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# PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022, 7.30 pm in Pattishall Parish Hall

**PRESENT:** Mr David Hodges, Vice Chairman

Mr D. Keeble Mrs F. Mytton Mr A. Burley Mr M. Mitton Ms J. Hawtin Mrs S. Toll

In the Chair, Mr David Hodges, Vice Chairman, who welcomed everyone to the meeting, and 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.

A 15 minute 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**: 5 parishioners

**APOLOGIES** – **Reasons for absence to be declared** – B. Evans (work related)

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

**J. Hawtin:** Place of work – Kierwsp / Highways

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

### REPORT FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL

Cllr A. Addison, Lead Member for Pattishall, Cllr K. Cooper, Cllr A. Brown

- Backlog of planning applications is being addressed
- There is a recruitment drive for planning officers.
- The 2021/2022 WNC Annual Report has been published

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

Appointment of a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

**D. Hodges**, proposed by D. Keeble & seconded by J. Hawtin. All members in agreement.

Allotments Association – Liaison – No report

**Lighting** – F. Mytton

- Foliage around lamp posts needing to be cut back:
  - a) Greenway, PL91 hedge needs cutting ack
  - b) Home Close, PL94. F. Mytton to contact landowner who lives in High Street.
  - c) High Street, Astcote PL74, trees to be cut back
- Agreement to cost of renumbering all the existing lamp posts Clerk to contact E. ON
- Quote for LED lamps requested.
- To note Birds Hill light as been re-plumbed in.
- Valley End concrete post to be dealt with.

Fault Report – The Clerk

• All out of order lights have been reported to E. ON

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# Grass Cutting - D. Keeble

- Due to the weather conditions only some of the grass has been mown.
- New burial ground hedge has not been planted due to weather conditions.

# Highways & VAS Signs - D. Hodges

- Query the state of the present VAS sign on Banbury Lane
- Astcote sign has been damaged Clerk to report

### Village Maintenance – A. Burley

- Has all equipment for refurbishing the benches
- J. Russell to look at the bench with broken slat
- Notice Board opposite the school will obtain cost for repairs

#### School Liaison – J. Hawtin

- School 'production' takes place this week
- Precautions are taking place regarding the heat wave.

**Playground Equipment** – J. Hawtin – no update this month

**Defibrillator** – S. Toll – All fine. New pads received.

Parish Council Face Book - S. Toll

# **Hedges, Trees & Churchyard**

- Letters sent to householders in Church Street regarding moving vehicles in order to remove ivy from church wall.
- Hedge at 59A corner of Hodge Close. B. Evans has made a site visit & spoken to the householder who has agreed to cut back the hedge.

# Public Footpaths – J. Woollett & J. Russell

- Paths walked weekly
- RT2 has been cleared
- RT22 is overgrown. Some brambles have been cut back but grass is too high. D. Keeble to make a site visit to ascertain if grass contractors could help. Clerk to contact rights of way.

#### **Bus Route 87** – Ann Atkin

#### **Around Pattishall**

• Future printing – it was agreed that all printing cost were going to increase

# **PARISHIONERS POINTS**

• J. Russell has contacted WNC Ms Unlett regarding the use of Beggar's Lane & understands that Highways England / National Highways are to look at the Astcote junction with the A5

### PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS

- Problem with the sewage system in the hall.
  - a) Camera put down to ascertain problem
  - b) Part collapse & brick found in the pipes.
  - c) System has been flushed through
- The Parish Council was pleased to receive a cheque for £750.00 as the final payment of the loan made to the Parish Hall.
- The Parish Hall will be increasing its charges.
- Picknick in the Park was a great success, well attended and there was a good fly past.
- Concerns raised regarding the entrance to the playing field in the corner of the field by School Road. It is not considered to be safe as users have to access it via a grass verge on School Road.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:** Received & sent

• NCALC – WNC would like to enquire if there are any parcels of land owned by WNC the PC would like to have transferred.

- Concerns regarding the state of the footpaths & Greens. Debris is not being cleared & the porch in the Old Red Lion is full of rubbish. It should be noted that the porch is not the responsibility of the PC. Clerk has contacted National Highways.
- The leaning headstone concerns. Clerk has written to the Co-op requesting a site visit which was agreed. To date no date has been forwarded. Clerk to contact the funeral directors once again.
- Complaint received from a resident regarding a blocked footpath in Simons Walk due to garden work being undertaken. S. Toll to forward information to Clerk.

#### **PLANNING:**

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
WNC.2022/1317/FUL	Land adjacent to May	2 semi-detached houses	Cannot support until all
	Cottage, 4 Greenway	with detached garages	planning matters have
			been clarified. Too many
			conflicting applications
WNC/2022/1261/FUL	Dalscote House	New windows added to	No objections
		1 <sup>st</sup> floor to North &	
		South facade	

- WNS/2022/1245, Land West of High Street, Astcote.
  - a) Planning department to consider the land levels
  - b) PC considers it would be useful for planning department to provide a list of previous applications for this site
- Query regarding the ownership of Rights of Way / Beggars Lane which is a bridleway. Rights of Way are the responsibility of the WNC Highways Dept.

FINANCE: Bank Balances: a) Community a/c £66,125.85

b) Business Premium a/c £16,224.40

**Receipts** Burial fees & AP advert fees £107.77

### **Audit Report**

• All external audit paperwork has been sent to PKF Littlejohn.

It was proposed seconded and resolved to pay the following invoices

Chq.					
No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2068	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	83.80		83.80
2069	Andrew Burley	Maintenance items	36.66		36.66
2070	Barry Evans	Jubilee Fruit Trees	47.00		47.00
2071	West Northants Council	Large waste collection x 2	396.00		396.00
2072	Complete Grounds Maint.	Mowing	1125.00	225.00	1350.00
2073	SGL Ltd	Around Pattishall printing.	598.00		598.00
2074	NCALC	Annual subs	784.98	49.00	833.98
2075	E. ON	Lighting maintenance	377.27	75.45	452.72
2076	Cheque cancelled	Incorrect amount	0.00		0.00
2077	E. ON	Photocell & replumbing	111.29	22.25	133.54
2078	A. Addison	Salary & expenses	326.00	59.31	385.31

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### **COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

### D. Keeble – DHL planning applications

- Scheme to the rear of Bell Plantation has been approved
- Supplementary Planning document now out for consultation (100 pages)
- There will be a 'drop in 'centre at The Forum to assist with concerns ref the size of the development
- To note large buildings, AL1 & AL2 height restrictions are classed as 'exceptional circumstances' Clerk to enquire meaning of' exceptional circumstances'
- PC to hold a working party in week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> July D. Keeble to organise.
- S. Toll Leys Road garages Grand Union Housing will deal with the problem.
- D. Hodges Speeding in School Road concern as children will soon be back at school
- Clerk to ask highways for temporary speeding signs
- Clerk to enquire from Blisworth Clerk where to obtain 30mph wheelie bin stickers
- Query if WNC has a Road Safety Officer.

Signed: .....

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** 

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 9.46 pm.

THURSDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER 2022, 7.30 pm

**Date:** .....