

# GLAPTHORN PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of an Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Main Street on Wednesday 13 December 2017 at 7.30 pm**

Present: Cllr. Malcolm Moss (Chairman); Cllr. Nick Knowles; Cllr. Ian Hood; Cllr. Liz Wilkinson  
Cllr. Mike Newton and Cllr. Roy Kerr.

In attendance: Alan Tresadern (Clerk); and 11 members of the public.

1. Apologies:

Parish Councillor Cllr. Tim Hunt. was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

2. Declaration of interest:

Cllr. Moss declared a personal interest in item 7 as he has land under consideration as 'local green space', in the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr. Wilkinson declared a personal interest in items 7 as her family owns land adjacent to sites considered by the Neighbourhood Plan group. Cllr. Wilkinson also declared an interest in item 9 as her family own the land under consideration.

3. Public forum:

Colin Morris said he is concerned that the planning application for White Cottage, item 4, may eventually go before the ENC planning committee. He based his concerns on the fact that a previous application for a similar plan, Highfield Lodge, was passed by ENC Councillors after rejection by the Parish Council. Therefore, he asked if a senior person from the Parish Council will attend the meeting, if it goes before the Committee? Colin Morris also asked if the Parish Council will seek the support of the District Councillor and MP Tom Pursglove.

Chairman Cllr. Malcolm Moss assured Colin Morris that the council will engage with the ENC planning committee if necessary, the District Councillor is aware of the application and the MP, Tom Pursglove had been appraised of the Parish Council position.

Sandra Philpot asked if the council were aware that Roger Bettley was using Nigel Bewick's land adjoining the site behind 3 Main Street and did he have permission.

Chairman Cllr. Moss said the council is aware. Cllr. Mike Newton said, he has met with Roger Bettley who has procured a small piece of the Bewick land to regularise the boundary of his building plot. Cllr. Newton also said, Roger Bettley is aware that he requires permission for change of use of the land.

4. Planning matters:

The following NEW Planning Applications, were considered:

- 4.1. 17/02358/OUT - Outline: Erection of new four-bedroom dwelling, works to include demolition of existing garage and erection of replacement garage for existing dwelling: some matters reserved (except access, scale and layout). at The White Cottage Main Street.

*The members considered the application taking into account both existing policies and the emerging Glapthorn Neighbourhood Plan. Members decided not to support the application and it was resolved to authorise the Clerk to submit a*

response in line with a note prepared by the GNPG – full copy attached and/or on the website.

In summary, the members agreed the proposed development:

- *Is not necessary to meet Glapthorn's or other local housing need*
- *Is not in-fill development but back-fill use of a rear garden*
- *Is counter to the community's wish to maintain the linear character of Glapthorn*
- *Creates an unacceptable precedent for use of rear gardens*
- *Would redefine the village settlement boundary in a manner which is counter to the expressed view of the community.*
- *The Glapthorn NP should be given significant weight as a material consideration.*

#### 4.2. Decisions on Previous Planning Applications – None.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting, held on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr. Roy Kerr, seconded by Cllr. Nick Knowles.

6. Projector

It was resolved to approve an overspend of £25 for the purchase a projector and wireless adapter, previously approved under minute 13/15/17 on 21st September 2017 at a cost of £420 plus VAT. Actual cost £445.

Proposed by Cllr. Ian Hood, seconded by Cllr. Mike Newton.

7. Report from Glapthorn Neighbourhood Plan Group (GNPG) – approval of the draft plan:

The Chairman opened the item by proposing members record a vote of thanks to Alan Barnish, Clerk to the GNPG and the other members of the group, for their sterling work in bringing the Neighbourhood Plan to this stage. The proposal was supported unanimously.

Proposed by Cllr. Mike Newton, seconded by Cllr. Nick Knowles.

