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PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 9th September 2021, 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mr B. Evans, Chairman Mr P. Parris, Vice-Chairman

Mr D. Keeble Mr David Hodges Mr M. Mitton Ms J. Hawtin

Mrs F. Mitton

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

A 15 minutes slot had been set aside at agenda item 6, Parishioners Points for parishioners to raise matters with the Council. The 'invitation' to attend the meeting could be found on the facebook page & PC website.

ATTENDING: 3 Members of the Cornhill Squash Club

APOLOGIES - Reasons for absence to be declared

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Interest & nature of interest to be declared

J. Hawtin: Place of work - Kierwsp

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

CORNHILL SQUASH CLUB

- Request received from J. Carrington to meet with the PC to discuss matters relating to the club.
- 1970 the PC was named in the club conveyance. This was totally unknown to all PC members.
- The Court is not up to national standards.
- Membership has declined.
- Club would like to move to better premises & would like to stay in the Pattishall area.
- Possibility of joining with the Towcestrians at the new development.
- It was suggested the club should also contact Bugbrooke Sports facilities.
- What ever the club decides to do/move to, it will need the consent/support of Pattishall residents.
- Suitable adverts to be placed in Around Pattishall, face book, & the website.

REPORTS FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL

Ward Members: Cllr Ann Addison, Cllr Karen Cooper, Cllr Adam Brown

- Condolences to Cllr Brown for the loss of his father.
- As Chairman of West Northants Council, Cllr Addison has made the following visits & meetings:
 - a) Visit to the USA Air Force base at Croughton to meet the base commander
 - b) Meeting with the Lord Lieutenant
 - c) Meeting with the Cynthia Spencer Hospice fund raising team. This year the WNC Chairman's charity is The Cynthia Spencer Hospice. To note, the hospice will be holding its fund raising Cycle for Cynthia Spencer event at Lamport Hall on Sunday 19th September.
 - d) Meeting with the Revd. Canon Karen Jongman to discuss holding the Civic Church Service on the 24th October 2021 in Gayton Church at 4.00 pm.
- Cllr Cooper is a member of the South Northants Area Planning Committee for WNC. She is also the Vice Chairman of the Peoples Overview & Scrutiny Committee, assistant to Cllr Matt Golby who is the cabinet member for Adult Social Care & Public Health. Cllr Cooper is a member of the team working on the Anti-Poverty Strategy for WNC and supports the Health & Well Being Board. She is the Health & Equalities Champion.

MATTERS FOR REPORT – New & Arising from the Minutes:

Casual Vacancy

- Resignation of Martin Gardner due to work commitments. Clerk to send letter of thanks for time spent as Councillor.
- An amended advert had been placed on the notice board, the website & face book page inviting members of the Parish to consider joining the Parish Council.
- There are now two vacancies.

Allotments Association – Nothing to report

Lighting – F. Mytton

- The Clerk has spoken to E. ON regarding LED lamps. It is E. ON policy to replace any faulty lamps with LED replacements.
- Concrete posts report 3 concrete posts recorded
- Unnecessary lamps report collecting data.
- Several lamp posts no longer have visible numbers.
- Fault Report all out of order lamps reported to E. ON by Clerk.
- Request sent to Western Power for an up-to-date lighting inventory.

Highways – D. Hodges

- Fiona Unett, Assistant Director of Highways & waste written to & reply received:
 - a) Dissatisfaction of maintenance work in Dalscote & Butchers Lane. Assessment carried out & scheduled work should be undertaken in four weeks' time.
 - b) Resurfacing request will not be undertaken in this financial year.
- Noted that some highway repairs had been undertaken along with pothole filling.

Grass Cutting – D. Keeble

- Contract working well.
- Will make a site visit to look at the grass verges in Birds Hill Road & The Lane.

Village Maintenance

- New seats update.
 - a) Mrs Roll's seat to be collected by Chairman.
 - b) Quotes to be obtained for concrete bases to be installed for anchoring the seats in the Butchers Lane play area & the Booth Close play area.

School Liaison – J. Hawtin

- There are 159 pupils at the school. 21 in reception this year.
- Staggered start & finish times no longer in operation.

Playground Equipment – J. Hawtin

- Will follow up the offer of a see saw for the Booth Close play area.
- Checking on grants available.

Defibrillator

• Due to the resignation of M. Gardner, query who will take over the responsibility of monthly checks on the equipment & ordering new pads.

