

PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 28th June 2023, 7.30 pm in
Pattishall Parish Hall

PRESENT: Cllr B. Evans, Chairman Cllr D. Hodges, Vice-Chairman
Cllr D. Keeble Cllr F. Mytton Cllr N. Banister
Cllr J. Hawtin Cllr I. Illingworth

In the Chair, Mr Barry Evans, 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 members of the public

APOLOGIES – Reasons for absence to be declared. A. Burley (Work), M. Mitton (work)

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 with the following amendments:

P.236: * Seat in remembrance of D. Townsend is an additional bench.

* Defibrillator – J. Hawtin to forward contact details to Clerk

REPORT FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL

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

No update this month.

MATTERS FOR REPORT – New & Arising from the Minutes:

Allotments Association – Liaison – B. Evans

- No problems reported.

Lighting – F. Mytton reported on the following:

- a) Update on improvements. 7 more lanterns @ £279 installed
- b) 20 lanterns installed most with new night cells.
- c) It is hoped the updating work will be completed by the end of June. However, work is a little behind due to E. ON staff shortages.
- d) PL74 has problems – a) it has an old bracket, b) it is blocked by 2 trees.
- e) Letter from Mr Hopcraft – Clerk has acknowledged.
- f) Correspondence regarding PL99, Church Street
- g) Solar lighting for Church steps. I. Illingworth to inform the PCC of the Parish Council's intentions of installing 2 solar lights by the steps to the New Burial Ground & Garden of Remembrance. I. Illingworth to purchase lights.
- h) Clerk to draft a general letter regarding the new street lighting.

Highways Maintenance– D. Hodges

- Clerk to contact National Highways regarding cutting back grass at the junction of the A5 & Astcote High Street. Motorists unable to see oncoming traffic along the A5.

Highways Improvements – N. Banister

- Report on site visit by S. Barber, VAS signs.
 - a) PC needs to obtain a license to instal VAS signs. No previous licenses have been obtained.
 - b) VAS signs can only be installed within the 30mph limits.
 - c) 30mph signs cannot be moved towards Rothersthorpe as there are no houses along this stretch of road, therefore unable to use for VAS signs.
- Dog bin service – several complaints received regarding overflowing bins. Clerk to contact the contractor reference collection times.
- Traffic calming & temporary 30mph road signs.
- Further visit from H. Howard to ascertain where further traffic calming can be undertaken. NB: the Clerk has contacted H. Howard who can make a site visit to look at siting ‘village gates.’
- Concerns regarding additional on road car parking in Astcote High Street.
- Clerk to ask WNC to remove the bin from Blacksmiths Close by the salt bin.
- Tree on corner of Pool Close & Simons Walk causing problems. Roots have become a trip hazard. Tree is now overshadowing several gardens.

Grass Cutting – D. Keeble

- First mow of the season not up to standard. – contractor is to work with the team.
- Eastcote hill needs grass cutting on the side without a footpath.
- Garden of Remembrance is now being kept tidy by S. Fitchett from Milton Malsor.

Village Maintenance – A. Burley

- Waiting for notice board repairs.
- Clerk to contact Greenbones.

School Liaison – J. Hawtin

- a) Report from Head Teacher received:
 - Parking at drop off times better since the cone intervention scheme.
 - Would be nice to have some cardboard cut-out people as some other schools do.
 - Now in term 6. Just 6 weeks left until the end of the summer term.
 - Busy working on the curriculum development.
 - Sports day in the playing fields is on 26th June.
 - Looking forward to year 5 & 6 performance of Shrek.
 - There are 3 Governor vacancies, and it would be good to recruit a member of the local community. The Governors meet 6 times a year between 1 pm & 3 pm, in the school.

Playground Equipment – J. Hawtin

- New baby swing seats on order to be delivered to D. Keeble.

Playground Maintenance:

- ROSPA inspection due in June. PC will be informed of date. D. Keble to meet with the Inspector.
- Members inspection rota. Found & passed onto next member.
- Booth Close play area - Chairman to contact adjoining field owner regarding the tree overhanging the swings. It is understood the tree is healthy& not dangerous. Information needed in writing – Chairman to deal with the matter.

Defibrillator – Clerk to ask S. Toll if she is still able to inspect defibrillator.

Parish Council Face Book – C. Sander – all in order.

Hedges, Trees & Churchyard – N. Banister

- Green bin saga - £55 paid in March. WNC unable to find payment. Payment found in name of household in Church Street. Matter took several weeks to resolve.
- Request for Burial Ground plans from the Church Warden – sent.

Public Footpaths – J. Woollett & J. Russell

- To note, there are 13 miles of local footpaths to look after.
- The team would like to find a third member to join them.

Grants & Notice Boards – I. Illingworth

- Greenbarnes contacted regarding Perspex for notice board doors. – acknowledgement received.

Around Pattishall – B. Evans

- Gathering information for next edition.

Bus Route 87 & minibus – Ann Atkin & N. Banister

- Waiting for DVLA approval for the minibus approval.

PARISHIONERS POINTS & PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS

- Community Café –30 to 40 attendees. Last meeting on Friday, 9th June until September.
- 8th July – Picnic in the Park event. Ticket sales already good.
- Work on drains is in hand.

CORRESPONDENCE: Dealt with under separate headings.

PLANNING: No new applications received

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments

- DHL application still outstanding
- Millfield application still outstanding

FINANCE: Bank Balances:

a) Community a/c	£86,507.75 (19/5/23)
b) Business Premium a/c	£16,258.60

Monies Received

WNC 2022 mowing grant	£958.22
WNC 1 st ½ precept	£30,250.00
WNC CIL	£2621.27

Audit Report

- Auditors report forwarded to all members.
- Accounting Statement, Annual Governance Statement, agreed.
- Accounts forwarded to external auditor.
- Accounts & audit information to be put on the website.

To Note:

- Difficulties with Barclays Bank Business Call – account details not being recognised therefore unable to obtain up to date cash flow information.
- Clerk has spoken to the bank with little help. Will write to the account branch which is now in Leicester.

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

Chq. No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2170	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	92.20		92.20
2171	Glasdon UK Ltd	Dog bin posts x 2	206.54	41.31	247.85
2172	Anglian Water	Allotment supply	29.11		29.11
2173	Pattishall Parish Hall	Hire of small hall x 3	60.00		60.00
2174	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	369.34	73.73	443.07
2175	Pattishall Parish Hall	Hire of small hall x 2	40.00		40.00
2176	SGL Print & Design Ltd	Replacement chq. Print AP	476.00		476.00
2177	Cancelled	PC no longer needs this bin			

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

- Grand Union Housing – hedge along Festival & Leys Road needs attention once nesting season ends in August.
- Hedge overhanging path in Church Street – I. Illingworth to obtain address.

CLERK’S REPORT:

- Briefing on Local Area Partnerships (LAPS). Monday 26th June via Zoom, from 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm. Two delegates.
- Clerk to order 10 large poppies for street display.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 10.15 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 11th JULY 2023, 7.30 pm

Signed:

Date: