

# PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Pattishall Parish Hal

**PRESENT:** Mr B. Evans, Chairman Dr M. Gardner, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. R. Hart Mr David Hodges Mr P. Parris  
Mr M. Mitton Cllr R. Clarke

In the Chair, Mr Barry Evans, Chairman, who welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr Evans reminded everyone that Parish Council meeting can now be recorded by the public as long as this did not disrupt the running of the meeting.

- The Chairman thanked all those Parishioners who very kindly went to help clear the trees that had been blown down in the Parish & in particular the trees blown across the Banbury Lane.
- The Chairman gave thanks to Laura Dark for replanting the two village planters with fresh plants for Spring.

**ATTENDING:** 2 Parishioners

## **APOLOGIES – Reasons for absence to be declared**

D. Keeble (Business meeting), J. Hawtin (working)

## **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Interest & nature of interest to be declared - None**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** These had been previously circulated & were duly proposed, seconded and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

It was noted that the January Minutes had not been posted on the website. Clerk to send to web editor again.

## **COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

### **SNC Cllr Roger Clarke**

- SNC Local Plan 2 has 11 modifications which will be going out for a final six weeks public consultation
- The Structural Change Order to form two Unitary Authorities in Northamptonshire has now gone through the two Houses of Parliament.
- There will be elections for the Shadow Authority on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020
- The new West & North Unitary Authorities will become ‘active’ as from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

## **MATTERS FOR REPORT – Arising from the Minutes:**

### **Allotments Association – Liaison – B. Evans**

- Due to the appalling weather conditions, very little activity at the allotment site.

### **Lighting – R. Clarke, Parish Clerk – reported out of order:**

PL 5, Church Street / Butchers Lane

PL 12, Manor Farm

To report:

Greenway, Corner of Simons Walk, School Road.

### **Highways – D. Hodges**

- Due to the very heavy rain fall, the potholes have become wider & deeper with no action taking place.

### **Grass Cutting – D. Keeble – Report received**

- a) Will be speaking to mowing contractor regarding the new season mowing
- b) May Bank holiday VE Day celebrations query if PC has any planned events
- c) Query joint event with Cold Higham PC

**Village Maintenance – R. Hart**

- a) Baby swing seats – further request has been made to a different department

**School Liaison – J. Hawtin**

- a) Letter of thanks from the village primary school regarding the PC donation towards the coach to London.

**Pre-School Liaison – P. Parris**

- a) Unable to attend meeting.
- b) Work on restructuring the group is on going

**Playground Equipment – J. Hawtin**

- a) A meeting has taken place at the Booth Close site, between Yasmin from SNC, Barry Evans, Jayne Hawtin & the Clerk to determine space for additional equipment, litter bins & seating.
- b) A list of suggested additional equipment received from Yasmin.
- c) Playground Inspection rota – Clerk has sent all members a copy of the 2020 rota for completion
- d) Zip wire – Clerk instructed to contact new group of contractors:
  - (i) Mark Bushell
  - (ii) Gavin Billing
  - (iii) Raybell

**Defibrillator – J. Hawtin**

- a) New pads have been fitted

**Hedges & Trees & New Burial Ground – R. Clarke & P. Parris**

- a) Tree felling – Seb Hodge to undertake the work which should be completed by 14<sup>th</sup> February
- b) Note from SH – work will be delayed due to weather conditions & storm damaged work
- c) P. Parris has liaised with Seb Hodge regarding logs from the felled trees.

**Public Footpaths**

- a) Concern was expressed by a report that the footpath at Harefield Farm had been closed.
- b) Katie Angel, NCC footpaths, is aware of the situation
- c) To note: Footpaths cannot be closed unless an alternative route is found.
- d) Gayton Road trees are being attended to.

