

NORTON PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
 Councillors: - G. Morgan, E. Lowery, B. Wood, A. Pearson, A. Drayton,
 D. Harle, P. Watson, L. Shearman, D. Rotherham.
 Also present one member of the public.

ITEM 1 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN, OTHER OFFICERS &
 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Chairman – Cllr. Wood proposed Cllr. M. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Shearman.

Vice Chairman – Cllr. Wood proposed Cllr. Atkins, seconded by Cllr. Rotherham.

Darrington Quarries Committee – Cllr. G. Morgan proposed Cllr. Harle, seconded by Cllr. Lowery.

Norton Community Hall – Cllr. Pearson proposed Cllr. M. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Watson.

Doncaster MBC Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee – Cllr. G. Morgan proposed Cllr. Rotherham, seconded by Cllr. Harle.

Shakers Committee – Cllr. G. Morgan proposed Cllr. McLaughlin, seconded by Cllr. Lowery.

Resolved: That the aforementioned Members represent the Parish Council in the capacity proposed for the ensuing year.

DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

There were no declarations.

Chairman's Annual Report

The Chairman referred to his annual report which had been circulated to Members and enquired if there were any questions.

Cllr. Harle complimented the Chairman on the quality of the report.

The annual report was accepted and it was agreed that it would be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

ITEM 2 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. McLaughlin and Atkins.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow the member of the public to speak.

The member of the public was the owner of a property which was subject to discussion on the agenda under planning matters. Copies of the plans submitted were circulated for Members consideration, and no objections were put forward.

The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.

ITEM 3 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 12 April 2022. Cllr. Drayton advised that it was Cllr. Rotherham who had raised the issue of rats not himself. With the above amendment Cllr. G. Morgan proposed the minutes to be a true record, seconded by Cllr. Drayton and all were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS ARISING

Cllr. G. Morgan reported that the Jubilee Celebrations bunting would be erected at the Community Hall the first week in June.

Cllr. Pearson requested that a litter bin was required near the new bench in the West End Road Play Area.

Cllr. Rotherham suggested that the litter bin on the Back Lane Play Area should be moved closer to the bench. Cllr. Wood also suggested that the bench at this location should be moved away from the trees as it was covered in bird droppings.

Cllr. Watson suggested that a new sign be erected on the West End Road Play Area outlining safety issues following the installation of the new equipment.

Cllr. Shearman reported that although DMBC were doing a good job cutting the grass in Campsall Country Park, they were not strimming around the various pieces of equipment and the site was looking very untidy.

Cllr. Shearman reported that free defibrillator training was to be held at Alexander House Askern during June, interested parties were required to register first before being able to attend.

Cllr. Rotherham enquired what DMBC were intending to do with the wild flower areas on Orchard Close and Drive.

The Clerk agreed to contact DMBC on the issues they were involved in.

ITEM 5 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Issues:

Cllr. Wood requested that South Yorkshire Police be contacted again regarding setting up speed cameras in the village of Norton; and suggested that the Parish Council would pay for a day's attendance. Also, could DMBC be requested to install a Zebra Crossing at the school crossing point on West End Road.

(b) Highways/Environmental Matters:

Cllr. Drayton reported that there was a loose highway sign opposite the Garden of Rest on The Avenue Campsall advising of the bend ahead.

Cllr. Rotherham reported that the hole for the Christmas tree at Campsall Corner had not been covered and was considered dangerous.

Cllr. Wood requested that DMBC be contacted again regarding the installation of an additional street light on Back Lane near to the woodland area and allotments.

Cllr. Wood also reported that the traffic humps on Back Lane required attention.

Cllr. Wood reported that one of the slats on the bench in the Schoolboy Play Park required replacing and that he thought it belonged to DMBC.

Cllr. Drayton reported that Yorkshire Ambulance was providing funding for the installation of defibrillators, and that Sutton and possibly the Wellingtonia Centre were the priority areas.

- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:
Cllr. G. Morgan reported that the deadline for articles in the next edition of the magazine was 8 July.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities:
The Chairman reported that both priorities for 2021/22, the additional play equipment at West End Road Play Area and the traffic calming measures in all three villages had now been completed, and Members need to bring forward new projects for the current year.
- (e) Audit of Accounts – Year Ending 31st March 2022:
The Clerk referred to the Receipts and Payments Account circulated at the meeting which formed the basis for the Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2022, and enquired if there were any questions. The Clerk pointed out that expenditure during the year had been extremely high as a result of the major projects; new equipment in Campsall Country Park, new equipment at West End Road Play Area and the traffic calming measures.
The Clerk advised that the Annual Return needs to be scrutinised by the Internal Auditor and signed off by the Chairman prior to submission to the External Auditor.
Cllr. G. Morgan proposed acceptance of the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31st March 2022, seconded by Cllr. Harle and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31st March 2022 be accepted.

- (f) Tree Planting Norton:
It was reported that no meeting had taken place with DMBC and that the Clerk would make further contact with DMBC Tree Officers, David Elliott and Tim Bryant.
- (g) Garden of Rest/Campsall Church:
Cllr. Lowery reported that the grass required cutting again and that a ‘no dogs allowed’ sign erected near the entrance.
Cllr. Wood suggested that some seating was required in the Garden of Rest, and the entrance required tidying up.
The Clerk reported that he was having great difficulty in contacting South Yorkshire Probation Company with regard to restarting the grass cutting service; which had been suspended as a result of Covid. Also he had been contacted by a Church Warden regarding the cutting of the grass at the Churchyard. It was agreed that in the event that the Probation Company were able to recommence grass cutting that the Parish Council would still pay for them to cut the grass in the Churchyard; however, until that happens, the Church must be responsible for its own grass cutting.
- (h) Summer Fair – Programme & Planning:
Cllr. G. Morgan reported that the event this year would be held on 10th July at the Community Building and Field on Ryecroft Road Norton; and that volunteers were still required.
Cllr. Wood reported that several groups were getting together ‘tug of war’ teams.
As a result of the expectation of a large volume of persons attending the event and the poor condition of the sewerage system, it had been suggested by the Caretaker that a sanitary bin be acquired for the ladies toilets for the event.

ITEM 6 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 22/00311/FUL – Erection of residential development of 5 houses – AMENDED PLANS at Land on the East Side of Common Lane Norton.
Observations:
The Chairman and Clerk circulated a copy of the amended plans and the general consensus was that there was very little difference in the amended plans. It was agreed that the Parish Council’s previous comments still applied and that in addition reference was made to the unmade condition of the highway with its lack of surface water drainage will add significant problems with the increase in traffic.
- 22/00852/FUL – Erection of single storey rear extension and loft conversion with associated works at Carriglea Back Lane Campsall.
Observations:
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.
- 22/00977/FUL – Conversion of garage into habitable room with wet room at Gordon Villa Suttonfield Road Sutton.
Observations:
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.

ITEM 7 - CORRESPONDENCE

- CPRE – Countryside Voices – Circulated.

ITEM 8 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	<u>£</u>
• D. Telford – Salary – April 2022	915.45
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C’s. - April 2022	370.53
• J. Coleman – Wages – April 2022	334.40
• DMBC – Emergency Tree Works	425.84
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	28.90
• Mrs L. Highton – Jubilee Wellingtonia Centre	57.32
• D. Rotherham – Grounds Maintenance	187.50
• J.S. Groundwork – Soil – West End Play Area	1,025.00
• T L Nash – Grass Cut Garden of Rest	150.00
• Sutcliffe Play Ltd. – West End Road Play Area	33,880.98
• E-on Next – Direct Debit	449.98
• British Gas – Direct Debit	226.92
• D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
• DMBC – Wet Poor – Schoolboy Play Area	144.00
• L. Shearman – Jubilee Bunting	57.12

Total for the month of April 2022 £38,303.94

Cllr. Wood proposed payment of the accounts for the month of April 2022, seconded by Cllr. Pearson and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the accounts for the month of April 2022 be approved for payment.

ITEM 9 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Further concern was raised regarding the condition of the land off Norton Common Road adjacent to the housing access. It was agreed that further contact would be made with DMBC Planning Enforcement.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

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