

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2022

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
 Councillors: - G. Morgan, B. McLaughlin, D. Harle, A. Pearson, E. Lowery,
 J. Atkins, D. Rotherham, L. Shearman.
 Also in attendance 2 members 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. P. Watson and A. Drayton.

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

Mr. Sayles discussed his recent inspection of the Community Building roof where he had only found 1 loose ridge tile, the under felt and timbers were sound and the only other work required in his opinion was the painting of the exterior timber work.

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council had to consider three estimates before a decision could be made as to which estimate would be accepted.

The Chairman thanked Mr Sayles for his comments and reinstated Standing Orders.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 8 November 2022.
 Cllr. Lowery reported that Item 4 (f) was inaccurate, as it had been decided that in future no payment would be made for quotations for work to be carried out for the Parish Council. With this amendment, Cllr. Lowery proposed the minutes to be a true record, seconded by Cllr. Rotherham, and all were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.

ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING

Cllr. Lowery suggested that all contractors requested to carryout gas works to the Community Building were asked to provide copies of their Gas Safe Registration Documents for commercial work.

Cllr. Harle reported that he had checked the road between Askern and Sutton and agreed that the 30mph signs were in order; however, he did suggest that additional 30mph signs should be installed on the lamp posts along the route.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Matters:

Cllr. Shearman reported on the recent Police meeting held at Alexander House Askern where a number of complaints had been made regarding the lack of police attendance following burglaries and stolen vehicles.

It was also reported that the Police Headquarters for the Norton Ward would be moved back from Thorne to Red House in the New Year.

- (b) Highway/Environmental Matters:
 Cllrs. Shearman and Lowery reported that the moss had not been removed from the footpaths of No Road and outside the Church in Campsall. The Chairman reported that at long last DMBC had started works on tidying up the area of land off Norton Common Road/Hawthorne Avenue and Quarry Road supervised by John Davies.
 Cllr. Shearman reported that the proposed closure of Moss Road Askern in December had been put back to January following complaints from businesses. Cllr. McLaughlin reported that DMBC had that morning removed the historic mounting stone from Campsall Corner and it needed to be replaced, and that she had been in contact with Ward Councillor Austen White.
- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:
 The Chairman reported that all the magazines had been delivered and thanked Members for their assistance in delivery.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities 2022/2023:
 The Clerk reported that he had not received any updates from David Elliott regarding the tree planting or from DMBC Environmental Pride regarding the grant application. Both parties would be chased.
- (e) Garden of Rest:
 Cllr. Rotherham reported that he had carried out the winter planting in the Garden of Rest and that he was looking to plant some Robinia.
 Cllr. Lowery reported that Mr. Nash was keeping the Garden of Rest very tidy.
- (f) Community Building Maintenance Programme:
 The Clerk reported that 3 companies had shown an interest in carrying out the works to the Community Building, two by letter and one by telephone. It was agreed that the telephone quotation would need to be in writing and that a decision would be made at the next meeting.
- (g) Pest Control Contract Renewal:
 The Clerk reported that he had been informed by DMBC that the pest control contract for Moles on the playing fields was due to expire 31 December 2022 and that the annual renewal cost would be £485.10.
 Cllr. G. Morgan proposed renewal of the contract, seconded by Cllr. McLaughlin and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the DMBC annual pest control contract for Moles be renewed.

- (h) Defibrillators:
 Cllr. Harle reported that there was still concern that there was no defibrillator in Sutton and suggested that an advert be placed in the phone box seeking financial support.
- (i) Leisure Centre Works Schedule and Visit:
 The Clerk and Cllrs. Lowery and Pearson reported on the recent visit to the Leisure Centre. Works are progressing well and it is likely that the centre will be open again in February. Cllr. Pearson enquired if a defibrillator was there.

(j) Christmas Lights:

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Lowery had been contacted by the owner of the premises in Sutton where the Christmas Lights received their power from, informing him that he had not been paid for the power for a number of years. The clerk confirmed that no payment had been made since February 2015, when a payment of £40 had been paid.

Following much discussion and several proposals a payment of £100 proposed by Cllr. McLaughlin, seconded by Cllr. Harle was approved.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 22/02401/FUL – Demolition of existing garage and erection of single storey side extension to 14 Fir Tree Drive Norton.
Observations:
All new materials to match existing in keeping with the Village Design Statement.
- 22/00032/REF – Erection of detached chalet bungalow and garage at West Lodge Sutton Road Campsall – Appeal against refusal.
Observations:
All previous comments still apply.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- CPRE – Countryside Voices – Circulated
- DMBC – Pest Control Contract for Moles – Renewal Agreed.

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	<u>£</u>
• D. Telford – Salary – Nov. 2022 plus pay award April 22	1,331.45
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. – November 2022	561.59
• J. Coleman – Caretakers Wages – November 2022	369.60
• British Gas – Direct Debit	174.01
• D. Telford – Advance Payment to Lockinvar (Water Pump)	362.40
• Norton Community Hall – Donation	3,000.00
• E-on Next – Electricity Supply	174.37
• Design dpi – Domain Renewal & Annual Hosting	273.97
• E. Lowery – Christmas Lights	91.71
• Ratcliff & Roper (Printers) Ltd – Magazine Printing	605.00
• Highfield Trees Ltd – Christmas Trees	400.00
• Highfield Trees Ltd – Christmas Trees	350.00
• AJH Pump Supply & Repairs Ltd – Com. Bdg. Heat Pump	216.00
• D. Rotherham – Plants Garden of Rest	78.98
• Campsall Village Hall Committee – Defibrillator Pads	61.14

Total for the month of November 2022 £8,050.22

Cllr. G. Morgan proposed payment of the accounts for the month of November 2022, seconded by Cllr. Lowery and all were in agreement.

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

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Atkins reported that the Wellingtonia Ladies were seeking to open the Wellingtonia Centre as a 'Warm Home' for local residents; however, DMBC had refused permission.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

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