

The Meeting of the Desborough Town Council held at Marlow House, Gold Street, Desborough on Thursday 20th June 2013.

PRESENT

Councillors: Cllr D Coe, Cllr A Matthews, Cllr J Watson, Cllr M Tebbutt, Cllr D Soans, Cllr J Pearce, Cllr J Derbyshire, Cllr B King, Cllr M Dearing

Clerk: Leigh Parkin

Also in attendance: Cllr A Matthews, Northamptonshire County Councillor, PCSO P Firth, Members of the Public

<p>1</p>	<p>Chairman’s announcements Cllr Coe noted the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All houses in Desborough should now have received the new blue recycling bins from Kettering Borough Council (KBC); • The Northamptonshire Telegraph has featured the new skate park in Kettering at a time when the skate park in Desborough is under threat of immediate closure. <p>Cllr Coe has attended the following events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ceremony of Proclamation of Rothwell Ancient Street Fair; • Montsaye Cluster School Choral Festival. <p>Cllr Coe has been invited to attend the Desborough Carnival on Saturday 29th June 2013.</p> <p>Cllr Dearing was welcomed back to the meeting following a period of ill health.</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>Apologies for absence – Apologies were received from Cllr R Sawford (holiday commitment) and Cllr M Watson (work commitment) and Cllr P Malin (ill health). It was RESOLVED to agree the apologies for absence.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Declarations of Interest by Councillors Cllr Soans stated that he would not vote or express a decision on any planning matters as he is on the Planning Committee at KBC. He can however take part in discussions on planning issues.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Police Report Monthly Report & Crime Figures –PCSO Firth went through the crime figures for May 2013 and to date in June 2013. It was noted that on two occasions last month objects had been thrown off the bridge over the A6 at vehicles. CID is now involved in this crime as it could have caused a fatal accident.</p> <p>Cllr Coe stated that he has received two letters from members of the public with regard to the speed of traffic along Dunkirk Avenue, the continual problem of lorries and parking towards the High Street end of the road. Copies of the letters have been given to the Police. PCSO Firth stated that the parked cars are currently not committing an offence; however, PC Cotterill has suggested that the double yellow lines be extended towards Church View Road. In addition PC Cotterill has completed an analysis on the legal weight limits of lorries on roads in Desborough and is looking at the routing of lorries. <i>It was noted that Cllr Coe declared an interest in this matter as a resident of Dunkirk Avenue.</i></p> <p>The current problem of youths gathering in the Pocket Park was discussed as last week</p>

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	<p>one of the new picnic benches was destroyed. PCSO Firth stated that there are currently more regular patrols through the Park. Cllr Tebbutt is to raise the Pocket Park issues at the next JAG meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Coe highlighted the recent break in at the Football Club where access was gained through the roof. PCSO Firth stated that this is an on-going investigation.</p> <p>Cllr Coe thanked PCSO Firth for attending the meeting and asked him to stay for the next item of business.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Representations from members of the public Members of the public spoke on the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A representative of a number of residents along Harrington Road spoke to the Council about continued problems of parking along the road and damage being caused to vehicles following the opening of the new shops on the junction between Harrington and Braybrooke Roads. A request was made for a residents parking scheme to be considered. Cllr Dearing is to forward this request to KBC. PCSO Firth highlighted that PCSOs now have the power to deal with vehicles that park illegally or cause unnecessary obstruction. ➤ Concern was raised about planning application: KET/2012/0780 (amended Plans June 2013) – Mr Veevers – Harrington Road (land at), Desborough – Outline Application: Residential development of 75 dwellings with associated open space, landscaping, highways and utility infrastructure. The developer consultations outlined in the plans state that KBC cannot demonstrate a rolling housing stock plan and that Desborough does not have a Neighbourhood Plan, therefore, the plans should be approved. It is strongly felt that KBC should not be forced into approving the plans if it is not sustainable to the local road network and no reference has been made to the expansion of Loatlands School. Cllr Coe referred to the Town Council’s comments on this planning application and its’ recommendation that the planning application be rejected (see minute 16). ➤ A resident of Queen Street, Desborough addressed the Council about the deteriorating condition of the three derelict properties (24, 26 and 28) in Queen Street. Cllr Coe noted that issues with these properties have been raised by the Town Council with KBC over a number of years with no resolution which is unacceptable. It was noted that in March of this year Ms Julia Beckett, Deputy Chief Executive - KBC, wrote to Cllr David Soans explaining that at that time KBC were waiting a further building surveyor’s report which would enable the Council to negotiate with the owners of the properties on a number of options including potential sale to a housing association for repair or demolition and new build (Minute 7/bullet pt. 1/April 13). The member of the public stated that since this date no further action has been taken and residents of the street have the following concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people are putting bricks through the upstairs windows; • There is fly-tipping at the front of the houses; • The back garden is overgrowing into neighbouring gardens; • The secure padlock fixed to the gate has been broken leaving the back of the house open; • It is understood that the inspection covers in the back garden have been previously removed and with the garden so overgrown this presents a serious risk to anybody accessing the garden; • There is considerable concern that the houses now pose a significant health and safety risk to neighbouring properties and people.

	<p>It was Agreed that the Town Council will write to KBC to outline the above continuing concerns and to request a speedy conclusion to this situation. In the meantime, KBC will be asked to address the immediate health and safety concerns raised by the member of the public.</p> <p>➤ The Chairman of Desborough Community Development Trust (DCDT) informed the Town Council that representatives from DCDT and Locality had met with KBC to discuss the Community Right to Build Application at the Hawthorns Site in Desborough. It was Agreed that the Town Council write to KBC to request that KBC defer any further action on the Hawthorns site pending the outcome of the Desborough Town Neighbourhood Plan which is currently being undertaken.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 16th May 2013 The Minutes of the Town Council meetings on the above dates were <u>unanimously approved</u> and signed as a true record (Proposed by Cllr King and seconded by Cllr A Matthews).</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minute 10/Bullet pt. 1/May 13 - Matters Arising – KBC Executive meeting – The Executive Committee meeting due to be held on 22nd May 2013 where ‘Land at Desborough – Community Facilities’ was due to be considered was cancelled and this item will now be considered at a future meeting, date to be confirmed. Ms S Lyons, Head of Democratic & Legal Services at KBC has confirmed that this item refers to the Handbag Factory Site, Gladstone Street, Desborough. • Minute 10/Bullet pt. 2/May 2013 – Burleigh/Mansfield Close Car Park –Mr J Conway, Head of Housing at KBC has confirmed that parking bays are to be marked in the car park. A proposed layout of 31 bays has been agreed and the order for the work to be completed has been placed by KBC. • Minute 17/May 13 – GP Appointment System – Ms N Warren, Practice Business Manager at Rothwell and Desborough Healthcare Group was unable to attend the Town Council meeting in June. She has confirmed that she is working with the Patient Participation Group on advertising/education on ‘how to book an appointment’ and this should be available shortly. If patients have any questions regarding appointments or any other issues they would like to discuss they should be directed to Reception, the Patient Participation Group or Ms Warren. Cllr Coe confirmed that he has re-joined the Patient Participation Group. • Minute 13.9/May 13 – British Legion War Memorial Competition – The Desborough War Memorial has been entered into the competition following permission having been granted by KBC. • Minute 18/May 13 – Town Council Office Lease – The Lease has been signed by Cllr Coe and Cllr Matthews witnessed by the Clerk. Cllr Coe completed a sworn declaration.
<p>8</p>	<p>County Councillor Cllr Matthews reported that it has been confirmed that he is on the Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) Scrutiny Committees for Finance and Environment, Development and Transport. Cllr Matthews will also be on a number of external committees including Kettering Rural Forum, East Kettering Liaison Forum, A6 Towns Forum, CPRE and Heritage Champion, North Northants (as assistant to the Cabinet Member responsible for this post).</p> <p>Cllr Matthews has formed a working arrangement with Cllr David Howes, Borough</p>

	<p>Councillor for Welland Valley, to attend all Parish Council meetings in the area at least once every year. So far Cllr Matthews and Cllr Howes have attended Wilbarston, Stoke Albany, Braybrooke and Dingley. The response to meeting the new Councillors has so far been positive. Various local issues have been raised and Cllr Matthews and Cllr Howes have committed to find solutions as a joint exercise.</p> <p>A considerable amount of time every week is spent keeping up to date with NCC events and trying to establish which pieces of information affect the residents of the new Desborough Division. Cllr Matthews has booked a 1:1 meeting with staff at MGWSP in Brixworth to ask questions about the road maintenance programme for this area. Cllr Matthews is hoping that this will also be an opportunity to question why it is so difficult to enforce weight restrictions on certain roads and impose sound solutions on parking issues in Desborough. A previous 1:1 meeting at Riverside House in Northampton gave him a good understanding of the problems associated with rural bus services.</p> <p>The Chair of Fresh Air Desborough requested that Cllr Matthews join with Mr P Hollobone, MP, in a request to NCC to consider a review of the approval to build the gasification plant in Desborough based on current developments elsewhere in the country concerning waste incineration plants. After a discussion with Mr Hollobone, Cllr Matthews wrote to the Chief Executive of NCC outlining the news item which implied that West Norfolk County Council have asked the consortium building their waste incineration plant to terminate the building programme voluntarily. It appears that, if it is agreed, the County Council could suffer compensation claims of up to £90 million. Cllr Matthews is still awaiting a reply to his letter dated 7th June.</p> <p>Two final points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Every County Councillor now has a full Ofsted Report summarising the results on all the recent Ofsted visits to schools in Northamptonshire. 2. Cllr Matthews has already received several requests to fund individuals and activities not based in the area through the Empowerment Fund given to every County Councillor. The rules clearly state that the funds must be used for local groups and activities. <p>Councillors made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Coe raised concern about County and Borough Council mowing as he feels that the Borough is overgrown and in some areas this could cause safety problems. • Cllr Tebbutt stated that KBC is currently re-looking at its' comments in respect to the Energy Centre planning application. • Cllr J Watson raised concern about the trees along a Harrington Road that are damaging the pavement. MGWSP has been requested to undertake a site visit to this area.
<p>9 9.1</p>	<p>Borough Councillors</p> <p>Cllr Tebbutt provided a written report which was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting highlighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Northants Core Spatial Strategy update:-the situation on timescale has been slightly modified due to the time scale for examination and report to the Secretary of State of the Rushden Lakes planning decision. It is planned that a Draft Joint Core Strategy will be available in February 2014 which will enable consultation in February/March allowing a Submission Plan to be agreed in May 2014. The Inspectors report is anticipated for February 2015 following the examination in public. April 2015 would hopefully enable the Joint Planning Committee (JPC) to

	<p>adopt the replacement plan. An Interim North Northamptonshire Housing Policy statement is in the process of preparation using growth projections provided by the Government Office – this identifies a need for North Northants to provide for 17862 homes for the period 2011 to 2021 as compared with 31255 included in the Core Spacial Strategy. Once ratified by the JPC it will be subjected to an extended period of consultation during the summer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town Council’s request to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for Desborough has been accepted, consultation on the area to be included will be the next step, with the Parish Boundary designating the area. • The KBC Planning Policy meeting on May 21st agreed the programme for consultation on the identified need for Gipsy and Traveller accommodation required through to 2031 aligning with the Core Spacial Strategy needs for traditional housing. The documentation is now available and a public exhibition will be held at Marlow House for the public to view and make their initial comments to officers. • The 6th June Planning Policy meeting received a report on the ‘Health Check’ for the A6 Town Centres. This used data for Desborough gathered in October 2012 compared with 2011 - it showed an increase in the number of units by 11, however many of those were not included in the 2011 survey. Despite the loss of a greengrocer the overall percentage of convenience units in the town exceeds the national average. It was noted that since the report was published the Travel Agent’s had closed. The total number of service units was also reported to be above the national average. The Ritz Conference Centre had opened adding to the employment category. <p>9.2 Cllr Soans provided a written report which was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting highlighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midland main line electrification: Railtrack are modifying most “road crossing” railway bridges between Bedford and Sheffield to allow increased headroom for the power gantries. Finedon Station Road in Burton Latimer is being closed for 12 weeks from July and Pytchley Road Bridge in Kettering is being closed for 12 weeks from 9th December. It is therefore reasonable to assume that Pipewell and Harborough Road bridges will both be closed for a similar time in the near future. • Gypsy and travellers: Final planning permission has now been given for the 7 additional pitches at the Pastures site. Building will commence in August and be completed in September. • Health and Well Being Board: The above organisation came into being in April this year. The mission of the Board is: - delivering meaningful, healthier longer lives for the people of Northamptonshire. KBC have appointed a new Community Services Officer – Health and Wellbeing, Ms Jenna Bartley, to promote the aims of the Board within the Borough. The Town Council Agreed to invite Ms Bartley to give a presentation to the Council of the full objectives of the Board. <p>9.3 Cllr Derbyshire provided a written report which was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting highlighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/06/13 Meeting with Anne Lovely at the library, she is very interested in getting young people to help in the library, she would love the local Youth club to contact her and see what they can do for their library. If anyone has any books they wish to donate to help the funds or people with skills who could help they are welcome. • 9/6/13 Attended Mayor Keli Watts Church Service at Toller Church Kettering and the parade round the town. • 12/6/13 Attended the Executive Committee Meeting. The part Cllr Derbyshire
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<p>9.4</p>	<p>enjoyed the most the application was agreed to allow Volleyball England to build on the successes of the last 3 years and will be a particular focus for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local community participation and volunteering opportunities in all forms of volleyball. 2. Domestic and international coach and referee education programmes. 3. Host domestic national team training camps. 4. Hosting major domestic volleyball events and competitions including senior and national finals. 5. Hosting international competitions including junior indoor and senior sitting volleyball competition. <p>Kettering firmly at the centre of volleyball development across Northern and Western Europe.</p> <p>The National Volleyball Centre (NVC) based at the Kettering Conference Centre, has been sited as a show piece example for the London 2012 legacy for Volleyball in England.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13/06/13 Attended Tenants Forum. The main topic of the evening was A Guide to Working together to improve homes in Kettering and getting it right for tenants <p>Cllr Dearing provided a written report to the meeting highlighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Dearing was not able to attend the last KBC Executive meeting; • He has dealt with a complaint over the condition of Alexandra Road from a member of the public. The road is over grown with weeds in need of cleaning and general tree pruning. Cllr Dearing has discussed the situation with the Cleansing Department at KBC and will be liaising with the County Councillor. Cllr Derbyshire has also offered to visit the member of the public and walk around the area but no response has been received. • As Portfolio holder for the Environment at KBC Cllr Dearing was at the launch of the new bigger blue bins for recycling. Following consultation a phased introduction of these bins has started and should be finished by July. • Cllr Dearing was recently asked whether the Co-Op had bought the Hawthorns. Cllr Dearing has investigated this and there are no discussions with the Co-Op on purchasing this land. <p>Cllr Coe noted that the Council had received an email from a member of the public raising concern that over a number of years many roadside seats in Desborough have been removed for maintenance and have not been replaced. Without the seats many elderly residents cannot rest whilst enjoying a walk. The pedestrian bench type seats in Abington Street, Northampton have been recently replaced and it is requested that Desborough Town Council ask Northampton Borough Council for their old seats for use around the Town. Cllr Tebbutt said that he would follow up this request with KBC.</p>
<p>10 10.1</p>	<p>Clerk's Report</p> <p>Northamptonshire Police Community Speed Watch: Cllr King has organised the following communication to gain support for the Community Speed Watch Programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The four local churches; • Rural Trader – a free advert has been placed; • Northamptonshire Telegraph has agreed to do a feature - Cllr Tebbutt, Cllr Coe and Cllr Matthews agreed to meet in Dunkirk Avenue the following week to have a photograph taken for the newspaper.

<p>10.2</p> <p>10.3</p> <p>10.4</p> <p>10.5</p> <p>10.6</p> <p>10.7</p>	<p>It was suggested that information is placed on the Desborough Voice Facebook page.</p> <p>Queen Elizabeth II Commemorative Plaque: KBC has confirmed that the original plaques delivered are not wearing very well and are to be replaced. It is proposed that when the new plaque is received it will be mounted on one of the large stones in the Play Area in the Recreation Ground. Permission for this has been requested from KBC. It was agreed as the plaque has not yet been fixed it will not be announced at the Desborough Carnival as originally planned. An unveiling ceremony will be organised once the plaque is fixed in place. A ‘Have a Field Day’ Goodie Box has been ordered from Fields in Trust but has not yet arrived.</p> <p>CPRE Northamptonshire – Annual General Meeting 9th July 2013: Cllr Matthews confirmed that he is on holiday on this date and will not be able to attend.</p> <p>MGWSP Community Enhancement Gang (CEG): Northamptonshire Highways looked at the Town Council’s request for block paving on the grassed area between Desborough Library and the Co-op Supermarket outside the Sure Start Centre. MGWSP has replied to say that this is not the type of works that can be carried out by the CEG. Mr Wright, Senior Highway Technician has taken photographs of this area and drawn up a plan which has been forwarded to Mr Gore, Community Liaison Officer, to look into as he has a small budget for minor highway improvement works such as these. Cllr Matthews is to follow this up.</p> <p>It was noted that Desborough road sign coming into Desborough from Market Harborough needs repairing. This is to be reported to MGWSP.</p> <p>Vine Community Trust AGM Monday 22nd July 2013 at 8pm, Marlow House, Gold Street, Desborough: All Town Councillors have been invited to attend the Vine Community Trust AGM.</p> <p>A6 Towns Forum Wednesday 26th June 2013: The meeting is to be held at 7pm in the Heritage Centre, Desborough. All Councillors are welcome to attend.</p> <p>Correspondence File: This month’s file contained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Desborough Town Council Standing Orders • Northants CALC Update May/June 2013 • KBC Work Programme published 23rd May 2013 • CPRE Northamptonshire Events • CPRE Northamptonshire Outlook May 2013 • Northamptonshire Highways – Development at Rushton Road, Desborough by Morris Homes Ltd – Adoption Certificate • NCC/Woodland Trust free community tree pack • NCC/Woodland Trust – Tree and hedge pack for farmers • Email form NN Raid re: KBC Gypsy & Traveller Accommodation Options Paper Consultation • Keep Britain Tidy email • CPRE Campaigns – Our fundraising heroes take up the challenge • Carriageway resurfacing works – Bridge Street, Rothwell • Rural Housing Week • NHS Dementia Care Advisor presentation
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<p>12</p> <p>12.1</p> <p>12.2</p> <p>12.3</p>	<p>Update from existing Working Parties</p> <p>Community Facilities: Cllr Matthews confirmed that he and Cllr Soans had met with representatives from the Maud Elkington Trustee to discuss the business plan submitted and look round the Victoria Street building. The grant application will be decided at the next Trustee meeting. An application for £35,000 of funding towards conversion costs has been sent to the Mick George Charitable Trust, however, Cllr Matthews has requested that this is 'put on hold' until the outcome of the Maud Elkington Trust is known. Cllr Matthews has identified that a grant application can be made to Wrenn by October 2013 for the replacement of the boiler.</p> <p>Community Right to Build 'Hawthorns Forum': Mrs P Holmes was invited to update the Town Council. DCDDT has written to KBC to nominate the former Hawthorns Leisure Centre site to be included in a list of assets of community value. If the asset is listed and comes up for sale community bodies are given time to put together a bid to buy the asset on the open market. The Town Council has received a letter from KBC giving it the opportunity to comment on whether in its opinion the land is an asset of community value. Comments must be received by KBC before Thursday 11th July 2013. It was Agreed that the Town Council will write to support the former Hawthorns Leisure Centre site being included in the list of assets held by KBC of community value.</p> <p>Fresh Air Desborough: An up-date was given by Mr Malcolm MacDonald, a member of Fresh Air Desborough. Litigation commenced on 10th June 2013 and NCC has 21 days to respond to the case against it. Fresh Air Desborough has a new website: www.freshairdesborough.org.uk.</p>

<p>13</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Plan for Desborough Update It has been confirmed with KBC that the name for the Plan will be ‘Desborough Town Plan’. The next step is for KBC to publicise the designation of the Neighbourhood Area and to consult with people who live, work and carry out business in Desborough for at least 6 weeks. The publication date is to be confirmed. In the meantime it is Agreed that the Town Council will establish an ‘initial’ working group (involving Councillors and representatives from interested groups/members of the public) to consider and report to the Town Council on the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan – what it is to achieve; • Identify who is to be involved in co-ordinating the development of the Plan (Leading Group); • To consider and put an application together for Planning Aid England (PAE). PAE in conjunction with Locality has been selected by the Government to work with communities to help them prepare neighbourhood plans and orders. The support covers two areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Direct support which is providing bespoke hands on assistance with the neighbourhood plan making process; 2. A grants programme that is being run by the Community Development Fund (CDF) where neighbourhood planning groups will be able to apply for grants of up to £7,000 to assist them with neighbourhood planning. • To organise the provision of training sessions on Neighbourhood Planning. <p>It was Agreed that Cllr Soans, Cllr J Watson and Cllr Matthews will be part of the ‘initial’ working group.</p>																												
<p>14</p>	<p>KBC Consultation Dog Control Order for the Borough of Kettering It was Agreed to support the proposed Dog Control Orders.</p>																												
<p>15 15.1</p>	<p>Financial report Accounts for Payment: The following payments were APPROVED (Proposed by Cllr Pearce and seconded by Cllr Soans):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="296 1503 1447 1877"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cheque No.</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Reason for Payment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>101335</td> <td>£795.87</td> <td>Mrs L Parkin</td> <td>Salary & Expenses (June 13)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101336</td> <td>£34.13</td> <td>HM Revenue & Customs</td> <td>PAYE & NI (June 13)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101337</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>Vine Community Trust</td> <td>Hall Hire June 13 TC meeting</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101338</td> <td>£40.63</td> <td>Talk Talk Business</td> <td>Telephone Line Rental /Broadband + calls (June 13)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101339</td> <td>£550.00</td> <td>Kettering Borough Council</td> <td>Town Council Office Rent 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101340</td> <td>£120.00</td> <td>Carl The Builder & Son</td> <td>Desborough Pocket Park drainage works*</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*It was agreed that the Town Council will meet this payment as it was necessary maintenance and repair work to the Park (Proposed by Cllr Pearce and seconded by Cllr Soans – Agreed).</p> <p>15.2 Receipts: None Received</p>	Cheque No.	Amount	Payee	Reason for Payment	101335	£795.87	Mrs L Parkin	Salary & Expenses (June 13)	101336	£34.13	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI (June 13)	101337	£35.00	Vine Community Trust	Hall Hire June 13 TC meeting	101338	£40.63	Talk Talk Business	Telephone Line Rental /Broadband + calls (June 13)	101339	£550.00	Kettering Borough Council	Town Council Office Rent 1 st April 2013 to 31 st March 2014	101340	£120.00	Carl The Builder & Son	Desborough Pocket Park drainage works*
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<p>15.3</p>	<p>Christmas Lights Report: The Clerk met with Mrs P Goodman, Town Centre Partnership and Mrs P Holmes, Desborough Community Development Trust, to discuss Christmas lights in the town. The following actions were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To liaise with KBC/NCC to confirm the date street lights in the town are to be replaced (currently estimated between October 15 and March 16). In addition clarification will be sought as to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ How many street lights will be installed and the position of them; ➢ The cost to upgrade the street lights so that Christmas lights can be fitted to them; ➢ The height of the street lights; ➢ Whether there will be a charge for electricity used and, if so, how will this be calculated. • To obtain quotes to replace the ‘snowman & cracker’ Christmas decoration which has been fitted to the side of Marlow House and to light a tree on the War Memorial green. <p>On receipt of the above-detailed information a further report will be submitted to the Town Council for consideration.</p>
<p>16 16.1</p>	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>The following applications have been received and comments made under delegated procedures:</p> <p>KET/2013/0316 – Mr Gilbert – 1 Church View Road, Desborough – Full Application: Conversion of existing bungalow to dormer bungalow by replacing roof. New single storey rear extension.</p> <p>Desborough Town Council has no objection in principle to this planning application, however, concern has been raised about the loss of privacy to properties in Dunkirk Avenue which would be compromised by the new 1st storey windows, a solution to this must be found.</p> <p>KET/2013/0363 – Mr & Mrs Wilkinson – Wildacre, Furlong Road, Desborough – Renewal of Extant Permission (Full): KET/2010/0321 (Erection of five no.4 bed homes served from new private drive)</p> <p>The comments made by the Town Council in respect to KET/2012/0321 in June 2010 are still supported. This proposal remains a significant overdevelopment.</p> <p>KET/2012/0780 (amended Plans June 2013) – Mr Veevers – Harrington Road (land at), Desborough – Outline Application: Residential development of 75 dwellings with associated open space, landscaping, highways and utility infrastructure.</p> <p>The previous comments made by the Town Council are still fully supported. However since these comments were submitted in January 2013 approval has been granted by Northamptonshire County Council for a significant expansion of Loatlands School. The increase in traffic will now make this area extremely hazardous with congestion on the narrow road near Loatlands School. The road network is inadequate for this development.</p> <p>Parking spaces on the development are not generous.</p> <p>KET/2013/0383 – Mr Marlow – 7 Hereford Close, Desborough – Full Application: First floor balcony to rear.</p> <p>Awaiting comments.</p>

	<p>KET/2013/0390 – Mr Kilsby – 5 Ironwood Avenue, Desborough – Full Application: Three storey rear extension. Awaiting comments.</p> <p>Notices of Approval received: KBC has approved permission for the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KET/2013/0217 (Minute 16.1/April 13) – Miss Goodhind – 72 Dunkirk Avenue, Desborough – Full Application: Demolition of dwelling and erection of 2 no. dwellings. • KET/2013/0219 (Minute 21.1/May 13) – Mr Druce – 1 Willowherb Walk, Desborough – Full Application: Front and side extension. • KET/2013/0263 (Minute 21.1/May 13) – Mrs Snelling Kettering Borough Council – Stoke Albany Road (land off), Desborough – Full Application: Traveller caravan park consisting of 7 no. plots and amenity buildings. • KET/2013/0273 (Minute 21.1/May 13) – Mr Garland – 15 Lower King Street, Desborough – Full Application: Two Storey rear extension. • KET/2013/0216 (Minute 21.1/May 13) – Mr Singh – Glebe Farm, Rothwell Road, Desborough – Full Application: Two storey front and single storey rear extensions, increase roof height and detached garage. <p>Notice of Appeal: An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against KBC’s decision to refuse planning permission for the below detailed development: KET/2013/0105 (Minute 21.1/March 13) – Mr & Mrs Kirkpatrick – 84 Ironwood Avenue, Desborough – Full Application: Single storey rear extension and side balcony platform. The appeal will be determined on the basis of written representations.</p> <p>An alleged breach of planning control is being dealt with by KBC for 52 Valley Rise, Desborough.</p>
16.2	<p>KBC Consultation Local Validation Requirements for Planning Applications: The Town Council did not wish to comment on this consultation.</p>
16.3	<p>KBC Local Development Framework Public Consultation – Site Specific Proposals Local Development Document – Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Options Paper: It was Agreed that the Chairman will put together the town Council’s response to this consultation. Councillors are to provide the Chairman/Clerk with their comments following the KBC public consultation event being held at Marlow House, Desborough on Monday 24th June 2013.</p>
17	<p>Date of next meeting and items for the agenda: Thursday 18th July 2013 commencing at 7pm, the Lower Lounge, Marlow House, Gold Street, Desborough.</p> <p>It was previously agreed (Minute 22/May 13) that an item will be placed on the Town Council meeting agenda for June to discuss a number of issues including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of the Town Council and what services it should provide; • Precepting; • Ward boundaries within Desborough.
	<p>THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.55 PM</p>