

# **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.30pm**  
**at Cold Ashby Village Hall.**

## **Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors Roper, Harpham, RD Williams, RL Williams, Bailey, Peel  
5 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by the council and a member of the public.

Meeting started: 19:30

Meeting ended: 20:38

**24.03.1 - Apologies:** Cllr Taylor – approved.

**24.03.2 - Minutes:** It was resolved to **approve** minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**24.03.3 - Matters arising:** none.

**24.03.4 - Open forum:**

Representations were made on the following:

- Planning application 2024/0658/FULL.
- The Black Horse public house.
- 59/60 Bus.
- The Parish Council supporting the village.

\*Due to public attendance at the meeting the chairman moved to item 7 of the agenda before returning to item 5.

**24.03.5 – Parish Council Noticeboard:** film only.

**24.03.6 – Accounts:** It was resolved to **approve** the accounts for March.

**24.03.7 – Planning applications:**

**Pebble Cottage, Church Lane. 2024/0658/FULL:**

Cllr Bailey commented on previous photographic evidence of a double sided fence and questioned whether the access path is owned. Cllr Bailey also commented regarding positioning of windows and whether this would cause neighbouring properties to be overlooked.

Cllr Harpham supported the observations made by Highways in relation to the application, this comment was supported by all councillors present.

Cllr Roper raised access concerns, covering an existing manhole, the height of the building and whether the development was in front of the building line. Cllr Roper also observed the application stated there was no off road parking, which is not correct.

**It was resolved** that **the clerk** will formulate a response and circulate to councillors via email for approval before sending to WNC.

**Cedars Farm, Thornby Road. 2024/0615/FULL:**

Cllr Bailey made observations on the alteration to the road access and the properties in the revised plans being more attractive.

Cllr Harpham observed the revised plans will dismantle an old property.

**It was resolved** that **the clerk** will communicate “no observations” to WNC.

**24.03.8 – Replacement of Clerk:** 3 candidates to be interviewed 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

**24.03.9 – 59/60 Bus:** Cllr Roper has received requests from the village to consider supporting the bus service to Market Harborough one day per week (Friday). A cost estimate has been obtained at £742.56. **It was resolved** to authorise this expenditure from the Special Projects budget.

**24.03.10 - Traffic & Accidents:** Cllr RD Williams attended a meeting with Cllr Kevin Parker and Highways regarding traffic and accident issues, particularly on main street to the A5199. Carriageway issues, water on the road, speed limits, traffic direction and inadequate signage were discussed.

Agreed actions:

Gulley to be cleared to reduce water on the road.

Grips to be recut on the road out of Cold Ashby to the A5199.

Chevrons to be replaced and an additional Chevron to be sited.

Bend warning sign to be sited.

SLOW road marking to be added.

Lines to be re-painted – edge and centre.

Pot hole to be fixed.

Consider an application to the speed panel to reduce speed to 20mph.

**24.03.11 - West Northants Local Plan: Parish Engagement – It was resolved** that the Chairman and clerk would compose a response and share with councillors to review and approve offline. **The clerk** to recirculate email with attachments.

**24.03.12 – Environment:**

WNC street sweeper has been to the village as requested. **The clerk** to make a note to request in September (after harvest) and March (after frost) every year.

Motocross at J1 of A5199 – residents are encouraged to keep reporting instances of anti social behaviour to Northants Police either online or by calling 101.

Litter Pick: Councillors are suggesting a village litter pick. **The clerk** to confirm whether regular collections can be arranged.

**24.03.13 - Verbal Reports:**

Village Hall: Council was updated that the village hall accounts are improving.

CAPFA: AGM scheduled for the last Tuesday of the month. CAPFA are looking for a treasurer or bookkeeper.

**24.03.14 - Post:** none.



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