

**NORTON PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2016**

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan  
Councillors: - N. Thornton, A. Adams, G. Morgan, E. Franks, C. Wilson,  
J. Shaw, J. Atkins.  
Also in attendance - Ward Cllr. I. Beech, Inspector D. Jones and 1 member of  
the public.

**DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS**

There were no declarations.

ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. B. Wood,  
W. Grant, J. Gilliver and D. Rennison.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 8 November 2016 were  
proposed as a true record by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Shaw and all  
were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.

ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman reported that the long awaited memorial bench had now been  
sited on High Street in the original position requested. The Clerk added that  
the licence for its siting had also been received from DMBC.

Cllr. Shaw reported that some of the leaves had been removed from The  
Spinney; however, there were still more required removing.

Cllr. Atkins reported that additional keys had been acquired for the allotment  
gate and that they had been distributed to the new allotment holders.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Development Plan:

The Chairman reported that most items on the development plan were  
pending.

(b) Police Matters:

The Chairman welcomed and introduced Police Inspector David Jones.

Inspector Jones reported that he was a temporary Inspector for the North and  
West Division responsible for 18 PCSO's but no police officers. There were  
significant changes to the policing in South Yorkshire as a result of budget and  
resource limitations; however, they were looking to improve neighbourhood  
policing with better relationships with Town and Parish Councils.

Cllr. Adams outlined the current problems being experienced on the A19 as a  
result of the lack of realistic speed reduction from the junction of Norton  
Common Road to the 30 mph signs near the garage in Askern. DMBC's  
response was that there had been insufficient road traffic incidents resulting in  
death to warrant a reduction in speed. As a result of the poor response from  
DMBC contact had been made with Ed Miliband MP and Ros Jones Mayor of  
Doncaster.

Police Matters (Cont'd):

Inspector Jones offered to instigate road traffic monitoring at this location to establish if a reduction in traffic speed was justified.

Cllr. Franks reported incidents of lamping and dumping of rubbish at Shepcotes, and Cllr. Wilson reported on the problem of quad bikes and motorcycles in Campsall Country Park.

Inspector Jones advised that funding had been made available in 2017 to purchase off-road bikes to police the off roaders.

Cllr. Atkins expressed the wide concern about the 101 telephone service and the very poor answering, with no guarantee of response times experienced by members of the public.

Inspector Jones admitted that the service had its faults and advised that police staff would be provided with mobile phones so as not to block up the 101 service when responding to the centre.

The Clerk reported on the traffic speeds being experienced in the village of Norton and asked what the procedure would be to allow the erection of signs in the village advising of the presence of speed cameras. Inspector Jones agreed to make enquiries and report back.

Inspector Jones advised that he or a member of his team would be willing to attend Parish Council meetings as a when required.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Jones for his visit, and Inspector Jones left the meeting.

(c) Highway Matters/Environmental Matters:

The Chairman reported the very poor condition of the highway outside the Church in Campsall.

(d) Parish Magazine:

Cllr. G. Morgan reported that the latest edition of the magazine had now been distributed.

(e) Campsall 4A Trust:

Cllr. Shaw reported that finances were still very tight, still awaiting the £300 from Network Gas.

(f) Campsall Country Park:

Cllr. Wilson reported that the stonemason had completed the stonework to the bridge, just remains to have the railings erected following a tender process.

(g) Playgrounds:

Cllr. Adams reported that the consultation with parishioners and local children to establish what equipment was required was scheduled to take place in the New Year.

(h) Christmas Trees & Lights:

The Chairman reported that the trees and lights were now fully functioning throughout the parish following the problems experienced at Sutton with the supply of a small 8 foot tree; which had to be replaced.

(i) Budget & Precept 2017/18:

The Clerk referred to the draft budget circulated with the agenda and enquired if there were any questions. It was also pointed out that there was a possibility that if the Parish Council requested an increase in excess of 1.95% above last year's precept there was a possibility that the Parish Council may have to hold a referendum; for which they would have to pay. The precept requested would be inclusive of the DMBC grant.

Cllr. Atkins proposed that the precept inclusive of DMBC should be the same as last year, i.e. £56,950. Cllr. G. Morgan seconded the proposal and all were in agreement.

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**Resolved:**

That the precept inclusive of DMBC grant for 2017/18 should remain the same as last year, i.e. £56,950.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 16/00791/FUL – Conversion of former pig breeding unit to detached bungalow (being resubmission of 15/00693/FUL, refused 03/06/2015) at Virginia House Selby Road Askern – Appeal Dismissed – Decision Noted.
- 16/02937/FUL & 16/02738/LBC – Conversion of barn to dwelling, with associated works at Manor House Barn No Road Campsall.  
Observations:  
If the application is approved all works and materials must be in keeping with the Village Design Statement.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- S.Y. Fire & Rescue – Briefings - Circulated
- DMBC – Licence to Erect Memorial Bench - Noted
- CPRE – Countryside Voice - Circulated
- CPRE – Field Work - Circulated
- HM Revenue & Customs – Paying Your Pay as You Earn - Noted
- Ros Jones – Holding Response – The Clerk advised that in the absence of the Mayor the complaint about speed limits on the A19 had been passed to another Member of DMBC, and that he had responded that the Parish Council would await the return of the Mayor as she had local knowledge.
- Tesco – Bags of Help Grant – Circulated.

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	<u>£</u>
• D. Telford – Salary – November 2016	835.54
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. – November 2016	259.86
• B. Peel – Wages – November 2016	583.05
• YPO – Cleaning Materials & Stationery	211.85
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	456.06
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	312.94
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	1,178.50
• Siemens Financial Services – Photocopier Lease	56.19
• DMBC – Repairs to Schoolboy Play Area	102.00
• Campsall 4A Trust (Already Paid)	500.00
• J. Atkins – Allotment Keys	9.50

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ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (Cont'd)

	<u>£</u>
• M. Morgan – Christmas Lights	119.98
• DMBC (ACE) Christmas Trees	630.00
• M. Morgan – Power Pack & Cables	38.96

Total for the month of November 2016 £5,294.43

Cllr. Thornton proposed payment of the accounts for the month of November 2016, seconded by Cllr. Atkins and all were in agreement.

**Resolved:** That the accounts for the month of November 2016 be approved for payment.

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Adams reported that Norton School had been extremely grateful for the offer of the Christmas tree donated to the Parish Council by Mr. Saul.  
Cllr. Shaw reported that she had investigated possible roadside seeds and requested guidance on the type of soil before ordering the seed. It was agreed that Cllrs. Thornton and Franks would supply the information.  
Cllr. Wilson reported that the small grassed area behind the memorial bench was inaccessible for cutting and looked a mess, and suggested that the Parish Council pave over the area.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

Signed.....(Chairman) Dated.....