

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2024**

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
Councillors: - G. Morgan, A. Drayton, B. McLaughlin, V. Greaves, D. Harle,
P. Watson, L. Shearman, J. Atkins.
Also in attendance 1 member of the public.

DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

There were no declarations.

- ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. E. Lowery.
- ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 12 December 2023 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. Harle, seconded by Cllr. Atkins and all were in agreement. The Chairman signed the minutes.
- ITEM 3 - MATTERS ARISING
Cllr. Atkins reported that Mr Crosby had still not received a visit from the Planning Officer to advise on the process for constructing a store for his mobility scooter.
The Clerk reported that he had contacted CoDC regarding the replacement of the seating to the boundary wall on Campsall Corner.
- ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
- (a) Police Issues:
It was reported that quad bikes without lights towing trailers had been witnessed travelling along High Street Campsall at 4.15am and that the police were on scene at the time.
- (b) Highway/Environmental Matters:
The Chairman reported that he had received a poor response from CoDC Highways regarding the poor condition of Greengate Lane and White Ley Road; however he would pursue the matter.
Cllr. Drayton reported that the Christmas tree lights and the trees required taking down and the trees collected by the supplier.
- (c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:
Cllr. G. Morgan reminded Members that articles for the next edition of the Magazine were due by 23 February 2024.
- (d) Development Plan Priorities 2024/25:
The Chairman outlined the priorities for the forthcoming year and asked Members to add any other ideas:
- Electric speed signs for the entrance to Sutton. Cllr. Harle suggested that 2 signs should be considered, one on the entrance to the village from Owston Corner and one between Askern and Sutton.
 - Volunteers were required to maintain the village planters.

Development Plan Priorities 2024/25 (Cont'd):

- Additional play equipment for the Schoolboy Play Area and the consideration of some play equipment on the Parish Council land off Norton Common Road following consultation with residents.
- Annual GALA funding.
- Litter Picking Groups. Cllr. Greaves reported that she had made contact with a number of volunteers. The Clerk agreed to contact CoDC with a view to obtaining litter picking equipment and possibly high viz safety jackets.

(e) Garden of Rest:

There were no new reports.

(f) Defibrillators:

Cllr. Harle reported that he had fitted the defibrillator acquired for the Anne Arms Sutton, with help of his builder friend, between Christmas and the New Year. It was agreed that a photograph of the defibrillator would be provided for the Parish Magazine.

(g) Community Buses:

The Chairman reported that he was still awaiting notification of the date of the next meeting with the South Yorkshire Mayor.

(h) Campsall Country Park:

There were no new reports.

(i) Replacement of Parish Council Clerk & RFO:

The Clerk reported that to date there had been 9 expressions of interest and so far 3 applications had been submitted. The closing date was 31st January and the interviews were scheduled for 22nd February.

(j) Authorised Signatories for Parish Council Accounts:

The Clerk reported that he had visited the Co-operative Bank to discuss the best way forward to add Cllrs. Drayton and Harle to the bank mandate. The advice given by the bank was that in view of the imminent retirement of the present Clerk it would be better to wait until the new Clerk was appointed then the process would only have to be carried out once.

(k) Volunteers – Village Planters:

Following the resignation of Dave Rotherham the Parish Council owned planters in the parish require attention. Cllr. Harle agreed to maintain the 2 planters in Sutton and Cllr. Shearman agreed to maintain the 1 near the Village Hall in Campsall. That leaves the 1 on Chuchfield Road Campsall still requiring attention.

(l) Parish Councillor Vacancy:

The Clerk advised that the resignation of Tony Pearson required notification to the Legal and Democratic Services of the CoDC in order that the casual vacancy could be advertised.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 23/02538/FUL – Erection of single dwelling and garage on Land to the South East of 9 Norton Common Road Norton.
Observations:
Concern was raised that the proposed application incorporated a sizable piece of land currently owned by the Parish Council having previously acquired it through possessory title. There is also a planning injunction against the development of any land to the South East of the railway track. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the Planning Officer dealing with the application requesting a site meeting with Members of the Parish Council to discuss the way forward.
- 22/01297/FUL – Appeal Reference 22/00004/REF – Erection of detached chalet bungalow and garage (Being resubmission of 22/00102/FUL refused 07.03.2022) at West Lodge Sutton Road Campsall.
Decision – Appeal Dismissed.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- CoDC – Annual Pest Control Contract – Moles
The Chairman and Clerk are required to sign two copies of the contract and return 1 copy to CoDC.

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	<u>£</u>
• D. Telford – Salary – December 2023	1,019.45
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's – December 2023	431.64
• J. Coleman – Caretakers Wages – December 2023	422.40
• CoDC – Pest Control Contract – Moles	533.60
• British Gas – Direct Debit	211.83
• Business Stream – Water Services	34.36
• Sweep Fee – Direct Debit	30.17
• CoDC – Bulk Bin Collection	189.50

Total for the month of December 2023 2,872.95

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

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

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman reported that he had been contacted by the Chairman of Smeaton Parish Council regarding the possibility of a public footpath being built connecting the villages of Smeaton and Norton.

Cllr. McLaughlin enquired about the ownership of the storage container previously used by Campsall 4A Trust and the Running Club. The Clerk agreed to check his records.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

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

