



Castlethorpe Parish Council

Parish Council General Meeting to be held
online on Monday 6TH April 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Dear Parishioners

A General Meeting of Castlethorpe Parish Council will be held on the above date & time **by video conference** when the business set out below will be transacted.

Meeting participants should have Zoom installed on their device <https://zoom.us/support/download> and need to enter: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/816445429>

This will take them into the meeting. Please ensure that 'Video' and 'audio' is set to 'on' when joining the meeting.

Councillors wishing to phone into the meeting can dial one of the following numbers:

0203 481 5240

0208 080 6591

0208 080 6592

0330 088 5830

0131 460 1196

and then enter the meeting ID: 816 445 429 when prompted.

The meeting will be preceded by an Open Forum (15 minutes if necessary)

Steve Bradbury

Clerk to the Parish Council

Phone: 01908 337928 or email: clerk@castlethorpe-pc.gov.uk

- 1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST by Councillors in any of the agenda items below**
- 3 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**
 - 3.1. To agree the minutes of the General Meeting of the 2nd March 2020 as a true record.
- 4 TO RECEIVE REPORTS.**
 - 4.1. Clerks Report & Review of Actions. *(to be circulated prior to meeting)*
 - 4.2. Neighbourhood Plan update *(to be given verbally at meeting by Cllr Ayles)*
 - 4.3. MEETING NOTE - Chris Hales, MKC Streetlighting, 4th March 2020
Streetlight Conversion to LED **(see Appendix A2)**
 - 4.4. Neighbourhood Planning Seminar 4th March 2020 **(see Appendix A3)**
- 5 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS (previously viewed on line by Cllrs)**
 - 5.1. None
- 6 TO RECEIVE REPORT BACK ON PREVIOUS PLANNING APPLICATION**
 - 6.1. **20/00272/FUL** - Change of use from agriculture to B8 Bartholomew Farm Wolverton Road Castlethorpe - **refused**
 - 6.2. **20/00389/TCA** - T6 - Sycamore - Sectional fell using rigging operations due to proximity of tree to grade 2 listed property effecting foundations/drains and deterioration of thatched roof. The Thatched Barn Hanslope Road Castlethorpe - **refused**
 - 6.3. **19/02444/REM** - Reserved matters application for the erection of 31 dwellings, to include matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for which approval is being sought. Land To The East of Maltings Field Planning Inspectorate have allowed appeal. Awaiting allocation of a Planning Inspector.
- 7 TO CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS**
 - 7.1. To consider installing CCTV in the Village Hall (Cllr Forgham)
 - 7.2. To comment on MKC Strategy for 2050 Engagement Draft – please see <https://www.mkfutures2050.com/>
 - 7.3. To consider replacement of gate post of Thrupp Gate onto Castle Field (Cllr Ayles)
 - 7.4. To consider actions arising from the impact of the COVID-19 virus on village facilities (Cllr Ayles)
 - 7.5. To write to Planning under the approved applications for the Cuckoo Hill and Malt Mill developments to ask that the Construction Traffic Management Plans direct traffic away from North Street (Cllr Ayles)

- 8 **TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL MATTERS (circulated prior to meeting)**
- 8.1. To approve the RFO payments schedule.
- 8.2. To consider making payments by BACS transfer (Cllr Ayles)
- 8.3. To consider s.106 draw down claim for village centre improvements (Cllr Ayles)
- 9 **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (email circulated prior to meeting)**
- 9.1. Community Action MK have provided a toolkit to consider during the COVI D-19 virus
- 9.2. Community Learning MK – Youth MK are inviting nominations for the Mayors Award to recognise Citizenship and Democracy activities done by young people in the community.
- 10 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS (for noting, or for inclusion on a future agenda)**
- 10.1 Bucks Best Kept Village competition cancelled for 2020
- 11 **TO AGREE DATE AND ATTENDANCE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS**
- 11.1 Next General Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 11th May 2020 and will be conducted by video conference

Appendix A – Schedule of Reports & File Notes

1. Clerk's Report (item 4.1)

To be circulated prior to meeting

2. MEETING NOTE - Chris Hales, MKC Streetlighting, 4th March 2020 Streetlight Conversion to LED

Cllr Philip Ayles, Steve Bradbury and Chris Hales (MKC)

Chris was supportive of more appropriate streetlighting columns and lanterns in our rural setting. We discussed two groups of lights;

- Station Road (16 lights) and Bullington End Road (5 lights). These are the main access routes into the village. Wolverton Road has three non-heritage by the build out but this is outside the village proper and we suggest these are left. Hanslope Road is fully heritage style already.

Chris will prepare an upgrade cost to convert these to heritage style when the LED upgrade happens in 2021/22. The cost will be the difference between what MKC would have paid and the cost of a heritage light.

Should there be streetlight damage in the interim (as at the church or in Station Rd recently), they will let us know so they can be replaced with heritage style should we wish.

The estates. Lodge Farm Court already has a 'round heritage' style and Chris said the lanterns can simply be upgraded to LED.

On the other estates, Chris will look at options. It may be possible to cut the Thrupp Close columns back to vertical and put a Lodge Farm Court style lantern on. Note some the columns need re-painting,

In The Chequers and Shepperton, this wouldn't be possible but Chris will send us some options for a more rural style.

Obviously, this will all depend on cost and what we can afford. We should start looking at potential grants so we are ready to go.

Philip Ayles

3. Neighbourhood Planning Seminar 4th March 2020

There were three presentations.

The first was by Annabel Osborne from Locality. In fairness, she was fairly neutral about themselves as a supplier, though there was a passing reference to AECOM and a comment that, because technical support was free, they could make their grant go further. The bulk of her presentation was a fairly pedestrian walk through the NP process. I asked her for her comments on making Modifications to an existing NP as opposed to writing a new one particularly with regard to uncertainty over a 5YHLS and she ducked badly referring to their website which really only has a one page summary of the process.

The second was by Andrew Ashcroft. He said that the big changes over the three years he has been examining were mainly the gaining of experience and also a heavier touch as developers started legal challenges and examiners sought to protect themselves. He made a point strongly that an Examiner only deals through the LPA and will not contact the NP Steering Group. For sport, I asked him if he would speak to objectors and he was adamant that he wouldn't - of course, our two Examiners did indeed listen to objectors despite that Andrew said that the examinations was mainly a book exercise of checking it against the Basic Conditions.

The final presentation was from Sharon Bridglalsingh, MKC Legal Director. She didn't really add much though she did make the valuable points that NP Policies, once adopted, have the same authority as Local Plan Policies and indeed, when the issue is non-strategic, take precedence over the Local Plan.

Philip Ayles