

**NORTON PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2017**

Present: Chairman – Councillor J. Atkins  
Councillors: - N. Thornton, B. Wood, C. Wilson, W. Grant.  
Also in attendance one member of the public.

DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS  
Cllrs. Atkins and Wilson declared a personal interest in item 4 (e) Campsall 4A Trust.

ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received from Cllrs. M. Morgan, G. Morgan, J. Shaw, D. Rennison, A. Adams and J. Gilliver.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 13 December 2017 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Thornton and all were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.

ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING  
Cllr. Thornton reported that he had contacted Cllr. Shaw following the last meeting to advise on the wild seed selection for the grass verge along the A19. Cllr. Wood enquired if any response had been received from the Mayor regarding the revised speed limits for the A19 where it enters the parish. The Clerk reported that he had responded to the Mayor's Secretary advising that the Parish Council would prefer to await the return of the Mayor as she had a local interest in the issue. To date no further response had been received.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Development Plan:

Cllr. Wood reported that enquiries were still be made by the elderly residents of Cridling Gardens regarding the provision of a bus shelter on High Street Norton. Following the disappointing response from SYPTE it was agreed that the Clerk contact them to see if there was a further spare shelter that the Parish Council could acquire and erect at its own expense.

(b) Police Matters:

The Clerk reported that no further response had been received from Inspector Jones regarding the proposed traffic speed monitoring on the A19 Selby Road Norton.

Cllr. Wilson reported on a serious assault on a resident in their home on Churchfield Road Campsall, plus vandalism on the new development in Askern. There had also been a spate of burglaries in Norton.

Cllr. Wood reported that the number plates had been stolen from a parked vehicle, fixed to another vehicle which then tried to acquire petrol at a local filling station.

The member of the public present enquired as to how to establish a Neighbourhood Watch Committee in Campsall. The member of the public was advised to contact PCSO Toni Bratby.

- (c) Highway Matters/Environmental Matters:  
Cllr. Wilson enquired if any action had been taken to replace the small section of grass behind the memorial bench erected outside the Community Centre at Wellingtonia Drive. The Clerk advised that he would contact St Leger Homes to see if they would pave the area or alternatively give the Parish Council permission to carry out the work.  
Cllr. Wood reported that the surface water gullies on High Street in the vicinity of The Laurels were choked and the area flooded during wet weather.  
Cllr. Thornton reported that the old West Riding road sign that was knocked down on Post Office Corner several years ago was still in the safe keeping of the owner of the Post Office. In view of the imminent closure of the Post Office DMBC should be requested to collect the sign and reposition it.
- (d) Parish Magazine:  
The Chairman reported that he had received several favourable comments about the quality of the magazine from residents.  
Cllr. Wood enquired if any progress had been made with the identity badges for Members. The Clerk agreed to visit Stapples to look at the badge holders.
- (e) Campsall 4A Trust:  
Cllr. Wilson reported that the funding application for this year had been oversubscribed and as a consequence turned down. This meant that other funding sources would have to be sought and in the meantime funding may have to be sought from the Parish Council to cover the shortfall. It was agreed that the issue be discussed at the next meeting when hopefully there would be a full complement of Members. The Trust would be holding a meeting very shortly to determine what additional funding was required.
- (f) Campsall Country Park:  
Cllr. Wilson reported that DMBC vehicles had caused damage to several areas of grassland in the park; however, Ward Cllr. Austen White had given assurances that the areas would be repaired as soon as the weather dried up.  
Cllr. Wilson reported that motorcycles and the occasional quad bike were still gaining access to the park and that further preventative works were required.
- (g) Playgrounds:  
No report received.
- (h) Fire Equipment Maintenance Contract:  
The Clerk referred to the two invoices received from GFA Premier Ltd in respect of the recent fire safety inspection carried out at the Community Building. The Clerk indicated that he was present when the inspection was carried out and was disappointed with the additional works required considering that there had been no changes in the legislation since the last annual inspection. The Clerk suggested that the existing contract with GFA Premier should be terminated and that an alternative company be approached for the next annual inspection.  
Cllr. Wood proposed that the existing contract be terminated and a new company be sourced. Cllr. Wilson seconded the proposal and all were in agreement.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

The Clerk reported that there were no new planning applications submitted. Cllr. Grant enquired what new works were being carried out at Norton Junior School. The Clerk checked the minutes to establish that it was a new Astroturf five a side football pitch.

Cllr. Wood enquired if any response had been received regarding the residential caravan sited at the bottom of Norton Common Lane. The Clerk advised that a holding response had been received and that he would pursue the matter.

Cllr. Thornton reported that the Norton Post Office would be closing in 6 to 8 weeks time and re-locating in the Schoolboy Inn.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- S.Y. Fire & Rescue – Briefings - Circulated
- DMBC – Tree Planting Campsall - Noted
- DMBC – Extended Closure of A19 Selby Road Level Crossing -Noted
- DMBC – Horse/Horsebox Activity Spittlerush Lane Norton - Noted
- DMBC – Commercial Waste Annual Duty of Care Transfer Note - Noted
- Mr Ashton – Dangerous Tree R/O High Street Campsall – Passed to DMBC Tree Officer
- Clarke Telecom – Consultation on New Radio Base Station Askern Water Tower – Noted

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

• D. Telford – Salary – December 2016	835.74
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. – December 2016	259.66
• B. Peel – Wages – December 2016	490.10
• Yorkshire Water – Direct Debit	47.02
• J. Building Services – Christmas Lights	480.00
• Konica Minolta – Photocopies	13.27
• A.G. Hancock – Memorial Bench	250.00
• GFA Premier Ltd – Annual Fire Safety Service	118.20
• GFA Premier Ltd – Annual Fire Safety Service	529.04
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	2,648.11
• Sweep Fee – Direct Debit	30.00
• DMBC – Erection of Christmas Trees	268.80
• DMBC – Litter Bins	48.20
• DMBC – Bulk Refuse Container	104.00
• Npower – Direct Debit	257.39
• Total for the month of December 2016	<u>£6,379.53</u>

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

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

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Shaw had enquired if the public footpaths to both Norton Common Road and the A19 in to Askern could be designated footpath and cycle paths in the interest of safety. The general consensus was that neither footpath was wide enough as there had to be a demarcation down the centre.

The Clerk reported that the Christmas lights were taken down today and that DMBC were to remove the trees the following day.

Cllr. Thornton reported that the ploughed up public footpath connecting Back Lane and Went Lane had still not been made good.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at **8.15pm.**

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