

**NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 2022**

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan  
 Councillors: - D. Harle, B. McLaughlin, G. Morgan, B. Wood,  
 E. Lowery, J. Atkins, A. Pearson, L. Shearman, D. Rotherham.  
 Also in attendance 2 members of the public.

**DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS**

There were no declarations.

ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs.  
 A. Drayton and P. Watson.

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

Concern was raised regarding the parking of vehicles on the highway outside the Schoolboy Inn making it difficult for drivers to see round the bend. Also the recent lack of a bus service below the Royal Hotel in Norton and the lack of a service to Pontefract and Selby. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council had raised the issue with both DMBC and ARRIVA but so far with no success.

Concern was also raised regarding the lack of a Traffic Warden at the bottom of West End Road Norton; which was a danger to pedestrian children at school times. The Chairman advised that a request had been submitted to DMBC Highways for the provision of a Zebra Crossing at this location, and the issue was still being pursued.

It was agreed that the above issues would be drawn to the attention of DMBC.

**The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.**

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meetings held Tuesday 9 August 2022 and Tuesday 13 September 2022.

Cllr. Wood proposed the minutes of the August meeting as a true record seconded by Cllr. Harle and all were in agreement.

Cllr. Wood proposed the minutes of the September meeting as a true record seconded by Cllr. McLaughlin and all were in agreement.

The Chairman signed both sets of minutes.

ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING

Concern was again raised on the lack of future bus services to both Norton and Campsall and the wider towns of Pontefract and Selby.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Issues:

The Chairman reported that the police had still not organised the traffic speed monitoring in the parish. The Clerk agreed to contact PCSO Toni Bratby to establish when action could be expected.

- (b) Highway/Environmental Matters:  
Cllr. Harle expressed concern at the lack of repeater 30mph signs between Askern and Sutton, many drivers leaving the built up area assumed that there was no speed limit until Sutton was reached.  
Cllr. Wood enquired if any response had been received from DMBC Highways regarding the speed bumps on Back Lane Norton.  
Cllr. Rotherham reported that all the highways throughout the parish required cleansing and the weed growth in the gutters removed.  
Cllr. Rotherham requested that the Clerk chase DMBC regarding the re-siting of the bench and the litter bin on the play area off Priory Road and Back Lane Norton.  
The Chairman reported that the 2 gullies at the Stubbs end of Priory Road had still not been cleared and the road still flooded following heavy rain.
- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:  
Cllr. G. Morgan advised Members that the deadline for articles for the next edition of the magazine was 4 November 2022.  
Cllr. Lowery reported that he had composed another quiz for the magazine. Cllr. Lowery also enquired if he had permission to order the usual 3 Christmas Trees, this year they would cost £250 each. All were in agreement.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities:  
Cllr. Wood reported that the Ward Councillors had made grant contributions to Askern Town Council and suggested that they should be asked to contribute towards the Community Building repairs. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Ward Councillors, Beech, Noon and White requesting a contribution towards the Community Building repairs.
- (e) Garden of Rest:  
Cllr. Lowery reported that the Community Services Team had visited the Garden of Rest and carried out some much needed work; however, in doing so they had caused serious damage to some of the newly planted trees. It was agreed that the Community Services team be contacted and requested to contact either the Clerk or Cllr. Lowery to advise when they next intended to attend.  
Cllr. Lowery reported that Neil Nash had offered to cut the grass in the Garden of Rest for £200 per year. Cllr. Lowery proposed acceptance of the offer, seconded by Cllr. Rotherham and all were in agreement.  
Cllr. McLaughlin suggested that the planting of fruit trees in the Garden of Rest for people to help themselves should be considered.
- (f) Community Building Maintenance Programme:  
The Clerk circulated a quotation received for the repairs to the Community Building which totalled £10,000. It was agreed that in view of the extensive works required that the Parish Council should seek 3 quotations before a decision was made.

- (g) Tree Planting Areas Norton:  
It was agreed that a grant be applied for the planting of the 10 trees in the grass verges of High Street Norton. The grant application to be made to DMBC Environmental Pride Team.
- (h) Defibrillators:  
Cllr. Shearman reported that the defibrillator meetings had been organised and would take place on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings.
- (i) Public Space Protection (Dog Fouling & Control) Consultation:  
The Clerk referred to the consultation document from DMBC which had been circulated to Members, and enquired if there were any suggestions. Cllr. Pearson suggested that all playing areas should have better signage advising that poo bags must be carried, and that signs should be painted on public footpaths, and that free bags should be considered. Cllr. Wood requested that DMBC should be chased regarding the erection of signs on the grassed areas of Orchard Close and Orchard Drive.
- (j) Future GALA Events – Sub-Committee Meeting:  
Cllr. McLaughlin reported that the Sub-Committee had met on 29 September and organised the next GALA to be held 9 July 2023, again on the Community Building Field Ryecroft Road. A number of companies had already been contacted and the response so far was very good.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 22/02082/FUL – Erection of single storey rear extension and loft conversion with associated works (being resubmission of 22/00852/FUL granted 14/06/2022) at Carriglea Back Lane Campsall.  
Observations:  
Previous comments still apply.
- 22/02090/FUL – Erection of single storey front and rear extension at 29 Barnsdale View Norton.  
Observations:  
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.
- 22/00006/REM – Details of Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for erection of 1 dwelling (being matters reserved in outline application 18/02033/OUT, granted under appeal reference 20/00003/REF on 08/07/2020) at Chateau Renee Sutton Road Campsall.  
Observations:  
It would appear that there are no significant changes to the plans other than the building has been twisted slightly on the site. The Parish Council still objects to the application on the grounds submitted by letter 09/02/2022.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE  
There was no new correspondence.

ITEM 7 -	<u>ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u>	<u>£</u>
•	D. Telford – Salary – September 2022	961.38
•	Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. – September 2022	388.36
•	J. Coleman – Caretakers Wages – September 2022	325.60
•	D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
•	British Gas – Direct Debit	148.10
•	Business Stream – Direct Debit	49.06
•	The Royal British Legion – 3 Village Wreaths	75.00
•	Konica Minolta – Photocopies	5.18
•	HSL Compliance – Boiler Service & Shower Cleanse	542.46
•	DMBC – Litter Bins	48.20
•	DMBC – Bulk Bin Emptying	120.50
	Total for the month of September 2022	<u>£2,713.84</u>

Cllr. Lowery proposed payment of the accounts for the month of September 2022, seconded by Cllr. Harle and all were in agreement.

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

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS  
Cllr. Lowery reported that the Christmas Lights to Campsall Village Hall required replacing.  
Cllr. Pearson reported that the 2 tenants occupying plot 1 at the Spittlerush Lane Back Lane Allotments were not cultivating their plots and should be given a final warning.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

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