Hedges & Trees – P. Parris

• 3 trees in Booth Close are overgrown & need attention

Churchyard – P. Parris

- Churchyard trees parishioners concerns.
- Annual inspection of the Church wall to be undertaken.

Public Footpaths – J. Woollett & J. Russell

• Clerk to enquire if any help is needed.

Bus Route 87 – Ann Atkin – no issues.

Around Pattishall – B. Evans

• Christmas edition discussed. Andy Stewart to let Chairman know if there is enough material to publish.

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PARISHIONERS POINTS - None

PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS – I. Illingworth – Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received from:

- 1. Highways England maintenance work on the A43/A5 Tove roundabout start date end of January to early February 2022. Works include replacing damaged drains, resurfacing the carriageway, renew damaged kerbs, refresh road markings, install road studs, clear vegetation & pedestrian crossing improvements.
- 2. Data protection certificate received.
- 3. I. Illingworth received a report from a resident regarding concerns about garages accessed opposite 23 Leys Road. P. Parris to make a site visit.
- 4. Eastcote resident concerned regarding the overgrown hedges & trees in The Lane & Greenway, plus verges in The Lane running up to the allotments. J. Hawtin has made a site visit. Hedges & trees are the responsibility of the landowners. Query if the verges should be cut by the PC contractor.
- 5. J. Stuart has contacted Fix My Street regarding a collapsing stone wall in Fosters Booth Road.
- 6. B. Bignell Family of the late R. Hart would like to thank P. Parris & members of the Council who contributed to the tributes made to Bob at the funeral.
- 7. E. ON notification that electricity supply charges will increase as from 1st September
- 8. Barclays Bank Changes to terms & conditions
- 9. N. Bannister Speeding concerns & problems with the battery-operated VAS sign.
- 10. V. O'Dell Overgrown trees in need of cutting back. Query if this is a PC matter.

Sent to:

- 1. West Northants Council request for copies of electoral registers.
- 2. E. ON out of order street light reported outside 29 Simons walk.
- 3. West Northants Council waste transfer notice returned
- 4. E. ON agreement to replace lantern at PL95 in Home Close.
- 5. Mr & Mrs Anstead request for a Silver Birch tree to be trimmed back. Work has now been completed.
- 6. C. Stevenson invoice for burial plot sent
- 7. G. Lunn Festal Grange ground clearance. Reply received: Was told by contractor that there were no problems with clearing the ground.
- 8. John Whites Funeral Directors query regarding levelling of grave spaces. Reply received: some areas are very stony & the ground does not sink & level as well as other areas.

PLANNING: No new applications received.

• To note: The Clerk is concerned by the lack of applications received & in conjunction with the Chairman, has asked WNC to confirm they are to send applications to the correct email address.

Application Loca	tion Proposal	Comments		
FINANCE: Bank Balances:	a) Community a/c b) Business Premium a/c	£47,415.90 £16,222.38		
Monies Received	Headstone	£40.00		

Audit Report

- External Audit completed.
- There were no additional matters to report.
- Clerk to prepare a notice of conclusion of audit to be published on the website, noticeboards & face book page. This details the public rights of inspection.

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It was proposed seconded and resolved to pay the following invoices

Chq.					
No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
1989	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	81.50		81.50
1990	R. Illingworth	Website fees	45.00	9.00	54.00
1991	Anglian Water	Allotment supply	67.41		67.41
1992	E. ON	Replace photocell Simons Wk.	23.47	4.69	28.16
1993	E. ON	Replace ignitor + photocell	54.74	10.95	65.69
1994	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	326.00	52.68	378.68
1995	The Ground Care C.	Grass mowing	625.00	125.00	750.00
1996	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services	67.50		67.50
1997	PKF Littlejohn LLP	External audit fees	300.00	60.00	360.00

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

- Simons Walk Garages
 - a) Site visit made
 - b) Owners of the site have no issues & therefore the matter is closed.
- West edge of the Old Burial Ground Footpath needs clearing
- Eastcote Arms is under new management & reopening on the 14th September
- Request for 2 NCALC training courses to be booked for Fiona Mytton. Clerk has been informed by NCALC training officer that all courses must be booked by the Parish office and not by individual Council members.

THURSDAY, 14th OCTOBER 2021, 7.30 pm

- Produce Show.
 - a) Funding Request

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

b) Donation request towards the 'over 60's' Christmas lunch.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 10.05 pm

Signed:	Date:	•••••