

NORTON PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD TUESDAY 9 MAY 2023

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
 Councillors: - L. Shearman, V. Greaves, G. Morgan, B. McLaughlin,
 A. Drayton, P. Watson and E, Lowery.
 Also in attendance one member of the public.

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

The member of the public enquired if there had been any response from DMBC regarding the issues raised at the last meeting concerning Back Lane Campsall.

The Chairman referred to an email response received from Dave Snell who was present at the meeting; which confirmed that Back Lane was a public highway; however, not the responsibility of DMBC for maintenance. There was no clarity as to the ownership of the highway even though street lighting and some repair works had been carried out by DMBC. It was agreed that further information would be sought from Dave Snell and that some drainage works could be considered by the Parish Council. Regarding the parking of vehicles on Back Lane, DMBC had no enforcement powers to restrict parking; however, residents could erect their own signs asking parkers to consider their accesses.

The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.

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

Chairman – Following considerable discussion Cllr. Morgan agreed to cover the post for 2 months until a replacement could be established.

Cllr. A. Drayton proposed Cllr. M. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. L. Shearman.

Vice-Chairman – Cllr. G. Morgan proposed Cllr. J. Atkins, seconded by Cllr. L. Shearman.

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

Norton Community Hall – Cllr. A. Drayton proposed Cllr. M. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. B. McLaughlin.

P.C.J.C.C. – Cllr. B. McLaughlin proposed Cllr. D. Harle, seconded by Cllr. P. Watson.

Shakers Committee – Cllr. G. Morgan proposed Cllr. B. McLaughlin, seconded by Cllr. A. Drayton.

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

Chairman's Annual Report.

The Chairman referred to his annual report which had been circulated to Members and highlighted several sections and enquired if any Members had any enquiries. Members showed their appreciation and it was agreed that a copy would be attached to the minutes.

- ITEM 2 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. A. Pearson, D. Harle, D. Rotherham and J. Atkins.
- ITEM 3 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 11 April 2023 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. Lowery, seconded by Cllr. McLaughlin and all were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.
- ITEM 4 - MATTERS ARISING
 Concern was raised that still no action had been taken to tidy the former Campsall WMC, and it was agreed that John Davies be contacted again for an update.
 An update was also requested from PCSO Toni Bratby regarding the speed monitoring carried out in the village.
- ITEM 5 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
- (a) Police Issues:
 The Chairman reported that the police were carrying out sting operations in various wards to crackdown on illegal quad bikes and motorcycles, and agreed to pursue the issue for the parish.
 Cllr. McLaughlin reported that the police require all sightings/hearings to be reported as they prefer to monitor areas of concern.
 A Member reported that a quad bike travelled though Campsall Old Village most mornings at approximately 3.45am. It was agreed that the Clerk would pass the information on to PCSO Toni Bratby.
- (b) Highway Matters/Environmental Matters:
 Cllr. Lowery reported that the public footpaths from the Church entrance to The Old Bells were slippery and dangerous and required urgent cleansing. Also the footpath from the Church to Campsall Hall Road required cleansing. The highway from the junction of Ryecroft Road and The Avenue to the junction of Shakespeare Avenue also required attention.
- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:
 Cllr. G. Morgan reported that articles for the next edition of the Parish Magazine were required prior to 10 July 2023.
 It was agreed that the number of copies of the magazine would remain at 2000.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities 2023/24:
 The Chairman requested Members to consider topics for the current year with a view to discussing them at the next meeting.
- (e) Audit of Accounts – Year Ending 31 March 2023:
 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 2023, and enquired if there were any questions. Cllr. McLaughlin enquired if the amount of £525 for the Gala was correct; the Clerk checked the accounts book and found an additional £30 donated by Mr Softee.
 The Clerk advised that the Annual Return needs to be scrutinised by the Internal Auditor, Gillian Wagstaff, and signed off by the Chairman prior to submission to the External Auditor.

Audit of Accounts – Year Ending 31 March 2023 – (Cont'd):

Cllr. McLaughlin proposed acceptance of the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31 March 2023, seconded by Cllr. G. Morgan and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31 March 2023 be accepted.

(f) Defibrillators:

Cllr. G. Morgan reported that the defibrillator at Norton Community Hall required a new battery.

(g) Garden of Rest:

Cllr. Lowery reported that the site was being well maintained by Mr. Nash.

(h) Summer Fair – Programme and Planning:

Cllr. McLaughlin circulated a programme of events and activities for the coming Gala to be held at the Community Building and Field Ryecroft Road on Sunday 9 July 2023. Currently everything was going to plan; however, further volunteers were required for the Saturday and Sunday, additional tombola prizes, signs and a site plan would help.

ITEM 6 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 23/00004/REF – Erection of detached chalet bungalow and garage. (Being resubmission of 22/00102/FUL refused 07.03.2022) at West Lodge Sutton Road Campsall – **Appeal Against Refusal.**

Observations:

The appeal against refusal was to the Planning Inspectorate; and it was agreed that the Parish Council's previous objection to DMBC be passed on to the Planning Inspectorate.

- 23/00486/FUL – Erection of part single, part two-storey building to accommodate kennels, restaurant/bar, race control and associated facilities at Askern Greyhound Stadium Selby Road Askern.

Observations:

The Parish Council had no objections to this proposal.

ITEM 7 - CORRESPONDENCE

There was no new correspondence.

ITEM 8 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

• D. Telford – Salary – April 2023	1,013.38
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's. - April 2023	415.78
• J. Coleman – Wages – April 2023	369.60
• DMBC – Bulk Container	132.50
• DMBC – Annual Rent	5.00
• D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
• DMBC – Grounds Maintenance	1,311.32
• British Gas – Direct Debit	203.10
• D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
• Elco Heating Solutions Ltd – Boiler Service	438.00

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (Cont'd)

• E-on Next – Direct Debit 172.76

Total for the month of April 2023 £4,161.44

Cllr. G. Morgan proposed payment of the accounts for the month of April 2023, seconded by Cllr. Greaves and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the accounts for the month of April 2023 be approved for payment.

ITEM 9 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. McLaughlin reported that ‘Right up our Street’ would be carrying out a performance on 19 August 2023 in Campsall Country Park.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

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