Cllr. Liz Wilkinson said she still had issues with the plan, namely the emphasis on Glapthorn village maintaining its linear character whilst a number of the proposed sites do not follow the linear building line. Secondly Cllr. Wilkinson said she thought the extension to the Braesby site will take away valuable open space, something also important to the character of Glapthorn.

It was resolved to accept a recommendation by the Glapthorn Neighbourhood Planning Group (GNPG), an advisory committee of the council, to approve the Glapthorn Neighbourhood Plan, with the Policies Map and other documents listed below, for submission to East Northamptonshire Council for publication and consultation under Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Proposed by Cllr. Malcolm Moss, seconded by Cllr. Mike Newton and carried by five votes to nil with one abstention.

Other documents:

Appendices 1 to 5 (including Site Assessments Report)

Basic Conditions Statement

Consultation Report including HRA, SEA and EIA and responses to Regulation 14 Consultation.

Planning Policies Base.

8. NCC consultations on Libraries and other matters – an update:  
The Clerk reported on a conversation he had with County Councillor Heather Smith, Oundle Ward. During their talk the Clerk had been reassured that if, following NCC consultations now or in the future, Oundle Library was to be earmarked for closure, Cllr. Smith would support the community in trying to keep the library open. Meanwhile, Cllr. Smith had indicated to the Clerk that the closure of Oundle Library would only be considered during the current phase of consultations if NCC elect to support Option 3 (which in Cllr. Smith's opinion is less likely).
9. Report from Recreational Land Procurement Group (RLPG):  
Cllr. Nick Knowles presented a report on the activity of the RLPG. He reported that a detailed budget is being prepared as part of the overall 'plan'; and confirmed that in the near future the project will be put to the community, for the council to seek a mandate to proceed further with the venture. Cllr. Knowles added, to date, the committee has received letters of support from Glapthorn School and the County Education Authority.
10. Flood Warden's report  
Cllr. Malcom Moss, the Flood Warden, reported there will be a public meeting to be held on Thursday 8th March at 7.30 pm when NCC will advise the community of the findings of Glapthorn's walk round survey by the 'Flood' engineer. The presentation will include an assessment of flood risk, mapping of assets, maintenance plans and recommendations.
11. Report from Traffic Calming Scheme:  
Nothing to report.
12. Finance:
- 12.1. The Clerk explained that the draft budget included an increase in the Precept of £400 which will be funded by the increase in the 2018-19 council tax base. (In 2017-18 the council tax base was 134; in 2018-19, due to the new houses being built at sites such as Braesby and 3 Main Street, it will be 140). There will be no increase to the Glapthorn Parish element of council tax. It was resolved to approve and accept the draft budget for 2018-19. Approval of the FINAL budget will be in January. Approved unanimously.  
Proposed by Cllr. Nick Knowles and seconded by Cllr. Roy Kerr:
- 12.2. The following receipts and payments were approved.  
Proposed by Cllr. Ian Hood and seconded by Cllr. Roy Kerr:

Receipts:

Date	Payer	Details	Amount £
23-Oct	NCC	Grant towards grass maintenance	309.28

Payments:

Date	Payee	Details	Amount £
09-Nov	Just Projectors	Projector and Wireless adapter	534.00
01-Dec	County Life Ltd	NVN delivery	23.84
04-Dec	CMPS Woodnewton	Architect drawings for RLPG	250.00
04-Dec	Colemans	Stationery (£71.48 is GNPG)	86.47
04-Dec	Kirkwells	Neighbourhood Plan consultants fee	1134.00
13-Dec	AP Tresadern	Additional hours in support of GNPG	74.05

13. Matters for future consideration. (AOB):  
None.
14. Dates for forthcoming meetings:  
It was resolved to switch the regular meeting day back to Thursday, with immediate effect. The next meeting, which will be an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting, and will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
15. Closure  
There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.25 pm.

Signed..... (Chairman)

Date.....

**NB: Copies of full reports are available on the village website, [www.glaphorn.org.uk](http://www.glaphorn.org.uk), or from the Clerk, by arrangement.**