

**MINUTES OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2021 - held at 7.00pm**

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

Present: Councillors Marshall-Grint (Chair), Border, Nurse, Simpson, Edwards, Harper, Cox, Merrey, Kilham

Also in attendance - Clerk Rachel Curtis, and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies - None

Declarations of Interest - None

2. Minutes of last meeting - It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 7th January 2021 be accepted

3. Matters Arising

- The planning application for Linnymead has been amended and the proposal for the swimming pool to the rear of the property has been withdrawn.
- The Clerk will be attending a course on 24th February held by Community Action Norfolk, to learn more about supporting Covid community groups, it is thought that this may enable the PC to assist more with the Wootton Helping Hands Group.
- The PC has not heard from the Headteacher of North Wootton School regarding the idea of a car parking scheme beside the School, Clerk to follow up.

4. Law and Order

Nothing to report.

5. Open Forum

A resident attended the meeting to discuss the application for the House on the Green site. Correspondence on the Borough Council planning portal suggests that the application will be determined at their planning committee in March. However, both the PC and the Resident have tried to arrange a meeting with the applicant and architects but no response has been received. It is evident that the plan meets the needs of Highways and other statutory consultees. The PC accepts that some form of residential development will take place on the land, but wants to try and ensure it is acceptable to nearby residents and the community as a whole. There still remains concern of the sincerity of the application to retain the pub given the state of disrepair it has been left to fall into. Initial interest in a community pub idea has been positive, however it is recognised that a project of this nature would need a lot of support locally. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the Borough Council to express the PC's views again, Lord Howard will be contacted also. It was agreed that a survey could be included in the winter edition of the newsletter to gain views from parishioners.

6. Correspondence

Norfolk ALC A request for PCs to lend their support to the Armed Forces Covenant Pledge.
Cllr Nurse to attend a webinar and report back.

Highways Rangers Highways Ranger attendance to Parishes has been temporarily suspended due to the impact on services from the pandemic.

Resident Making the PC aware of the issue of heavy haulage travelling through the village is still ongoing. Cracks have appeared in the internal plasterwork of their house, although the PC believes this would be difficult to prove the cause is the

vibration from the haulage.

Bor. Cllr Nockolds was following up the issue with Highways on behalf of the PC, Clerk to find out the current situation.

Resident Correspondence regarding signage on Nursery Lane to identify the car park behind the new houses at Sandbach Road. The initial decision from SWPC was that no signage would be put up.
This was discussed at the Wootton Park meeting and the Clerk forwarded examples of the problem parking at Cranmer Ave on football match days, SWPC are going to discuss again.

Resident Concerned about litter on Station Road.
Cllr Marshall-Grint and Cllr Nurse have looked at the area and do not see that there is a problem.

Osborne Clarke Letter to inform the PC of intention to survey land at Wootton Park for telecommunications equipment.
Clerk to find out the exact location of the proposed site.

Resident It was noted that the dykes from the Red Cat to the first bridge are blocked and in need of clearing, thought to be the responsibility of Lord Howard.
Clerk to inform the Estate Office.

7. Finance

BALANCE b/fwd	£60,526.38
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002040	Total Gas & Power – Dec	1,212.25
002041	Westcotec	250.48
002042	Jet Reach – Village Bins Installation	100.00
002043	R Curtis – Expenses incl Veolia	97.92
002044	R Curtis - Feb Salary	535.60

£2,196.25

Made Up As Follows;

Saffron Building Society	£14,198.61
Lloyds Gold Deposit A/C (Easy Saver)	£41,105.83
Lloyds Current A/C	£ 3,025.69
	£58,330.13

Cllr Border presented an update on the 20/21 accounts and spend is in line with the budget.

8. Highways

- Haulage – discussed in correspondence.
- There is flooding on Nursery Lane outside number 63, water is thought to be coming from behind the property. Clerk to speak to SWPC.

9. Wootton Park

- The Park is experiencing flooding issues especially outside the Pavilion and the back of the School. A company has been contacted to look at the issue, although this cannot be done until the Spring.
- The land at the rear of Sandbach Road has been identified by the SW and NW PC as an area which could be enhanced with natural planting and walkways to create a nature area. The Rotary organisation is keen to work with PC's on this project.

- There is CIL funding available from the Borough Council and a possible project was discussed to hard-core the Bede Close car park to make it more accessible all year round.
- Cycle restrictors – work is ongoing to find a suitable replacement for the metal ones which are still deteriorating.
- The Rotary Club are also keen to be involved in projects on the Park such as litter picking and tree planting.

10. Street Lighting - Nothing to report at this meeting.

11. Planning

Applications considered

20/02032/F – 7 Meadow Close - Rear extension to dwelling and existing garage front tiled – Support

20/02062/F – Mullberry Lodge – Extension to existing garage – Support

20/02081/F – 5 Hayfield Road – Extension and alterations to dwelling - Support

- Decisions received from BCKLWN – None

Application Withdrawn - NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT 18/01832/F: Proposed first floor extension at 10 Tyndale North Wootton King's Lynn Norfolk PE30 3XD

12. Village Hall

- The Committee have received a letter of recognition from the Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk for keeping the Hall open in these unprecedented times. Clerk to write to Management Committee to offer thanks on behalf of the PC.

13. The Village

- Potential PC projects for CIL funding – School car parking, village hall car parking area and upgrading streetlights to LED. Councillors agreed to further investigate the LED lamp upgrading, Cllr Border will contact Westcotec.

- Cllr Border raised the fact that the PC does not have a neighbourhood plan. It was recognised that this is something the PC should look into – Clerk to look for courses to attend.

14. Open Forum – None.

15. To confirm any items for the future agenda

- Cllr Nurse feedback for Armed Forces Covenant webinar

- Clerk feedback from Community Action Norfolk webinar

NALC is encouraging PC's to promote ideas for lessening peoples carbon footprint and ways to help the environment. Councillors were happy for the Clerk to include a piece in the newsletter.

The meeting finished at 8.50pm.

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Date 4th March 2021