

PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 9th December 2021
at 7.30 pm, in Pattishall Parish Hall.

PRESENT: Mr. B. Evans, Chairman Mr P. Parris, Vice-Chairman
Mr M. Mitton Mr D. Keeble Mrs F. Mytton
Mr D. Hodges Ms J. Hawtin Mrs S. Toll
Mr A. Burley

The Chairman welcomed Andrew Burley, the new Parish Councillor to his first meeting. Members of the Council & the public were reminded that Parish Council meetings can now be recorded & filmed by the public as long as this did not disrupt the running of the meeting.

ATTENDING: 19 Parishioners

APOLOGIES – Reasons for absence to be declared None

DHL PLANNING APPLICATION, Case Officer: Daniel Callis

- Pattishall PC is not a consultee
- The application is fully in Towcester Parish, the Towcester & Roade WNC Ward
- The closest neighbouring Parish is Greens Norton.
- Consultees are Towcester Town Council, Greens Norton PC & Tiffield PC
- The site is allocated for employment, a mix of B1 (Business), B2 (General Industrial) & B8 (Storage & distribution) The site was designated as such in the Local Plan 2 which went out to public consultation and was approved by the Inspectorate.
- There is no maximum/minimum limit on the proportions of each class use.
- Case officer is happy to receive comments from Parishes or individuals further afield
- Closing date was the 6th December. However, the case officer is willing to take comments up to the committee date but would prefer earlier.
- Earliest date for the application to go to committee will be 18th February but could be later.
- Concerns recorded by members of the public:
 - a) Traffic movements – understand there will be 2,200 HGV movement per day. Plus, up to 400 worker private vehicle movements x 3 shifts. It was felt that the A5 which is already well used, would not be able to cope with such an increase in traffic flow particularly should the M1 close due to an accident. It is understood that DHL will ‘control’ the HGV traffic movements.
 - b) Size of buildings – the size & height of the buildings are totally out of keeping with the surroundings. This area is surrounded by small rural settlements / villages and an ancient Roman market town. The scale of the application with building heights reaching of between 18.5m to 24.5m is unacceptable & inappropriate.
 - c) Pollution impact – it was felt that both Tiffield and Caldecote in particular would suffer from noise, air & light pollution as it is understood the site would be working on a 24 hour 3 shift basis.
 - d) Residents have asked for the Local Plan 2 to be reopened.
 - e) Andrea Leadsom MP is to hold a public meeting at The Forum about the application.
 - f) The meeting was informed that DHL own the site and are not interested in allowing any other company to share the site.
- Summing up – the Chairman suggested that the Council should go down a similar route to that of Tiffield PC who have written a particularly good report on their objections to the application. Residents were asked to send their comments to the Clerk by the 10th January 2022 if they wished them to be included in the PC report to WNC planning. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

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

J. Hawtin – Place of work WNC / Kierwsp

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: These had been previously circulated & were duly proposed, seconded, and signed by the Chairman as a true record with the understanding that the lighting programme was subject to funding and was an ongoing matter.

REPORTS FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL

Cllr Ann Addison, Cllr Karen Cooper, Cllr Adam Brown

- WNC Carol Service at All Saints Church, Northampton on Sunday 12th December at 4.00 pm.
- WNC draft budget out for consultation from 12th December.

MATTERS FOR REPORT – New Items & those resulting from the previous Minutes:

- **Casual Vacancy**
 - a) Notice received from WNC; PC can adopt candidate. A. Burley adopted & paperwork to be completed.
- **Allotment Association** – B. Evans Nothing to report
- **Street Lighting**
 - a) PL80 Birds Hill – hedge needs cutting back before E. ON will repair.
 - b) PL90 Little Field Close – second email sent to E. ON requesting repairs
 - c) PL 94 – request for repairs sent to E. ON, on 6/12/21
 - d) Concrete column in Bords Hill Road – D. Keeble has spoken to the landowner who will cut back the hedge which is surrounding the lamp post so that E. ON is able to repair the light. Work to be undertaken in January 2022. It was suggested that the landowner should cut the hedge on an annual basis.
- **Highways – Faults & repairs report** – D. Hodges
 - a) Salt/grit bins. 6 belong to highways & 7 belong to the PC.
 - b) Clerk to order more bags & have them delivered to the Chairman’s address ready for distribution.
 - c) P. Parris has 2 bags which he will put into the Dalscote bin.
- **Village maintenance** – donated seats
 - a) Flat packed seat not strong enough for a play area.
- **Grass Cutting** – update report – D. Keeble
 - a) Final cut for this season has been undertaken.
- **School Liaison** – J. Hawtin
 - a) School request support for bus cost to take children to the Young Voices choir event. In 2019 the PC contributed 50%. It was agreed to support the request & donate £425.00 towards the cost of coach hire.
- **Playground Equipment** – J. Hawtin
 - a) Booth Close play area is in urgent need of equipment as there are only asset of swings in the field for a growing number of children in the area.
 - b) Suggestion from J. Hawtin that a ‘target’ scheme is installed @ £5150.00 including installation. The funding could come from the CIL money. This was agreed & J. Hawtin to order the equipment.
 - c) WNC no longer grant aiding Parish Councils & suggest they increase the annual precept for play equipment or seek outside grant aid.
- **Defibrillator** – S. Toll
 - a) Pads can be obtained from South Northants Community Responders
 - b) CPR & defibrillator training in Milton Malsor village hall on Friday 28th January 2022, 7–9 pm. Email Katie Spruels for a place on katie.spruels80@gmail.com, tel: 07971 839 621

