

**Minutes of a meeting of Costock Parish Council held on Wednesday November 21, 2018
in the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

Couns. Mrs Kath Owen (chairman)
Everard Robinson Phil Lilley Mrs Sharon Wilson (A)
Peter Gordon John Young Michael Mears

Also present the clerk Mike Elliott.

1. APOLOGIES Cllr Sharon Wilson
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 17, 2018 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
4. CLERK'S REPORT
The clerk reported on an Email scam which had called for the council in the name of the chairman to pay an account of £637. The emails concerned had not originated from the chairman and no payment had been made. The clerk was asked to report the matter to the police fraud line.
Burnt out car on Loughborough Road layby. Police are aware and have traced owner. It is understood the car had been stolen.
The village hall fence and gate had been repaired.
WW1 event held on November 11 had, reported the chairman, been a very successful community event and good numbers had attended the special service in Church and then visited the village hall for refreshments.
Nottinghamshire Archives had supplied the clerk with a list of items they held on Costock including the original minute book dating back to 1894.
Discussion took place on the provision of the new flagpole placed in the Pinfold which the chairman said had drawn many complimentary comments. The question of the arrangement for use of the adjacent land would be decided when the chairman had completed checking the contents of the file on this matter.
5. REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER
There was no report.
6. DEFIBRILATOR
Coun. Gordon said he continued to check the unit and there were no problems. He would make contact with the licensee once the village public house, where the unit is affixed to the outside wall, was open again.
7. VILLAGE HALL
The meeting agreed that the council should purchase a filing cabinet for placing in the village hall in which to store various council items, including the council flag. Coun. Lilley would look to purchasing the cabinet. It was agreed to have the flagpole on the village hall removed and the clerk was asked to arrange this.
8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
There was nothing further to report.
9. CORRESPONDENCE
Notts County Council Local Improvement scheme papers had been obtained. It was intended to make an application towards the cost of proposed new play equipment. The matter would be discussed in detail at the January meeting. The meeting was told that the village school were proposing a Garden Club for pupils and the council were asked on the possibility of giving some funding to help it start up. The clerk was to check on the question of funding for educational premises.

Grasshopper Hosting wrote regarding the website and the two other village websites which they suggested might be taken down. The website controllers said publicity should be given to the website on notice boards and the clerk was asked to arrange this. They also asked for some advertising of the site to appear on council notepaper and again the clerk was asked to organise this. Rushcliffe Borough Council Enforcement Officer Gary Longstaff apologised for suggesting the new flagpole needed planning permission. He confirmed it did not.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

No applications or decisions

11. PLAYING FIELD

The question of new play equipment for the field was discussed. The clerk was asked to see which firm had supplied their equipment. The chairman said a representative of ComPlan had arranged to talk to her about what might be provided. Comments from pupils at the school which were being obtained by Coun. Wilson were awaited.

Mr Graham Hunt was to organise the Boxing Day football match.

12. NATURE RESERVE

Coun. Robinson updated the council on the Reserve and said the small pond now had some water in it and it was hoped it would hold it all year. Ninety-five bird boxes had been obtained and eventually there were plans for bat boxes as well. The work for the gate at the Reserve to replace the stile had taken place.

Coun. Robinson said in all the Reserve had experienced a very successful year.

13. FINANCE

ACCOUNTS TO PAY were approved as per the circulated list

14. WEBSITE

There was nothing further to report.

15. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

A suggestion was made by Coun. Mears there was need for at least one more lighting column on Leake Road near to Barrs Hill. The clerk was asked to check if permission had been given by the Borough council for the removal of trees that had taken place on land adjacent to the north of Tall Trees nursery.

16. QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL

Coun. Gordon asked for publicity to be given to the Memory Café being held in East Leake parish council offices each Tuesday from 10-30 to 12noon. The item would be put on the village notice boards and website. The clerk was asked to report the traffic speed sign on Leake road was not working.

17. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING It was agreed the meeting for December be not held. On the next agenda would be the question of traffic speeding and the need for police checks to be taken.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-50pm.