

PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 14th March 2024, 7.00 pm in
Pattishall Parish Hall

PRESENT:

Cllr B. Evans, Chairman	Cllr D. Hodges, Vice-Chairman
Cllr D. Keeble	Cllr F. Mytton
Cllr J. Russell	Cllr N. Banister
	Cllr M. Mitton
	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. The Chairman was pleased to welcome special guests, a group of the Pattishall Scouts and their Scout Leaders.

A 15 minute slot had been set aside at 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: 8 members of the public, Pattishall Scouts Group

APOLOGIES – Reasons for absence to be declared. S. Raper (Illness)

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

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.267: to confirm the exact location of the 4 speed indicator signs to be installed

a) To be wired into PL48 streetlight outside 81 High Street, Ascote.

b) In the Birds Hill dip with solar panels & fitted to swivel around periodically.

c) To be wired into PL58 streetlight on Butchers Lane.

d) On Butchers Lane at the entrance to the Parish driving from Rothersthorpe, fitted with solar panels.

P.267: to note that the mowing contract was approved.

To note: The Chairman agreed to move the planning agenda item to the top of the agenda.

PLANNING – D. Keeble

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
2024/1062/MAF	Valley Fields, Cornhill, Pattishall	Change of use to erect 5 glamping units, 2 yurts, bike store, new parking area, communal sauna & refuse/recycling facility.	PC Comments: Due to the red line being investigated, there will be a new application.
2024/1214/FUL	10 Leys Road, Pattishall	Construct 2 bedroom dwelling & associate works, demolition of garage & alterations of vehicular access.	PC comments: Members requested to look through the application paperwork. D. Keeble to collate comments.
2024/0395/PIP	Land to the rear of 14 Birds Hill Road, Eastcote	Permission in Principle for demolition of existing buildings & erection of 1-2 new dwellings.	PC comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application is outside the confines. • Encroaches onto green space of the Parish.
2024/1375/FUL	Sands Farm Barn	Install solar panels	PC No objections

To Note:**10 Leys Road**

- A previous application for a dwelling on this site was turned down on appeal.
- This application is smaller & the inspector has no objections.

Valley Fields, Cornhill application:

- Received from Mr. D. Joyce: objections to the Cornhill application & forwarded to all members.
- Clerk has asked the planning case officer, Shamal London, for updated information.
 - a) Red line boundary dispute being investigated.
 - b) Consultation period to be extended for additional consultations (neighbours/consultees)
 - c) Re-notification (21 days) as number reference of application has been changed from Major to Minor.
- To note, there are 12 properties in Cornhill.
- Objections to the application raised by residents:
 - a) Detrimental to neighbouring properties & an eyesore on the landscape.
 - b) Application in the middle of the site & therefore can be seen from several areas.
 - c) Noise, & lighting pollution.
 - d) No facilities on the site.
 - e) Anti-social behaviour concerns.
 - f) Site is close to the Cornhill burial ground.
- As there is to be a new application due to the red line investigation, the Parish Council's response will be made on the new application.

West Northants Local Plan

- There are 14 questions to be addressed & answered.
- Would the PC like to see the confines increased.
- Does the PC want or need further large development.

PARISHIONERS POINTS:

- Questions from The Scouts:
 - a) Would like some more swings for older children in the Butchers Lane play area.
 - b) Cllr. I. Illingworth explained that the PC had been in discussion with 3 play equipment providers and were close to accepting quotes for new equipment.
 - c) The Group were invited to attend the Parish Council's Open Day on Friday 15th March which was open to the public from 3.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

REPORT FROM WEST NORTHANTS COUNCIL**Cllr A. Addison, Lead Member for Pattishall, Cllr K. Cooper, Cllr A. Brown**

- WNC budget meeting held & agreed.
- Concern expressed at the overspend on children's services,
- WNC & NNC to agree on the share of debt left by the former County Council.
- There will be an election for the Police, Crime & Fire Commissioner in May.

MATTERS FOR REPORT – New & Arising from the Minutes:**Allotments Association – Liaison – B. Evans**

- Allotment Tenancy Agreement received. Proposals discussed and agreed.
 - a) Agreement to run for 4 years instead of two.
 - b) Annual rent to be increased from £300.00 pa to £400.00 pa. To note, this is the first increase in 10 years.
 - c) Rent to be paid @ £200.00 per ½ year starting on 1st April 2024.

Lighting – F. Mytton

- Rollover ringfenced reserve fund. Request for funding for 2023 lighting programme not completed to be carried forward to the 2024/25 financial year. Agreed.
- PL81 outside 2 Birds Hill Rd.
 - a) E. ON have altered the lantern.
 - b) Cllrs F. Mitton & J. Russell visited householders to discuss cutting back the foliage on their property which is obscuring the streetlight.
- Large tree on grass verge opposite 12 Birds Hill Road has a large branch which is overhanging the road & obscuring a streetlight. The PC has been informed that this tree has a TPO on it. Clerk to make enquiries about cutting the branch back with the WNC tree officer.
- Light by the OBG – delay in delivery of new fittings which in turn is holding up work on other lighting.
- Clerk to contact Mrs Frost in The Crescent regarding a light shining in a bedroom window.