**Bus Route 87 – Ann Atkin – No new news****Around Pattishall – B. Evans – Gathering items for the next edition.**

- a) List of who to contact needed

**PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS – I. Illingworth**

- VE Day celebrations
  - a) Pattishall parish hall is considering organising a barn dance. A group is needed to organise the event
  - b) Concern too many people may be away as it is a Bank holiday weekend
  - c) It was suggested that the Eastcote pub might hold an event – the PC Chairman will speak to the Landlord.
  - d) Cold Higham PC will be holding a children's party but would need help to organise the event.
  - e) Clerk to contact Cold Higham stating Pattishall PC will not be holding an event, but may be supporting an event within the Parish.
- The PC thanked Mrs Illingworth for the £500.00 cheque, another instalment off the loan.
- Reminder, there will be afternoon tea with stalls at the Parish hall on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April

**CORRESPONDENCE:****Received from:**

1. Abington Funeral Services – Burial request – Clerk has dealt with the matter
2. P. Parris
  - a) Fallen tree onto Banbury Lane – with Police in attendance, a group of villagers plus chain saws attended the site & removed all offending debris
  - b) Concern regarding spring water coming up onto the road surface from around a pothole repair. Clerk has passed the information on to H. Howard, NCC. **Reply received:** NCC is aware of

the problem & has many underground springs to deal with. Matter should be reported to NCC 'Fix My Street'

3. Police, Richard Akers – New Youth Commission applications now open. Advert sent to PC website.
4. SNC – Acknowledgement of PC's precept request

**Sent to:**

1. Wicksteed – request to put a hold on the Booth Close play area equipment order due to grant funding & the possibility of ordering additional equipment.
2. NCC – request for damaged Belisha beacon light to be repaired
3. NCC Fix My Street – request for School Road edging to be repaired. **Reply received:** Matter will be dealt with

**PLANNING:**

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
S/2020/00008/PA	Harefield Farm	Query if prior approval is required	PC comments: No objections
S/2019/2517/FUL	Manor Farm House, Astcote	9 new dwellings	PC comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objects to the application</li> <li>• Overcrowding of the site</li> <li>• Poor access onto a narrow rural road with appalling parking</li> <li>• Not in keeping with the street scene</li> <li>• Tandem parking on site is not acceptable</li> <li>• Great Crested newts on site a concern</li> </ul> <b>To Note:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Clerk has spoken to the planning case officer.</li> <li>* Amendments have been made to the application which should be with the PC shortly for comment.</li> <li>* SNC still has concerns which need addressing.</li> </ul>

<b>FINANCE: Bank Balances:</b>	a) Community a/c	£29,475.53
	b) Business Premium a/c	£16,208.51
<b>Monies Received</b>	* NCC – mowing contribution	£959.22

It was proposed, seconded and resolved to pay the following invoices

Chq. No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
1853	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	75.80		75.80
1854	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	303.03	38.77	341.80

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

- Parish Litter Pick will take place on **SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020**, 9.30 am start from the Parish hall.
- Electricity wires are running through trees in Foster Booth Road. Clerk to contact Western Power.

**CLERK’S REPORT:**

**1. Local Elections**

- a) There will be 3 elections on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020
- b) **The Unitary Election – Bugbrooke Division** voters can vote for up to 3 candidates
- c) **The Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner** – To vote in one candidate for a four year term
- d) **Parish Council Elections - Pattishall**
  - \* The Parish Council consists of 9 members
  - \* Anyone living in the Parish or within 3 miles of the Parish boundary may apply to become a Parish Councillor
  - \* Should there be only 9 applications, no election will take place
  - \* If there are fewer than 9 applications, no election will take place and the elected Council (without an election) will go through the process of co-opting a member / members to fill the vacancy.
  - \* The Clerk expects to receive a pack of nomination forms by the end of February/beginning of March.
  - \* Those wishing to stand for Council, will have to find a Proposer & a Seconder to nominate them who must be on the electoral register for Pattishall.

**2. Annual Parish Meeting & April PC Meeting**

- \* These two meetings will take place on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April, starting at 7.15 pm.**

**3. AGM of the Parish Council – Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

- \* 1<sup>st</sup> item on the agenda will be election of Chairman of the Council
- \* 2<sup>nd</sup> item on the agenda will be the election of the Vice-Chairman
- \* The Clerk will email nomination forms to all Members in March.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at:

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020, 7.45 pm, Parish Hall**

**Please remember that there are two meetings in April  
7.15 pm **The Annual Parish Meeting (for parishioners)**  
**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY**  
**The April Parish Council Meeting****

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....