

NORTON PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF THE ZOOM MEETING HELD TUESDAY 12 JANUARY 2021

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
 Councillors: - G. Morgan, J. Atkins, H. White, B. McLaughlin, L. Shearman, E. Lowery, A. Pearson.

DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS
 There were no declarations.

ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. B. Wood and C. Wilson.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the Zoom meeting held Tuesday 8 December 2020 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. White, seconded by Cllr. McLaughlin and all were in agreement. The minutes to be signed by the Chairman.

ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING
 The Chairman thanked Cllr. Lowery for the removal of all the Christmas lights and arranging for the trees to be removed.
 The Chairman reported that no further response had been received from Yorkshire Water regarding the repairs to the land off Norton Common Road following its drainage repair works. Further, a DMBC lorry had got stuck on the same grassed area and churned it up even more; however, Suez had been out and agreed to make good the damage.
 Cllr. McLaughlin reported that the damaged yellow speakers in the Play Area in Campsall Country Park had now been repainted. Also there was some slight damage to some of the boarding which may be replaced by the FOCCP.
 Cllr. Shearman reported that vandals had created damage to the Park Bridge.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Issues:

Cllr. Shearman reported that there had been a number of burglaries and thefts in Campsall but the Police were not apparently following up the cases. Could we consider inviting a PCSO to a future meeting of the Parish Council to discuss the issues.

(b) Highway/Environmental Matters:

The Clerk reported that neither Ward Councillor A. White or Selby District Council had been able to assist in the question of ash removal from Gale Common and that he was awaiting a response from North Yorkshire Council.

(c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:

Cllr. McLaughlin suggested that an article be included in the next edition of the Parish Magazine thanking the current Vicar for his term in office and welcoming his replacement.

Cllr. Atkins agreed to produce an article outlining the restriction imposed on the local Walking Club as a result of the pandemic.

(d) Development Plan Priorities:Funding Play Areas:

The Chairman reported that works were now completed to the Play Area in Campsall Country Park and that he was awaiting the invoice.

Traffic Calming:

The Chairman reported that in discussions with DMBC self supporting posts had been suggested as the best option, and that solar power was better than battery operated. The site meeting suggested a couple of meetings ago still needed to be organised to identify the various locations within the parish villages.

Cllr. Shearman suggested that the signs contain cameras with vehicle registration recognition within them to assist police action.

(e) Community Building Storage Extension:

The Clerk reported that an estimate had been received from Kirsopp Builders to complete the extension, the invoice covered the building, heating, electrical works, plastering and the provision of a roller shutter door at a cost of £24,550 plus VAT. Following discussion it was agreed that the storerooms did not require heating, electricity or plastering and that the roller shutter door be obtained from the contractor responsible for the existing roller shutters. It was agreed that the Clerk renegotiate the price less the above items.

Cllr. McLaughlin proposed acceptance of the offer from Kirsopp Builders less the heating, electrical works, plastering and the roller shutter door. Cllr. Pearson seconded the proposal and all were in agreement.

(f) Garden of Rest:

The Clerk reported that he had received no response from Rose Hill Crematorium regarding the sale or lease of the Parish Council owned land at the Garden of Rest to extend the burial ground. Further contact would be made.

(g) Parish Precept 2021/22

The Clerk referred to the draft budget document circulated with the agenda and enquired if there were any questions. The Clerk also provided details of the current bank balance and advised that if the Members wished to increase the precept they would have to keep the increase below 1.95% otherwise there would have to be a costly referendum. The precept requested would be inclusive of the DMBC grant; which was reducing year on year.

Cllr. Atkins proposed that in view of the healthy bank balance the precept inclusive of DMBC grant should remain the same as last year, i.e. £56,950.

Cllr. G. Morgan seconded the proposal and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the Parish Precept inclusive of DMBC grant for 2021/22 should remain the same as last year, i.e. £56,950.

(h) Community Building Charges:

The Clerk reported that a group of youngsters from Askern Miners Welfare were using the playing field under floodlights for training; and they were not using the facilities, and a price was required.

Cllr. McLaughlin proposed £10 per session, seconded by Cllr. G. Morgan.

(i) Parish Councillor Vacancies:

The Clerk reported that there were currently 2 vacancies with the resignation of Cllrs. John Gilliver and Wendy Grant and that he was required to notify the fact to DMBC Electoral Services. The posts could be filled as Casual Vacancies until the next election scheduled for May 2021. The Parish Council could fill the vacancies to cover the period until the next election. The Clerk will now inform DMBC of the resignations and they will produce notices to be displayed around the parish.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 20/03400/FUL – Erection of two storey extension to side of detached dwelling at 17 Trafford Road Norton.
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.
- 20/03438/FUL – Conversion of loft including installation of dormer windows to front and rear and Juliette balcony to the side elevation at Cliff Hill Bungalow Cliff Hill Road Norton.
- All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.
- 20/03081/FUL – Erection of detached garage and store at Manor Farm West End Road Norton.
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- CPRE – Countryside Voice – Noted
- CPRE – Field Work – Noted
- DMBC – Notification of Parish Precept requirement for 2021/22.

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

• D. Telford – Salary – December 2020	899.95
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. – December 2020	348.00
• A. Pearson – Caretakers Wages – December 2020	276.00
• YPO – Cleaning Materials	53.93
• Business Stream – Direct Debit	20.73
• Sweep Fee – Direct Debit	30.00
• D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
• DMBC – Litter Bins	48.20
• NPower – Direct Debit	416.77
• Kirsopp Builders Ltd – Extension (Already Paid)	8,928.00
• DMBC – Bulk Container	117.00
• British Gas – Direct Debit	393.50

Total for the month of December 2020 £11,582.08

The Accounts requiring payment will be signed by the Clerk and forwarded to the Chairman for countersigning.

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. McLaughlin enquired if the vouchers had been handed over to the two girls who painted the phone box in Sutton; the Clerk agreed to contact John Gilliver.

Cllr. Pearson reported that the small entrance gate to the Community Building Playing Field had now been refitted and the fitter would forward the invoice.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

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