

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 12 MARCH 2024**

Present: Chairman – Councillor M. Morgan
Councillors: - G. Morgan, B. McLaughlin, D. Harle, P. Watson, J. Atkins,
A. Drayton, L. Shearman.
Also in attendance the new Parish Clerk Alison McCardle who will take over
the post 1 April 2024.

DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

Cllr. Harle declared that he was a personal friend of the applicant for one of
the planning applications and would not participate in the discussion.

ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. V. Greaves.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES of the previous meeting held Tuesday 13 February 2024 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 requested that a meeting be arranged to discuss the future of the
Norton & Campsall Charities. The Clerk agreed to set up a meeting at which
the future of the charity could be discussed.

ITEM 4 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Police Matters:

Cllr. Drayton circulated a letter from the Police Community Partnership
seeking information from residents.

(b) Highway/Environmental Matters:

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Greaves had informed him that there was a litter
pick arranged for Saturday 23 March as part of the Great British Spring Clean.
Cllr. Shearman reported that the recent litter pick on Bone Lane Campsall had
resulted in 26 bags of litter being collected.

Cllr. Shearman reported that there were overgrowing trees at the side of the
junction off the A1 to Campsall, and they were considered dangerous.

Concern was raised regarding the number of dog walkers in Campsall Country
Park, often with 6 or 8 dogs most of them off leads.
CoDC staff had been carryout works in the park using a heavy tractor, which
had caused serious damage to the grassed area.

Cllr. McLaughlin reported that the Friends of Campsall Country Park group
had folded and that the groups insurance should be cancelled. The Clerk
agreed to inform the insurance company.

(c) Parish Council Website/Magazine:

The Chairman reported that the latest edition of the Parish Magazine was
currently being delivered, and thanked the Members for their support.

- (d) Development Plan Priorities – 2024/25:
In view of the current problems and the folding of the Friends of Campsall Country Park it was considered appropriate that the Parish Council took over the role.
The Chairman reported that he had had a meeting with Andy ***** to discuss the possible siting of additional flashing road signs in the village of Sutton. Cllr. Harle agreed to photograph the location he thought most appropriate.
- (e) Garden of Rest:
It was reported that the resident of one of the properties on Wordsworth Avenue had removed the Parish Council owned metal fencing at the bottom of his garden and replaced it with a wooden fence. Also in carrying out the work he had accessed the site with a mechanical vehicle, via the Garden of Rest, causing damage to the grassed areas. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the resident requesting that the metal fencing be returned in line with the existing fencing, and that if he wished to reconstruct his wooden fence he would have to place on his own land inside the metal fencing. It was further agreed that a sign be attached to the existing fencing advising that it belonged to the Parish Council.
Following the resignation of Eric Lowery it is important that another Parish Councillor takes over the maintenance role.
- (f) Community Buses:
Still awaiting the meeting with the South Yorkshire Mayor; however, it would appear that there are likely to be some improvements to the existing programmes in early April.
- (g) Replacement of Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer:
The Chairman introduced Alison McCardle who had recently been appointed to the role of Clerk to the Parish Council taking over the role from the 1st April 2024.
Alison advised that she would be creating a new email address and that Members could be contacted by Whatsapp in the future. Also all financial services would be dealt with on line, and that a meeting would be arranged with the Co-operative Bank to sort out new authorised signatures, herself and Councillors Harle and Drayton.
- (h) Volunteers – Village Planters:
It was reported that 2 of the stone planters had been damaged and required repair works. Cllr. Harle offered to repair the one in Sutton and Cllr. Watson offered to repair the one in Campsall.
- (i) Parish Councillor Vacancies:
The Chairman reported that there were currently 3 Parish Councillor Vacancies and that an article had been placed in the current edition of the Parish Magazine seeking new Members.

ITEM 5 - PLANNING MATTERS

- 24/00128/COU – Without planning permission the change of use of the public house into short term holiday accommodation Old Belles Inn High Street Campsall.
Observations:
No Objections.
- 24/00269/TPO – Pruning of over hanging branches. The sycamore tree is located on the other side of back garden and the branches over hang the garden by 3-4 metres at 26 Loxley Mount Campsall.
Observations:
The Parish Council are happy to leave the decision in the capable hands of the Tree Preservation Officer.
- 24/00264/FUL – Erection of detached dwelling with attached garage (being resubmission of planning application 21/00733/FUL granted on 07.07.2021) at Schoolboy Farm High Street Norton.
Observations:
Comments made on the previous application 21/00733/FUL remain the same.
- 24/00302/FUL – Installation of roof lights in connection with formation of rooms in roof space at 9 Campsall Park Road Campsall.
Observations:
No objections.

ITEM 6 - CORRESPONDENCE

- CoDC – Non-Domestic Rates Bill 2024/25 – The Clerk advised that the rates bill for the Community Building remained the same at £0.00.

ITEM 7 - ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	<u>£</u>
• D. Telford – Salary – February 2024	1,019.45
• Inland Revenue – Tax & N.I.C's – February 2024	477.24
• J. Coleman – Caretakers Wages – February 2024	604.80
• British Gas – Direct Debit	297.18
• Norton Community Hall – Room Hire	35.00
• J. Coleman – Cleaning Materials	14.47
• T. Barker – Drain Clearance Showers	80.00
• P.W.L.B. – Loan Repayment – Direct Debit	1,017.96
• J. Coleman – Ladies Bins	8.00
• Bayliss Printing Company Ltd – Magazine Printing	600.00
• D. Carr – Community Building Electrics	175.00
Total for the month of February 2024	<u>4,329.10</u>

Cllr. Harle proposed payment of the accounts for the month of February 2024, seconded by Cllr. Drayton and all were in agreement.

Resolved: That the accounts for the month of February 2024 be approved for payment.

ITEM 8 - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Atkins reported that the Wellingtonia Ladies were collecting for a defibrillator.

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

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