

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 13 JUNE 2023

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

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

The members of the community were concerned about the current lack of a bus service to Pontefract and Selby and that the proposed ‘door to door’ service would not provide this service. They also proposed that the Parish Council precept should be increased to cover the provision of a bus service. It was also suggested that the current Campsmount Academy bus service could be used during the day when not being used by the Academy.

Cllr. Lowery reported that he had recently had a meeting with the ARRIVA management who were looking to reschedule routes; however, they were committed to Doncaster and would not include Pontefract and Selby. Also ARRIVA had set up a new office in Doncaster.

The Chairman thanked the members of the public for their comments and reinstated Standing Orders.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting held Tuesday 9 May 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 3 - MATTERS ARISING

Cllr. Shearman reported that the building and grounds of the former Campsall WMC were a disgrace and that following the service of a notice on the owners nothing had been done. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact John Davies Environmental Services to establish what progress if any was being made.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Matters:

It was reported that there had been a number of garage break-ins in Campsall Old Village.

Also police monitoring had been seen in the parish and it was requested that the monitoring details be sought.

- (b) Highway/Environmental Matters:
 Cllr. Lowery reported that the street and footpath from the Church to the Olde Bells had still not been swept despite assurances from David Snell following the attendance at the Parish Council meeting.
 Cllr. Rotherham expressed his concern regarding the lack of street sweeping and gully emptying in the parish and requested that DMBC provide a schedule of street sweeping and gully emptying for the whole of Doncaster.
 Cllr. Lowery reported that the traffic parking problems at the Post Office High Street Campsall were getting worse and could possibly cause accidents.
 Cllr. Rotherham reported the following issues:
- The public footpath from West End Road through to Back Lane was in a dreadful condition.
 - Complaints were still being received from residents regarding the condition of the former Wardle's shop.
 - The dog fouling notices erected on the playing field off Priory Road and Back Lane Norton had been taken down and needed replacing with some more permanent signs.
 - Residents were complaining that the parking on the highway outside the Schoolboy Inn was becoming dangerous.
 - On a lighter note, Markham Grange had donated £60 worth of plants for the village planters.
- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:
 Cllr. G. Morgan reminded Members that the deadline for the next edition of the Parish Magazine was 10 July.
 Cllr. Atkins agreed to provide an article for the magazine from the Walking Club.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities 2023/24:
 See item 4 (j).
- (e) Garden of Rest:
 Cllr. Lowery reported that the grounds were being kept well.
- (f) Defibrillators:
 Cllr. Harle reported that the Anne Arms were still very supportive and that he would be placing an article in the Parish Magazine that he would be delivering in Sutton thanking residents for their kind contributions.
- (g) Campsall Church – Request for Donation to Replace Bell Ropes:
 Cllr. Lowery informed Members that the existing bell ropes were in very poor condition and required replacing. It was suggested that the local diocese be requested to pay for the replacement. Cllr. Harle proposed that a stall be offered to the bell ringers at the forthcoming Gala, but that no donation should be made. Cllr. Atkins seconded the proposal and the majority were in agreement.
- (h) Community Buses:
 Discussed under the suspension of Standing Orders.

- (i) Summer Fair – Programme & Planning:
Cllr. McLaughlin reported that the site plan has now been produced, the car parking arrangements agreed with Campsmount Academy, all the necessary signage has been organised by Cllr. Watson and the marquee provided by Campsall 4A Trust.
- (j) Memorial Bench and Play Equipment for the Schoolboy Play Area:
The Chairman reported that he had been in contact with Sutcliffe Play regarding the possible purchase of the piece of swing equipment Brian Wood had requested for the play area; however, the price was in excess of £9,300, and further enquiries would have to be made.
The Clerk reported that he had had two benches suggested, one a wooden King Charles 111; which would take a lot of maintenance and one recyclable, which was half the price and would be easy to maintain. It was agreed that the recyclable bench be purchased.
- (k) Yorkshire Air Ambulance – Grant Request:
The Clerk advised that he had been contacted by the Yorkshire Air Ambulance who were seeking funding to help with their volunteer work. Cllr. G. Morgan proposed a grant of £250 be made to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance, seconded by Cllr. Atkins and all were in agreement.
- Resolved:** That a grant of £250 be made to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 23/00935/TCON – Conservation area notification to fell and remove 25 trees – mixed hedgerow species Beech, Hawthorn, Maple, all within marked area of plan (red outlined), within grass verge south of tarmac footpath through woodland copse linking Campsall Hall Road and Campsall Park Road. Replacement planting of 25 (minimum) replacement trees will be planted in Campsall Country Park and possibly some in surrounding open space areas where service plans and feasibility allows. The trees are within the Campsall Conservation Area. At Amenity Grass Area Campsall Park Road Campsall.
Observations:
The Parish Council supports the proposal.
- 23/00966/OUT – Outline application for the erection of 2 dwellings and associated off street parking (all matters reserved) at Land East of 9 Norton Common Road Norton.
Observations:
The Parish Council unanimously objected to the application on the following grounds:
 - The land in question is subject to an injunction imposed several years ago restricting the development of any land to the east of the railway line.
 - The site plan shows the proposed development will transgress slightly on to land owned by both the Parish Council and the City of Doncaster Council.

PLANNING MATTERS (Cont'd)

- 23/00322/FUL – Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning application 18/02264/FUL granted 12/06/2019 (also amended by 20/01215/FUL, granted on 12/06/2019) ‘Erection of dwelling and detached garage with living accommodation in the roof space, following demolition of existing barn plus part alterations/part replacement of boundary walls’ (Replace eaves course with red clay pantile) at Old Hall Farm Suttonfield Road Sutton.
Observations:
No objections.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- Wakefield Council – Wakefield District Local Plan 2036 - Noted
- Diane Lewis – Trees Allotments Spittlerush Lane Norton – Complaint regarding overgrowing trees on allotment site – Agreed that the appropriate action would be taken.
- Wakefield Council – Wakefield District Local Plan 2036 – Rejected Site LP1527 – Land East of Womersley Road Knottingley - Noted

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

• D. Telford – Salary – May 2023	967.45
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C’s. – May 2023	396.57
• J. Coleman – Caretakers Wages – May 2023	369.60
• D. Telford – Petty Cash	50.00
• Konica Minolta Business Solutions (UK) Ltd – Photocopies	5.57
• G. Wagstaff – Annual Internal Audit 2022/23	200.00
• Raw Speed Limited – Gala	195.00

Total for the month of May 2023 £2,184.19

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

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

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk advised that he was currently applying for a grant from CDC for the summer activities organised by Bradley Johnston; however, the grant may not cover the whole session. Cllr. Atkins proposed that the summer activities go ahead as usual, seconded by Cllr. G. Morgan and all were in agreement.

The Clerk reported that he had been contacted by Jill Shaw who had reported damage to the hot cupboard in the Village Hall, owned by Campsall 4A Trust. Cllr. Shearman agreed to take up the issue with Jill Shaw.

Cllr. Rotherham announced that he had enjoyed 18 months as a Member of the Parish Council, but with other family commitments, he sadly had to tender his resignation.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

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