

MINUTES OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 1ST JULY 2021 - held at 7.00pm

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

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

Also in attendance - Clerk Rachel Curtis, County Cllr Nick Daubney, Bor. Cllr Elizabeth Nockolds

- 1. To confirm that all persons present at the meeting are happy with the arrangements in place to minimise their exposure to COVID-19** – Agreed by all those present.
- 2. Apologies** – Cllr Border – holiday, accepted.

Declarations of Interest - None

- 3. Minutes of last meeting** - It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 3rd June 2021 be accepted

4. Matters Arising

- Nothing further to report regarding meeting the trustees of North Wootton Academy to discuss the car park project.
- The bench for Manor Road has been ordered.
- The 4th duck sign has been put up, it was agreed that to ensure maximum impact they will be taken down at the end of the summer when the breeding season is over and then put up again in early Spring.
- A reminder that the WI are holding their tea and cakes event on the Green on 3rd July to raise money for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital rebuild project.

5. Law and Order

- A car windscreen was smashed at Cranmer Ave.
- A battery has been stolen from a farm vehicle on the marsh farm area.
- Cllr Melton will attend the SNAP meeting on 7th July and will submit a response to the Norfolk County Community Safety Partnership Consultation. Councillors agreed that it would be a good idea to invite PC Allcock to the next PC meeting.

6. Open Forum

- Newly elected County Cllr Nick Daubney said he had attended his first meetings at County Hall and some induction sessions. Issues dealt with at County include, waste disposal, roads, education and social care. He is currently working to try and highlight the issues with traffic that the new Knight Hill development will create, and to gain support within the County Council for ideas to try and alleviate some of these problems.
- Bor Cllr Elizabeth Nockolds said that the date to restart the collection of food waste has been put back due to the governments delay in easing social distancing restrictions.
The Borough are starting a rolling programme to refurbish the public toilets.
There are fishing boat trips available from the pontoon at the South Quay during the Summer.

7. Correspondence -

- NCC – The Parish Partnership scheme will be running again this year and bids need to be submitted by 10th December.
- A Resident asked if there are plans to resurface the pavements at Woodland Gardens – Clerk to enquire. A discussion followed as to whether the Borough Council have any responsibility for the rapidly

increasing population of muntjacs in the area. Cllr Nockolds said no, they didn't.

8. Finance

BALANCE b/fwd	£90,619.97
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002078	Westcotec – June 21	250.48
002079	CGM Fertiliser playing field	722.40
002080	Jet Reach – Bins for June	40.00
002081	BCKLWN – Printing newsletter	99.06
002082	R Curtis – July Salary	535.60
002083	R Curtis – July N Plan	58.80
002084	R Curtis – Expenses	16.19
002085	Total Gas & Power – May 21 incl adjustments	1,128.57

£2,851.10

Income

15/06/21	UK Power Networks – wayleave	£17.96
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Made Up As Follows;

Saffron Building Society	£14,244.68
Lloyds Gold Deposit A/C (Easy Saver)	£62,267.40
Lloyds Current A/C	£11,274.75
	£87,786.83

9. Highways

There are some potholes within the South Wootton Parish, which the Clerk will report to Tracey.

10. Wootton Park

- King's Lynn Soccer School have found a new venue at North Wootton Academy, monitoring is still needed in terms of parking. As a temporary measure the group are using the toilets at the pavilion.
- Keys to the car park barrier will not be given to every manager at the Wootton Football club, they will need to use the one situated in the pavilion.
- A quote from CTS to install CCTV equipment has been accepted. Two cameras will be put up with capacity within the unit for 2 more if required at a later date. The total cost will be around £1,200.

11. Street Lighting - nothing to report.

12. Planning

- Applications considered

21/01154/F – First floor rear extension, 31 Carlton Drive - Support

21/01055/F – Proposed covered viewing area at West Norfolk Rugby Club, Gatehouse Lane - Support

- Decisions received from BCKLWN – 19/01622/F - House on the Green. This application was decided at the planning committee, and after a site visit the vote was unanimous to reject the application due to the overcrowding of the residential properties and the lack of parking for the public house.

Nothing further has been received regarding the telephone mast on Wootton Park. Clerk to enquire where the application is at.

13. Neighbourhood Plan – to hear an update on work relating to this

The designated area of the Parish boundary has been agreed by the Borough Council. The Clerk has made several enquiries with other Clerks and Councillors within the Borough who are currently writing plans. A consultant was recommended who has been approached and agreed to take on the work to assist us with our plan. It is of concern that so far only 4 resident volunteers have come forward despite the information being included in the newsletter, the Clerk writing to stakeholders and Cllr Simpson attending the last village market to talk to people. Clerk to arrange with the Consultants to visit the group to talk through what is involved.

14. Village Hall

- Bookings are good at the moment and plans are underway for the VJ Day celebrations on 15th August.
- Further plans are being drawn up for the front porch.
- A new noticeboard has been ordered, 6 ft width with LED lights.

15. The Village

To consider quotes for resurfacing the by road at The Green

- Councillors felt that the quote of £10,500 to resurface this road was expensive when the benefit will only be for a handful of residents. It was noted that the Parish Council has a duty of care to keep the road in a good state of repair, but further investigation needs to be done to try and keep the cost down. It was also noted that residents failed to reply to the letter which the Clerk sent out last year asking for contributions.

16. Open Forum – None.

17. To confirm any items for the future agenda

- Nothing at present, no meeting in August.

The meeting finished at 8.30pm

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Date 6th September 2021