

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH 2012 AT 7.30 P.M. AT NORTH WOOTTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Present: Councillors. Armiger, Cox, Crome, Kerkham, Kilham, Malik, Milne and Pulsford-Harris.
In attendance: Mrs. E. Wymer (Clerk)

1. Apologies – Councillors Marshall-Grint, Morrison, Nurse and Towler.

2. Declaration of Interest – None.

3. Minutes of last meeting - It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th February 2012 be signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising –

North Wootton Community School has agreed that the Parish Council may hire a classroom for the remainder of the year and that they did not require any payment. However, after discussion, Councillor Kerkham proposed that £150 should be donated to the school, seconded by Councillor Cox. All in favour. The Clerk will write to the Headteacher to ask if there is a project towards which they would like financial assistance.

5. Law and order – Nothing to report.

The meeting was closed for Open Forum

6. Open Forum

No matters brought to the attention of the Parish Council.

The meeting was re-opened.

7. Correspondence

Lynda Haycock	(Harry Gregory's daughter). Is not now able to finance seat in Manor Road.
Country Grounds Maintenance	Air spade root investigation carried out on oak tree in Manor Road. Recommends felling and replanting (circulated to councillors via e-mail). Quotation for all work £1309 + VAT.
Mr. R. Brown Planning	Parking on village green. Installation of photovoltaic roof panels at Marsh Farm. Planning application withdrawn
MHB Lighting	Quotation for replacement lantern opposite Wyndham House, Manor Road - £223.00 + VAT.
Velcourt	Lorries using Station Road/Nursery Lane. Have instructed drivers to approach from Manor Road and will ask the hauliers to speak to drivers.
Simon Kilham	Instructs hauliers to use Manor Road but cannot ask them

NALC	to avoid times specified. Prayers at PC meetings. May have prayers prior to commencement of meeting but not include on agenda.
NCC	Better broadband for Norfolk. Complete on on-line at www.norfolk.gov.uk/sayyesnorfolk .
Highways	Shrubs/trees outside Wyndham House, kerb on The Howards: have instructed owners to cut back shrubs and will programme work on the kerb.
Norfolk Coast Partnership	Would the PC include link on our website? Clerk has address of their website.
Norfolk Community Foundation	Small community grant available which could be used towards donation for Jubilee celebrations at Knights Hill, (£200).
Village Hall	Expressing hope that the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council should work together in future.

The Clerk will write to the owner of the vehicle parked on the village green and inform Mr. Brown that he may contact the Land Registry if he requires details of deeds.

As Mrs. Haycock is not now able to fund a seat on Manor Road the clerk will obtain quotations for 3 different types of seats to be installed locally.

Two farmers had replied regarding lorries using Nursery Lane/Manor Road but could not avoid times specified. Councillor Kilham proposed that the Parish Council should have a sign made saying 'Lorries – turn left only' with an arrow. Seconded by Councillor Malik. All agreed. Councillor Kilham will obtain permission from the Rector to have the sign put on the church wall at the top of Station Road.

Councillor Milne will include a link on the Parish Council web-site for the Norfolk Coast Partnership.

The Clerk will write an acknowledgement of the letter from the Village Hall Committee.

8. Finance

Bal. b/fwd.		£30972.78
Less:		
E-ON	660.19	
MHB	250.49	
E. Wymer	449.96	
E. Wymer (expenses)	45.65	
CGM	<u>720.00</u>	
		<u>2126.29</u>
Bal. c/fwd.		£28846.49

Made up as follows:

Saffron Building Society	13000.00 (maturity date 7.12.12.)
Lloyds TSB	<u>15846.49</u>
	<u>28846.49</u>

Above expenditure approved for payment.

Council considered the two quotations for £223.00 + VAT and £170.00 + VAT from MHB Lighting for replacement lanterns in Manor Road and Hayfield Road. Unanimously agreed that they should be accepted.

Country Grounds Maintenance Limited had carried out the air spade root investigation on an oak tree in Manor Road and recommended that the tree should be felled and a replacement tree planted as required under the Tree Preservation Order. A quotation had been received for all the work of £1309 + VAT. The Clerk will obtain two more quotations and submit a further application to the Borough Council for the felling of the tree.

9.Highways -

Highways have written to the owners of the shrubs/trees outside Wyndham House to ask that they be cut back and have programmed the work on the kerb on The Howards

10.Wootton Park Association –

The Clerk has received communication from a parishioner with two sons who would like to get involved with the proposed skateboarding area. Details have been passed on to Wootton Park Association.

The Picnic on the Park Committee urgently need a volunteer as site manager for the celebrations following the resignation of Councillor Towler due to work commitments. The Clerk will write to Councillor Towler expressing grateful thanks for the fantastic work he did last year and also for his preparations towards this year.

11.Street lighting – Nothing to report.

12.Planning – No plans.

13.The Village –

Jubilee celebrations on 4th June at Knights Hill. Castle Rising and South Wootton Parish Councils have both applied for a small community grant of £200 each towards the celebrations. The Chairman has provisionally completed the application form for North Wootton Parish Council prior to this meeting. Unanimously agreed that this should be submitted.

14.Village Hall –

The Village Hall Committee had met last evening and Mr. Wilkinson from the National Association of Village Halls had attended.

Councillor Kilham gave a resume of the meeting.

Councillor Milne will provide the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee with details of a cheaper way of disposing of rubbish.

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the Annual Meeting to be held next Tuesday, 26th March starting at 7.15pm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40p.m.

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