

CASTLE DONINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Amenities Meeting held on Thursday 9 February 2017 at 7.30pm at the
Parish Rooms, Hillside, Castle Donington

PRESENT: Cllrs M Barker-Lane, C Burton, G Dalby, D Groome, R Nickless, (in the chair), G Roberts, A Saffell, R Sizer, A Sowter and D Wintle.

APOLOGIES: Cllr Ambrose-Jones (work), R Else (work) and C Hills (work).

ABSENT: Cllr N Daykin

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : Cllr A Saffell declared a pecuniary interest in terms of he supplies the sound system for various events.

632/17 TO INVITE NEW COUNCILLOR TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: Cllr D Groom wishes to be a member of this committee.

632/17 EVENT UPDATES

- a) Historic Cars Cavalcade – Cllr R Nickless updated the Parish Council that the event at Donington Park had changed dates to take place on the Friday to Sunday therefore unable to accommodate the event in the village. However, following a meeting with Donington Park the plan is to hold a “village event” at the park this year on proof of residency. Going forward there maybe the opportunity is to hold a different event i.e. sports cars with date to be confirmed. Local business ae to be contacted as to whether they wish to produce a voucher to promote their business at the “village event”. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
- b) Mediaeval May Market – 1 May 2017 – All progressing well. The Clerk advised that a May Queen is required for the event; the difficulty in this process was discussed. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to contact the local primary schools as it was felt that the younger age might be more interested in undertaking the duty, potentially with a couple of the girls sharing the day.
- c) Community Litter Pick – Saturday 13 May 2017 has been scheduled for the litter pick. Cllr D Groom commented on the amount of litter at Pinfold Gardens on a regular basis. The Clerk advised that the Lengthsman cleared the area on a regular basis and that a litter bin is located on the pavement. **RESOLVED:** To place a litter bin by the shelter on Pinfold Gardens.
- d) Chairman’s Annual Dinner – Friday 28 April 2017, venue to be confirmed. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
- e) g) and h) Celebration of Volunteers/Civic Service and Official Opening of the Community Hub – The Clerk suggested combining the Celebration of Volunteers, official opening of the Hub and Civic service into one event on Sunday 10 September and discussion took place. **RESOLVED:** The Parish Council agreed to combine Celebration of Volunteers and the official opening of the Community Hub. **RESOLVED:** Civic Service to be decided by the Chairman.
- f) Music in the Park – Sunday 2 July 2017 – Cllr R Nickless and the Clerk had looked at Adele and Bruno Mars tribute acts on recommendation of Henderson Management plus local band interest and had approached Rolls Royce brass band. Staging and Lionel Vinyl are booked. **RESOLVED:** To approve the tribute acts and receive the information.
- i) Wakes – 25 – 28 October 2017. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
- j) Christmas Cheer/Christmas Eve event/lights/request from Rotary to explore planting of real Christmas tree in the Market Place

- Christmas Cheer is to be held on Friday 2 December 2017. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
- Christmas Eve event – The Clerk had attended the Christmas Eve event held in the Market Place and raised concerns regarding residents spilling over in to the open road even though there is a road closure in place under Parish Council’s order. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to arrange a meeting with the Rotary Club to discuss how to improve the safety of the event.
- Planting of real Christmas tree in Market Place – Discussion took place regarding the request from Rotary Club to plant a real Christmas tree in the Market Place. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk is to meet with the Rotary Club to discuss the request, however the Parish Council is not favourable due to various reasons particularly the other events.

633/17 CEMETERY

- a) To approve works to footpath in conjunction with works at Moira Dale and Stone hill playing fields. **RESOLVED:** - To complete the works as discussed.
- b) Update in planned works to graves following on from last inspection. The Clerks advised that works required are ongoing. **RESOLVED:** To receive the information.
- c) German War Graves – Suggestion to look at the stones marked with all the names as currently they don’t really enhance the area. Cllr R Nickless recommended a suggestion to have a plaque installed with a list of the names and to clean the stones. **RESOLVED:** To approve the installation of a name plaque and to clean the stones.

Meeting closed at 9.09pm