxtowe Borough Council	RD
lan Tyler	Bramcote Community Café	ΙΤ
Simon Frost	Neighbourhood Plan	SF

Apologies:

Cllr David Grindell, Cllr Brian Hull, Cllr Susan Roome

Residents:

19 residents attended

1. Welcome and Introduction

Unfortunately, the welcome and introduction to the meeting was disrupted by Cllr John Longdon insisting that he would be chairing the meeting – the meeting had been arranged by Cllr MacRae. In response to Cllr MacRae, Cllr Longdon said that "the only way you are going to stop me chairing this meeting, is to put me on the floor!"

Cllr Goold intervened and asked residents to vote for whom they wished to chair the meeting. Cllr MacRae received 14 votes to Cllr Longdon's 2 votes.

Cllr MacRae chaired the meeting and invited Cllr Longdon to stay, as he was a County Councillor, it would be useful to have him there to answer county specific questions.

RM welcomed residents to the meeting at Albany School and apologised.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Correction of Cllr Darby (not Derby)
CAB is still in Stapleford Care Centre and will remain there.

To resend councillor details again as case sensitive and corrections noted - below

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3. Police Update/Community Safety Update

Police not in attendance, however, they will try to attend future meetings when possible. Inspector Simon Riley's Blog - click on link below.

https://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/neighbourhood/stapleford

Three people have been arrested in Broxtowe South for burglary.

There have been issues with social media posts for anti-social behaviour as they do not appear to be logged with the Police. If residents are aware of crimes they must report through 101 or Crime Stoppers as Facebook is 'hearsay' and not admissible in court.

Considerable discussion followed with regard to reporting crime to the Police as fear of repercussions was very real to residents. JG reinforced the need for residents to report crime; fear should not stand in the way of this. Residents continued to reinforce the concept of fear in doing so.

JG gave an overview of the new police structure – 5 new sergeants, CID, rapid response team and is in contact with Paddy Tipping (Police and Crime Commissioner).

ACTION: if residents have questions for Paddy please send them to JG.

ACTION: JG to find out exact numbers of Police etc for Broxtowe/Stapleford for next meeting (including if Stapleford are to have an off road motorbike officer – as locals causing havoc a resident reports).

Residents understood the pressures that the police face but were not entirely happy at response times. Moreover a resident reported that they contacted the police 5 times about youths running though people's gardens and explained that the police responded by saying they were too busy to respond.

Various examples of anti-social behaviour were discussed eg housing (victim asked if they could move house). RM explained that Housing try to correct people's behaviour rather than throw them out. Woman who reported a crime to the police was beaten up and threatened with rape if she spoke again.

A resident asked if there was a dedicated team at Broxtowe Borough Council to deal with issues. RM, as described with housing, there is a team but there needs to be evidence and a case built up and to work with other partners including the Police. JG explained that there are teams and measures in place. A resident expressed that these need to be better/stronger/quicker at responding and that as Councillors, they should be able to enable this.

Mental Health issues are the NHS responsibility not the Police's. Broxtowe Borough Council has set up a cross party mental health group to discuss the way forward for mental health across Broxtowe.

A resident asked about Neighbourhood Watch as there used to be one in Stapleford. This may help in reporting crimes to the Police through them.

A resident expressed that they would like to see more police officers walking the beat rather in cars. RM explained that plain clothed officers do walk the beat.

RM discussed a couple of projects that he is involved with in turning around the "naughty kids". Two have returned to school and another has secured a job as a mechanic.

ACTION: RM to review the school summer holiday period at the next meeting.

Residents are encouraged to report crime through 101, so that the numbers add up and support police action.

ACTION: RM will look at what other local authorities are doing.

ACTION: JM expressed that Councillors, Police and Local Authority must meet to look at this and find ways to overcome the profound fear issues.

ACTION: RM to invite Sue Sambells to next meeting for Neighbourhood Watch.

4. Neighbourhood Plan

Residents have been consulted on the Neighbourhood Plan for Stapleford. Three consultation meetings were held; William Lilley School, Montrose Court and the Council Offices. Lots of people wanted to keep "green space" and not have houses built. There will need to be flexibility in this and compromises may need to be made or alternative suggestions offered.

The plan will be ready to be submitted to Broxtowe Borough Council in the next 6 – 8 weeks for review.

Examples of money being spent on improving parks discussed eg Central Avenue Park received £1,000 from the Leader of Broxtowe Borough Council. Also, Stapleford Community Group, BBC and football club working together to improve Hickings Lane.

5. Bramcote Café

In April 2016 a Community Interest Company (CIC) was formed – Bramcote Hills Park Community Café. It is not just a Bramcote facing organisation as there is a 5 mile wide radius around the Bramcote area. Approximately 5,500 people use the park each week, therefore a café would be very useful particularly the toilets. The design will accommodate any disability – will have hoists etc.

Eleven architects submitted designs. At the last minute the company selected for the design and build pulled out and therefore tenders are still being sought.

The preferred location for the café is to have a veranda with access to the children's play area.

Whilst an Awards for All, National Lottery grant of £10,000 has been achieved it will cost approximately £550,000 to build the café. The CIC has been doing a number of fund raising events to raise funds – all contributions and ideas welcome.

lan is happy to update at future meetings on the café progress

6. Residents' Concerns

No news on the Aldi development. Aldi has not released a public statement, but Councillors will keep checking. A 3,000 signature petition was handed to Broxtowe Borough Council and residents wrote personal letters to BBC but BBC had voted against the development. CR spoke with Anna Soubry. Councillors to update when clarity is reached.

A resident heard JM speaking at a meeting last night about the 20mph speed limit through Stapleford town centre and asked JL why he had vetoed it. JL explained that this was not true as it was brought up today at a meeting. The resident and JM confirmed back to JL that he will back the 20 mph limit. JL confirmed that he would support the motion.

SF suggested that the speed limit would be unenforceable and that changing the street furniture may be a way forward to slow traffic.

ACTION: new Town Clerk to get an update on Aldi and put on Stapleford Town council website.

ACTION: Councillors to take to Traffic and Transport Committee tomorrow, the 20mph limit and extending the double yellow lines at Pinfold Lane. Also, to take to this committee the double yellow lines at the Co-Op and the issue of 7.5 tonne

trucks using the road/obstructions. JM invited JL and Cllr Dr John Doddy to take the issue forward and report back at the earliest convenience/next meeting.

7. Date of next meeting

Thursday 18 October 2018, venue to be confirmed.

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