

# PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023, 7.00 pm in  
Pattishall Parish Hall

**PRESENT:** Cllr B. Evans, Chairman Cllr D. Hodges, Vice-Chairman  
Cllr D. Keeble Cllr F. Mytton Cllr M. Mitton  
Cllr J. Hawtin Cllr J. Russell

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.

The Chairman informed members of the public about the additional late agenda item 13, Exclusion of the Public. A confidential matter due to a discussion regarding a Council member relating to a personal matter.

The Chairman welcomed Jon Russell, the newly coopted member of the Council.

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 can be found on the facebook page & PC website.

**ATTENDING:** 2 parishioners

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

N. Banister (Personal), A. Burley (work), I Illingworth (Personal)

**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.

**REPORT FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL**

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

- Finance – Like many Councils, WNC is working hard to avoid a budget deficit.
- Work being considered in Northampton to include demolishing the old M & S building, BHS building in Abington Street & the old job centre in Wood Street. Concerns regarding asbestos.
- Cabinet to focus on critical items such as demands on vulnerable adults & children's services.
- Consultations are now out for comment on:
  - a) Emergencies – How prepared are you?
  - b) Public spaces protection orders, in particular an anti-social behaviour order for Marble Arch in Northampton.

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

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

- Treasurer has resigned from the Association.
- Request received to hold a meeting with the PC before the October meeting.

**Lighting – F. Mytton**

- Clerk has written to Mr Davies regarding reasons for new lighting & night cells.
- PL75, Hodge Close out of order. Concern as it has recently been upgraded. E. ON has been contacted.
- To upgrade PL62 - £298 + VAT – agreed.
- Npan has been updated. There has been a 28% reduction in energy consumption with the biggest reason being the introduction of LED lanterns.
- New charges as from 1<sup>st</sup> September – as 34p kw, now 50p kw
- PL34 – concerns received from residents regarding brightness. Site visit to be arranged.

**Highways - D. Hodges**

- Meeting arranged with WNC highways & portfolio holder on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> September at 10.00 am. Venue: Leys Road. Topic – state of concrete highway surface.
- Concerns expressed by public & members regarding the scaffolding outside Festal Grange, Church Street. Clerk has written to G. Lunn & informed H. Howard, highways liaison.
- Closure of the A43 from M1 J15A from 8.00 pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> September to 6 am on 25<sup>th</sup> September.
- Parking sign on the gable end of 34 Simons Walk now faded & ‘unauthorised residents’ are parking in the layby. Clerk has contacted WNC highways who state the notice is unauthorised as the area is public highway & anyone can park there.
- Clearway at Fosters Booth Road from the A5. Query to highways as to why this is the only junction with the A5 that has a clearway. Double yellow lines have been requested.

**Highways Improvements – N. Banister**

- Parking restrictions requested on Fosters Booth Road. Request has been logged by WNC and will be included for consideration in the next WNC annual restriction review at the end of August, start of September.

**Grass Cutting – D. Keeble**

- Correspondence from P. Anstead regarding grass verge outside her home & parking issues. Site visit to be made.
- Clerk to ask highways for a verge map for Home Close.

**Village Maintenance – J. Russell**

- Work is continuing with refurbishing the public benches.
- 2 door notice board needed for the Eastcote site.

**School Liaison – I. Illingworth report by J. Hawtin.**

- 27 children started in Reception.
- Fire at the school destroying a gazebo.
- Some leylandii trees have been felled. New trees to be planted & donations of a tree would be welcome.

**Playground Equipment**

- Enquiry sent to Wicksteed regarding a quote for various pieces of play equipment.

**Playground Maintenance – D. Keeble, J. Russell**

- Zip wire needs tightening.
- Work to be undertaken on refurbishing the roundabout.
- Booth Cloe site – swings & surface to be replaced.
- Butchers Lane – twisted chain on ‘basket’ has been fixed.
- Spikes to deter birds needed for the top of equipment.
- School Rd site – 5 sided swings need attention.
- No dogs, signs needed.

**Defibrillator – I. Illingworth – No problems****Parish Council Face Book – C. Sander – no problems**

**Hedges, Trees & Churchyard** – N. Banister

- Church Wall – quote received from G. Billing to repair a small section of the wall by the steps @ £850 + VAT.
- Quote received to repair 10m of stone wall @£7,900.00.
- Wall, site visit to be made.

**Grants & Notice Boards** – I. Illingworth – No report this month.**Public Footpaths** – J. Woollett & J. Russell, Bob Illingworth

- Complaint received regarding the state of RT15. Will make a site visit & clear if necessary.
- RF10 blockage cleared.
- RT16 cleared.
- RT29 to be looked at.

**Neighbourhood Watch** – L. Hemming

- 42 attendees at the resuscitation demonstration.
- 4 PCSOs along with First Responders attended.
- Flowers from Pink Wellies given to L. Hemming in thanks for all her work with the Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

**Bus Route 87 & Minibus** – N. Banister

- Minibus now available for use in Pattishall,

**Around Pattishall** – B. Evans**PARISHIONERS POINTS**

- To note, Sands Farm development work has now started.
- Pattishall WI – request for PC support as WI members wish to resume the café. 12 dates have been agreed with the Parish Hall @ £240.00. Unanimous support from PC members.

**PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS**

- Drains have been repaired.
- Further electrical work to be undertaken.

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

- Concern received from a resident regarding a massage & bondage premises on School Road, run by two women. Clerk has contacted WNC licensing & the Police. Police are investigating.
- Parking problems in Simons Walk & diesel spillage.

**PLANNING:****DHL**

- PC objections to the addendum to the AIMSUN TRAFFIC Modelling Report sent to WNC planning & Dan Callis the case officer.
- Save Towcester Now (STN) Stop Press – National Highways has announced a hold on all the AL developments that impact on the Tove roundabout pending further investigations into cumulative traffic sensitivities.
- D. Keeble attended a planning meeting regarding the New Modelling.
- J. Russell attended a meeting of Towcester Town Council discussing DHL. The Town Council will be objecting to the New Modelling.

<b>Application</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Comments</b>
2023/6004/FUL	Willows, Butchers Lane	Loft Conversion & garden room. House is currently under construction. Application S/2020/1895/FUL	PC Comments No Objections
2023/6170/FUL	12 Birds Hill Road	Demolish Conservatory, construct single storey front extension	PC comments No Objections
2023/6120/FUL	28 Leys Road	2 storey front extension	PC comments
2023/5563/FUL	Harefield Farm	Variation of conditions to planning S/1994/0244/P 2 storey farmhouse – removal of agricultural occupancy	PC comments Objects to the removal of occupation. No reason has been given.
2023/6478/OUT	4 Watling Street East	Outline to demolish the public house & erect 6 terrace houses with associated parking. All matters reserved	PC comments <input type="checkbox"/> Width of RT15 appears to be reduced. <input type="checkbox"/> No high walls to be built at the front as this would reduce visibility on the A5
2023/6396/FUL	15 High Street, Ascote	Alterations to porch, front roof raised alterations to rear roof replace conservatory & new dormer windows	PC comments No objections

<b>FINANCE: Bank Balances:</b>	a) Community a/c	£71,951.59
	b) Business Premium a/c	£16,292.50

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

<b>Chq. No.</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>Cheques sanctioned for payment during the August recess</b>				
2198	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	92.20		92.20
2199	J. Bonifas	Installing dog waste bin	200.00		200.00
2200	PrintWizz Ltd	Bollard covers & logo	360.00	72.00	432.00
2201.	Iris Illingworth	Pant, Oil & solar lights	58.97		58.97
2202	Pattishall Parish Hall	Hire of hall x 4	60.00		60.00
2203	Complete Grounds Maint.	Grass mowing	577.50	115.50	693.00
2204	Information Commissioner	Data Protection	40.00		40.00
2205	Bob Illingworth	Website fees	45.00	9.00	54.00
2206	Print Wizz	Bs flyers	68.00		68.00
2207	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	369.47	47.45	416.92
2208	Npower	Lighting supply	6.74	0.36	7.10
2209	Complete Grounds Maint.	Churchyard maintenance	1292.50	258.50	1551.00
<b>Sept. 2023</b>	<b>Cheques sanctioned for payment in September</b>				
2210	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	92.20		92.20
2211	Npower	Lighting supply x 2 invoices	17.32	0.93	18.25
2212	NCALC	Training Course	48.00	9.60	57.60
2213	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services x 3 months	69.00		69.00
2214	Anglia Water	Allotment supply	209.85		209.85
2215	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expense	369.34	59.47	428.81
2216	Complete Grounds Maint.	Mowing & Weed spraying	1442.50	288.50	1731.00
2217	J. Russell	Maintenance Materials	89.95		89.95
2218	S. Fitchett	G of R work	27.50		27.50

### Finance Issues

- Please note that individual members cannot order works to be undertaken without the consent of the Council. Members cannot authorise payments without the consent of Council.

### COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

- Eastcote crossroads – Clerk to ask WNC for a replacement bin.
- Parish lottery – request from a member for a working party to discuss the suggestion. To note, there will be a presentation about lotteries at the working group meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> October. Suggest NCALC should be asked for an opinion.
- Resident concerned by the highway work at Greenway.
- The Produce Show:
  - a) Over 500 entries
  - b) Increase in visitors.
  - c) Increase in PC grant for the 2024 show to be considered.

**EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS.**

‘Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960; LGA 1972 S100, it is resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public & press are asked to leave the meeting during the consideration of Council membership.’

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 9.30 pm

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023, 6.30 pm**

**Signed:** .....

**Date:** .....