

**Minutes of the Meeting of Mappleton Parish Council held on
Thursday 8th March 2018 at 7.30pm**

18/14 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 11th January 2018.

Cllrs approved the Minutes, which were signed off by Cllr Deacon.

18/15 In attendance & apologies for absence

Cllrs Deacon, Duckmanton and Washer were in attendance. Cllr Jones sent apologies.

18/16 Declarations of Members' interest

There were no declarations of interest in any items.

18/17 Public Participation

There were no members of the public in attendance.

18/18 Highways

Update - work reported to Highways:

F309425 - gullies - enquiry raised by Derbyshire County Council (DCC) - no update

Action: Clerk to follow up

F309465 - road signs – email from Traffic and Road Safety Service Engineer

I do have concerns over the section of Mappleton Road which rises to a crest to the north of Oakwood. On driving along Mappleton Road, I found that there is no advance warning of this hazard and that given the presence of the bends on both approaches, drivers will only encounter the crest at short notice. I note from official safety data that the only recorded accident along Mappleton Road in the past three years took place at this crest. The accident resulted in slight injuries to both drivers and to one of the vehicles overturning. I am therefore prepared to introduce warning signs on both approaches to this crest. The signs will be sited in advance of the aforementioned bends and will warn motorists of a "blind summit". I will also order supplementary SLOW markings to be positioned alongside the new signs. These signs and markings should hopefully have the effect of moderating vehicle speeds along much of the greater section of Mappleton Road you mentioned in your original email. I would mention that a double bend warning sign is currently in place near Maskery's farm, facing traffic approaching from Ashbourne. This sign is frequently obscured by foliage and is technically incorrect since the road bears right for a considerable length before eventually reaching a slight curve to the left that would not normally be signed. I consider that the new sign should have the effect of raising drivers' level of attention towards the road layout, consequently I shall arrange for this sign to be removed at the same time as the new signs are installed.

Cllrs were pleased with this report.

Work to report to Highways

Action: Clerk to contact Cllr Bridgett, Chair of the Okeover Annual Parish Meeting about the potholes / damaged bollard on Birdsgrove Lane and potholes by the Mill Race

Action: Clerk to check wall nr stile / wall on road by path along riverbank

18/19 Maintenance / Rights of Way

Action: Clerk to follow up with Graham re vegetation clearing at Mappleton

Other:

Cllrs concerned about proposed allotments on arable land behind cottages. They think this would impact on the tenant who farms this land, and would also have an adverse effect on the view from parishioners' houses. Cllrs think that the land at the back of the Sports Field would be more suitable for allotments, and is near a water supply.

Action: Clerk to write to the Estate

18/20 Finance

Bank Balance at 08/03/2018 - £2,767.89

Invoices & Cheques presented for signing

000170 - £259.24 F Raistrick (Jan & Feb 2018, printing/stationery & annual stipend)

000171 - £ 65.11 DALC (annual subscription – to be paid in April 2018)

000172 - £205.60 TDP (bench)

- 18/21 Parish Project Update - Bench**
Cllrs requested that the bench be ordered. Cost is £205.60, which includes delivery.
Action: Clerk to order bench
Action: Cllr Deacon to talk to a contractor about installation of bench
- 18/22 Community Infrastructure Levy**
Cllrs think the levy is a good idea as it will fund schools and services.
- 18/23 Planning Applications**
No planning applications for discussion.
Decisions:
17/01250/FUL – Cloud Lodge, Mappleton
Full planning permission granted.
- 18/24 Discussion – Future of the Parish Council**
Carry discussion forward to May meeting.
- 18/25 Correspondence**
All correspondence emailed round to Cllrs prior to the meeting.
- 18/26 Any other business / Items for the next Agenda**
Sustainability of Parish Council
- 18/27 Date of the next meeting**
Thursday 10th May 2018 - 7:00pm Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, 7:20 Parish Council Meeting, 7:45 / 8pm Annual Meeting of the Parish

Meeting finished at 8:30pm