- **Hedges, trees** – D. Keeble
 - a) Old Burial Ground – Quote to cut hedge will be received from Luke. The fence belonging to an elderly resident is a problem to be resolved. D. Keeble & P. Parris to meet with Luke.
 - b) It is suggested that a working party should assemble to help with work to be undertaken.
- **Churchyard** – P. Parris
 - a) Has been in touch with the Church Wardens regarding the stone wall which is looking in reasonable condition at present.
 - b) PC has ring fenced an annual amount for Church wall repairs.
- **Footpath Wardens** – Nothing to report at present.
- **Bus Route 87** – Ann Atkin
 - a) Has been in touch with Cllr Phil Larratt who is the WNC cabinet portfolio holder for Highways & busses. He is looking into continuing the bus service.
 - b) Clerk reported that she had not received a bill for the service this financial year. Finances had been budgeted for the service.
- **Neighbourhood Watch** – Linda Hemming
 - a) The Police Beat Bus was in the village on the 8th December. It was parked in the Parish Hall car park and had 5 visitors. The Beat Bus is a particularly useful tool for the police.
 - b) It was suggested that in future the Beat Bus information could be put on the face book page which might attract more visitors.

PARISHIONERS POINTS - None

PARISH HALL & PLAYING FIELDS - Update – I. Illingworth

- a) Parish Hall – The Christmas lunch went well.
- b) 2022 will be the 75th anniversary
- c) Debt repayment of £500.00 received with thanks. £1,750.00 remaining

CORRESPONDENCE: (Additional)

Received from:

1. Police – County Lines information – sent to all members

Sent to:

1. Street Doctor – blocked drain in Eastcote

PLANNING

Application to be determined

Application	Location	Proposal	PC Comments
WNS/2021/2035/FUL	Home Farm, Cornhill	Retrospective application to vary an agricultural barn	Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PC suggests it should be a new application as the footprint is different & appears to have moved quite a distance. • Query if this is still going to be a barn

FINANCE:	Bank Balances:	a) Current a/c	£66,983.79
		b) Reserve a/c	£16,222.78
	Monies Received	* Allotment rents	£427.00
		* Burial fees	£65.00
		* Purchase of grave space	£90.00

Payment to be Agreed:

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

Chq. No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2016	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	81.50		81.50
2017	Pattishall Parish Hall	S 137 Donation	250.00		250.00
2018	Pattishall Parish Hall	Hire of small hall	12.00		12.00
2019	Anglia Water Business	Allotment supply	131.80		131.80
2020	R. Illingworth Ionis1&1	Website fees – 3 months	45.00	9.00	54.00
2021	GM Home Living Ltd	Church wall repairs	770.00	154.00	924.00
2022	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	326.00	53.28	379.28

- Query if it would be beneficial to both the Parish Hall Association & the Parish Council if the cost of hiring the hall was paid annually instead of monthly. Deferred to January

Audit Matters:

- Internal audit undertaken by NCALC auditor, D. Isaacs
- Bookwork & accounts all in order.
- Clerk to include accounting information onto the website.
- Banking matters – PC encouraged to alter the bank mandate & use online banking instead of cheques. It was agreed that the Clerk should hold discussions with the Bank.

Budget & Precept

- Members were sent budget information prior to the meeting
- It was agreed to spend on updating the lighting & the purchase of play equipment for Booth Close.
- Concerns were expressed at the probable increase in electricity costs.
- It was proposed seconded and agreed to precept for £55,000.00 for the 2022/2023 financial year.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

- **Cornhill Squash Club** - Parish voted in favour to move club from Cornhill
- **Email traffic** – too much from time to time but can be important in between meetings
- **Gritting lorries** – are spreading grit too wide – drivers are being told.
- **HDL application** – PC response to be collated after 10th January.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Seating
- DHL planning application
- PC Face Book page
- * The Queen's Green Canopy
- * Remembrance Day

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 9.45 pm

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 13th January 2022
7.30pm, PATTISHALL PARISH HALL**

Signed:

Dated: