Public Forum
There were no members of the public present.

Present:
Councillors: C Atter, D Cox, J Walden, C Russell, C Hainsworth, J Weston, A Carsley, F Selby, D Bellamy, G Henton, M Cooper, Bill Scorer.
District Councillor Bob Adams, District Councillor Andrea Webster

Parish Clerk: Dawn Redmile

All Parish Councillors are reminded that by law they are summoned to attend all Parish Council meetings. If they are unable to attend they must advise the Parish Clerk with a reason for non-attendance preferably before the meeting from which they will be absent – failure to forward this information means a Parish Councillor is shown as absent.

1. Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman
It was proposed and seconded that the current Chairman Derek Cox & Vice Chairman John Walden, remain the same for 2017.

2. Chairman’s remarks
Chairman welcomed the new Parish Clerk Dawn Redmile.

3. Apologies for absence and reasons given
Cllr Alan Wood and Cllr Dean Colyer (family)

4. To receive declaration of interest in accordance with LGA 2000
None

5. Minutes of the previous meeting
Please note the minutes are distributed in note form each month to all Parish Councillors so that they may make comments and alterations via the Parish Clerk thus saving valuable time at the Parish Council’s next meeting when approving the minutes.

6. Clerk’s Report and items arising from the Minutes
a) North Witham speed restriction of 40mph has been approved. We now await a start date.
b) Allotments. There are four spare allotments at Stamford Road.
c) Stoke Rochford Post Office has notified us of a temporary closure.
d) PC insurance renewal June 1st – we have added the Youth Club to the property portfolio and contents.

7. Nature Trail
The council approved the repairs of the culvert £1000.

8. Projects/Priorities 2017-18
The stone building next the White Lion
Police Station
Extension playground Youth Club

9. Neighbourhood Plan
Colin Russell reported that everything was on track and we are just waiting the report from the Independent Examiner. The website is still open and has been renewed for an additional year.
www.southkesteven.gov.uk/colsterworthanddistrictneighbourhoodplan.

10. Group Reports
Road Traffic Group (RTG) report is appended. It was greed that yellow lines at the bottom of Back Lane in front of the forge could be explored as a first priority.
The full report is appended at the foot of these minutes.

11. Correspondence
Colsterworth & District Gardeners Assoc thanked the PC for the grant to plant flowers on the Church railings.
12. Planning Applications

The following applications were received:
LCC Planning – there were no LCC planning applications.

SKDC PLANNING
The following applications were received:
S17/0630 M Bamber – Replace broken pantiles with similar replacements. Replace and renew lead valleys and gulleys if needed and fix pantiles more securely to battens. The Old Rectory, North Witham.

S17/0227 A Pickersgill Reduce crown of both stems by 3m and further works to Sycamore 13 Back Lane, Colsterworth.

SKDC Planning Permission Approval
S17/0366 Mr Cliff Banks Removal of conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension and decking, 8 Stamford Road, Colsterworth.

S17/0227 A Pickersgill Reduce crown of both stems by 3m and further works to Sycamore 13 Back Lane, Colsterworth.

S17/0273 N Carter Erection of single storey side extension, 18 Turner Close, Colsterworth.
S17/0315 C Duggan Erection of a two storey detached dwelling with attic accommodation, revised turning head and standalone garage, 11 School Lane, Colsterworth.

SKDC Planning Appeal
None

13. FINANCE: Accounts for Payment

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APPROVED by Parish Council

Summary of Accounts:
Income 18436.40
Expenditure 6265.78
Surplus/Deficit £ 12170.62

Awaiting Bank Statement
HSBC: Community Account Estimated 48629.66
Community Savings Account 4,160.24
Total £ 52,789.90

Included in the above balances:
Community Fund 169.81
Nature Trail (I Hart tree removal and steps) 1,820.00
Nature Trail (D Ostler culvert repairs) 1,000.00
Newton Project 1,000.00
a) The Annual Governance Statement 2016/17
b) Annual Accounting Statements
c) Accounts for payment
Were signed off by the Chairman and will be submitted to Grant Thornton.

14. Any Other Business
Look at the possibility of children crossing signs on Colster Way with the increased use of the play park.
Produce a template for the playground inspections
Check the condition of trees on Woodland Drive

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.24 pm

Signed Chairman

THE DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS AT 7.30PM ON THE 6th June 2017

Attendance to date (May to April – annual maximum 10)

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ROAD TRAFFIC GROUP
REPORT TO PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 04 APRIL 2017

This is an update on the work being carried out by the Road Traffic Group during March 2017.

ACTION: The Parish Council is asked to approve the proposals made in this report for ongoing support and actions for 2017/2018 based on the evidence provided in previous reports and in response to residents.

These proposals are asking for support (including a financial commitment) from the Parish Council and Local Authorities and any other funding opportunities that can be identified to promote safety and management of the road infrastructure and address concerns relating to pollution, the environment and cultural and historical priorities for the Parish.

Another main priority and benefit is to ensure continued community engagement.

PROPOSAL 1:

Request a meeting with our elected County and District Councillors and any identified Officers of LCC and SKDC along with Police and other interested/supportive agencies to identify and understand opportunities and restrictions on taking forward all the issues identified for 2017/2018

1. North Witham

The issues relating to the speed limits at North Witham has been agreed previously as the main priority for the Parish Council

During March 2017 LCC has confirmed that they will be reviewing this as there had been no formal agreement made by them to implement this.
No cost implications identified for the Parish Council

2. Stainby

Monitoring has continued with attendance by our local PCSOs
Excessive speeding has been reported to PCSO; fastest recorded being 73mph

PROPOSAL 2:
Install permanent “Community Speed Watch Area” signs into and out of Stainby
Install flashing speed signs to capture data as recommended by the Road Safety Partnership/RoSPA
Ensure all signs are cleaned and in full sight (including road markings)
HGVs continue to be an issue and is linked to actions being taken in relation to the B676
Anticipated costs: £5,000.00

3. B676

Speeding, HGVs (size, type and volume), road maintenance and flooding continues to be a problem on the B676 from crossroads to the A1 (both directions). It has also been identified that the type and placement of the flashing speed signs is inefficient.

PROPOSAL 3:
Take advice and support from VOSA to identify and Regulations etc. relating to concerns about HGVs (meeting set for 03 May 2017 with Cllr Hainsworth
Continue monitoring and reporting to contractors identified to establish communications and engagement to understand the commercial requirements for using B676 rather than A roads
Review signage type and placement and road marking with a view to install more effective signage
Feed into Local Authorities regarding maintenance programme/priorities etc.
Anticipated Costs: £4,000

4. High Street

The concerns regarding parking and speeding an impact on safety, particularly to children remains a concern along the whole of the High Street down through to Bridge End. Particularly at the junctions at Back Lane, Houghton Lane, School Lane, etc
The potholes and general maintenance of the roads is also of concern with the changes implemented at LCC
Whilst there are some perceived benefits with the move of the Co-op (which is likely to be at the end of the year, there has been some suggestions put forward regarding traffic calming and potential use of existing land to alleviate parking issues.

PROPOSAL 4:
Early meeting with SKDC and LCC and Police to establish communication links, engagement with the community to understand the priorities and restrictions placed on local authorities and how this impacts on the Parish Council to consider options and partnerships for improvements.
Anticipated Costs: Allocate £5,000
These costs are unknown until there has been engagement with the Local Authority regarding their obligations and priorities to ensure that the criteria for our aspirations for improvement can be met by them. This includes the historical and environmental priorities of this area.

5. Woolsthorpe by Colsterworth

The issues of road safety due to speeding and HGVs has been reported previously. No proposals have been put forward to date, however, it is important that this area continues to be monitored and issues identified and recorded for further consideration.

Cllr Caroline Hainsworth
30th March 2017.