Highways Safety & Improvements – N. Banister

- Letter sent to Andrea Leadsom MP after her visit to the Parish, regarding the speed limit on the A5.
- Some roads have been patched both large & small patches.
- Some drains have collapsed – waiting for Anglian water to make good.
- Millfield – there is a 26 week wait for patching work to be undertaken.
- Butchers Lane ditch full of rubbish.
- School Road flooding due to raised patching work.
- Footpath by Simons walk needs attention.
- VAS & SID's doing work with Cold Higham on the project.

Grass Cutting, hedges, trees & the Churchyard – D. Hodges

- There is a problem with mowing the bank at the top of Butchers Lane. John's Motors spoken to. They will now take responsibility for the plot.
- Grass is too wet to mow at present.
- Trees opposite the Parish Hall need pruning – I. Illingworth to do.
- Suggestion from a resident for the PC to donate land to grow communal vegetables.

School Liaison – I. Illingworth

- Litter Pick – children would like to help – the playing fields suggested for safety reasons.
- Children will be recognising D Day
- Will be speaking to the school children about new play equipment on the 19/3/24.

Playground Equipment – I. Illingworth

- Discussion & agreement for the May PC meeting.

Playground & Village Maintenance – J. Russell

- Westher is preventing much of the outdoor work.
- The roundabout to be moved.
- Wicksteed have repainted equipment.
- Playground inspection undertaken by J. Russell
- Notice board locks can now be fitted.
- The Crescent Green – new posts needed.
- Seat in Church Street needs levelling.
- Labs in GofR & the wild flower garden need attention.

Defibrillator – I. Illingworth – New pads will be needed in April. Clerk will order.

Parish Council Face Book – N. Bannister, S. Raper – working well.

Grants & Notice Boards – I. Illingworth

- £500 grant received in support of the community café.

Community Engagement – S. Raper, I. Illingworth

Public Footpaths – J. Woollett & J. Russell, Bob Illingworth

- Wet weather making matters difficult.

Bus Route 87 & Minibus – N. Banister – No news**Around Pattishall** – B. Evans

- Donation of £150 from Cold Higham PC towards their copies.

PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS - No report this month.**CORRESPONDENCE:****Received from:**

1. G. Greaves, Clerk to Cold Higham PC – Around Pattishall contribution of £150.00.
 - a) Request for Pattishall PC bank details for funds to be transferred – sent.
 - b) Request for Pattishall PC to be advised of the contribution & the matter recorded in the minutes.
2. Elan City – information regarding solar radar speed signs, Information sent to N. Banister.
3. Marcus Young – 2024/2025 increase in dog bin emptying charges to £3.50 + VAT per bin.
4. WNC Steve Dadswell, highway investigations officer – Home Close highway concerns.
 - a) Home Close is an unadopted road – as a result of enquiries made to the PC by a resident, the Clerk contacted WNC who informed the PC office that the Close was an unadopted road.
 - b) The PC will continue to pay for lighting & repair of the streetlights but will not be responsible for verge grass cutting.
 - c) Clerk to write to all Home Close residents.

Sent to:

1. WNC, Alan Burns – query regarding the annual grass mowing grant.

FINANCE: Bank Balances:	a) Community a/c	£71,951.59
	b) Business Premium a/c	£16,292.50
Received:	AP Advertising	£176.00

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

14th

Chq. No.	Payee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
2278	Complete Grounds Man.	Booth Close tree works	1490.00	298.00	1788.00
2279	IONOS R. Illingworth	Website fees	45.00	9.00	54.00
2280	Npower Commercial Gas	Lighting supply x 2 inv.	44.97	2.25	47.22
	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	92.20		92.20
	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services x 3 month	69.00		69.00
	Greenbarnes Ltd	Notice Board items	60.40	12.08	72.48
	Anglian Water	Allotment supply	19.29		19.29
	SGL Print & Design Ltd	Around Pattishall Printing	539.00		539.00
	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	369.34	46.33	415.67
	NCALC	Zoom Training session	42.00	8.40	50.40
	Complete Grounds Man.	Herbicide treatments x 5	265.00	53.00	318.00
	Miss S. Raper	Banner	81.64	16.33	97.97

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.
- Budget information received from D. Keeble.
- New cheque book requested.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Parish Council Community Day, 22nd March 2024

- Number of tables booked.
- Hall to be set up from 12.00 noon.
- Visitors from 3.00 pm

D Day Activities – 6th June – [Item for the April meeting.](#)

- N. Banister contacted Cold Higham PC who are putting on a display from 6.00 pm in the village hall of facts & articles about the original D Day landings. They will be using their silhouettes used for Remembrance Sunday and will be decorating the hall windows with paint as poppy fields.

They will also light a lantern. There will be a mini fete on the 15th June.

- Mews Court, Butchers Lane ditch – builders have agreed to clear.
- I. Illingworth & A. Addison to continue to work on the PC Policies.
- Copy of the Parsh Hall Deeds given to the Clerk.
- Dog Waste Bins – it has been reported by the collection contractors that the dog bins are being used to put ordinary waste / rubbish in. Chairman will put a notice in the next edition of Around Pattishall. Matter should be reported on the face book page.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 11th MARCH 2024, 7.00 pm.

PLEASE NOTE

There will be two meetings on the 11th March.

- 1. The Annual Parish Meeting, immediately followed by**
- 2. The April Parish Council meeting**

Signed:

Date: