

**MINUTES OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2020 - held at 7.00pm**

This meeting was held virtually by Zoom, due to Coronavirus restrictions.

Councillors Border, Nurse, Simpson, Edwards, Harper, Cox, Merrey, Kilham

Also in attendance - Clerk Rachel Curtis, Bor. Cllr Elizabeth Nocklods

1. Apologies

Councillors Crome and Marshall-Grint - holiday. Acceptance of these apologies were unanimously agreed.

Declarations of Interest - None

2. Minutes of last meeting - It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 3rd September 2020 be accepted.

3. Matters Arising

- The untidy state of the property at 5 Ling Common Road has been reported to the Community Safety and Neighbourhood Nuisance Team at the Borough Council to investigate.
- Rangers will side out 60m of the pavement on the corner of Ling Common road opposite York House to get rid of weeds and growth.
- Councillors agreed that the work done to the driveway at property Pinfold, The Green is a re-instatement of the existing drive and not encroaching on The Green further than the original footprint.

4. Law and Order

- Nothing to report

5. Open Forum

Cllr Nockolds reported that the Lynn Museum is due to open shortly by appointment only at first. Tickets are selling well at the new Corn Exchange cinema. Track and Trace seems to be working well in the local area.

6. Correspondence

Resident

12/09/2020 – Grass Cutting

Informing the Clerk of the activity on the Woottons Community Facebook page with regard to poor grass cutting service.

It was agreed that the Clerk will work with Cllr Border to confirm a definitive map of the grass cutting areas of which the PC is responsible and those that are cut by NCC and the BC.

Resident

21/09/2020 – Speeding

Concerned about the level of speeding vehicles in the village.

The PC noted that traffic calming measures could be installed along Priory Lane, however this would cost around £10,000. Parish Partnership funding could be applied for and if the PC took on this project funding could not be obtained for the bus shelter. Discuss further after

the consultation has taken place for the bus shelter.

Bor. Cllr Moriarty

23/09/2020 – BC Sifting Panel

Email sent as below -

Just as follow up ref the Sifting Panel and The views of Parish Councils.

On the plus side I can report that I have either attended or read the minutes of the most recent Sifting Panel meetings and, true to Cllr Blunt's word, when a Parish Council's views are at variance with those of the Officer and backed up valid planning reasons, the decision has been made to send the applications to the full Planning Committee.

On a more small minded note, and therefore entirely predictable, the Cabinet yesterday voted to recommend a change in the constitution which would have the effect of removing me from chairing the Corporate Performance Panel. They will dress it up differently, but they and I know that will be the consequence. It was at this Panel that I managed to push the issue above. I will let you draw your own conclusions.

Kind regards

Jim Moriarty

Massingham with Castle Acre

Noted by Councillors, no response required.

Resident

19/09/2020 – Movement of a streetlight

The resident of a property in Tyndale had requested permission to move a streetlight outside his driveway 4 years ago. The PC granted permission at the time and this correspondence was to confirm the PC's decision had not changed.

The PC agreed that permission still stands, funding and running the project will be the responsibility of the resident.

Anonymous

Complaint about a bulky wooden structure put up by a resident of The Green which overhangs their boundary fence onto the Green and is clearly visible from the highway.

Cllr Nockolds to ask advice of the Borough Council Planning Department.

7. Finance

BALANCE b/fwd £72,633.38

Less -- Chq No

002002	Came and Company Insurance	1,708.28
002003	Westcotec – Sept	250.48
002004	Total Gas and Power - Aug 20	785.10
002005	CGM – August	266.69
002006	SWPC – WP Recharge	267.88

002007	Jet Reach Bins	40.00
002008	Veolia - August	74.38
002009	R Curtis – Salary	590.20
002010	R Curtis – Expenses	38.65
002011	North Wootton Village Hall	17.96

£4,039.62

Income

£0.00

Made Up As Follows;

Saffron Building Society	£14,198.61
Lloyds Gold Deposit A/C (Easy Saver)	£51,105.83
Lloyds Current A/C	£ 3,289.32
	£68,593.76

The above expenditure was approved for payment.

It was noted that the National Salary Award inflationary increase has been applied to the Clerks salary.

8. Highways

The culvert under Priory Lane needs clearing, water is beginning to back up. Cllr Border had a site meeting with Norfolk County Council this week to discuss work to be done, Cllrs agreed that this should be dealt with ASAP.

9. Wootton Park

- The bug hotel is nearly complete, information board to be instated.
- Pavilion – the guttering is being repaired and the drain cleared.
- The football club have requested permission to paint the Pavilion dark olive green, Councillors agreed to this. SWPC will also consider this request before giving permission for the football club to go ahead.
- The bench funded by the 200 Club to go on the North Wootton strip has been delivered and ready to install.
- Parking on match days has been cause for concern amongst residents close to the Park. Cars are being parked by owners giving little consideration to access and road safety. This has been brought to the attention of the football club and they are in correspondence with the league to try and switch some home and away matches so that there are less people on any one day.

10. Street Lighting - no issues to report.

11. Planning

Applications considered

20/01262/F – Removal of existing triple garage and construction of new single storey side exention, School Farm, The Green, North Wootton - Support

20/00961/F – Extensions and laterations to cottage at 26 Little Carr Road, North Wootton - Support

- Decisions received from BCKLWN – None

12. Village Hall

- A variation to the licence to sell alcohol at events has been submitted. Cllr Cox raised concern that this may mean that the PC could not hold meetings at the Hall in the future due to PC legislation – Clerk to check with NALC.
- A QR code has been generated and displayed for track and trace purposes.
- The car park project to be carried out by highways will start at the end of November.
- The GDPR policies have been completed and displayed on the Village Hall website.

13. The Village

- *Proposed resurfacing work to road alongside the Green*

To be discussed at the next meeting,

- *Grass cutting contract 2021 season*

Discussed in Item 6.

14. Open Forum – Signs have been put up on Ling Common Road to make motorists aware of cyclists.

15. To confirm any items for the future agenda

- To consider the specification for the grass cutting contract for 2021.

- To consider feedback from the bus shelter consultation.

- Consider an application to the Parish Partnership Fund.

The meeting finished at 8.05pm.

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Date 5th November 2020