

**MINUTES OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022 - held at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, North Wootton**

Present: Councillors Marshall-Grint, (Chair), Border, Harper, Cox, Lamb, Kilham, Lemmon.

Also in attendance - Minute taker - Wendy Border, 2 members of the public

**1. To accept any apologies**

Cllr Nurse, Cllr Merry, Cllr Edwards, Cllr Blood, Cllr Simpson, Clerk Rachel Curtis - apologies were accepted. Apologies also - Cllr Nockolds and Cllr Daubney.

**2. Declarations of Interest – None**

**3. New Councillor to sign paperwork –** Simon Lemmon signed the paperwork and was welcomed to the meeting.

**4. Minutes of last meeting -** It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June be accepted.

**5. Matters Arising -** All action taken however no responses forthcoming yet.

**6. Law and Order -**

- Next snap meeting 13th July 2022.

**1. Open Forum**

- A resident thanked Cllr Border for his work as Chairman of Wootton Park for the car park at Cranmer Avenue and said that it was now being used to it's full capacity.
- A resident asked if the puppy classes would still be on while the football is not on the park.
- A resident asked if the bird poo could be removed from benches in the park as they were in a mess, Cllr Border said this would be done within the next week on Wednesday when the 'green fingered gym' in the park would be held

**1. Correspondence** A thank you for Cllr Cox and Clerk Rachel Curtis for getting the website up to date with the newsletter and information on the new councillors joining NWPC.

**9. Finance**

BALANCE b/fwd. 96,960.01

**Less: Payments**

Chq No:

002192	Jet Reach - June 22	50.00
002193	CGM - Wootton Pk & Greens June 22	782.86
002194	South Wootton Parish Council	80.31
002195	R Curtis - Expenses	30.61
002196	R Curtis - July 22	616.52
002197	CGM - Wootton Pk & Greens Apr 22	1,071.38
		2,631.68

**Add: Income**

**94,328.33**

**Made up as follows**

Saffron Building Society	14,244.68
Lloyds Gold Deposit A/C (Easy Saver)	65,174.00
Lloyds Current A/C	14,909.65
	<b>94,328.33</b>

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Cllr Border reminded the parish council that even though the finances are healthy there are a couple of pending payment to be made, one for £39,000 to be made to Westcotech and any payments due to Hayes and Storr in relation to Woodland gardens land purchase

## **10. Highways**

There are weeds in the gutters around the village, nothing has so far happened, Rachel to chase.

If major disruption happens on the roads in the village can we be informed so that we can post it on our website and maybe put in our newsletter.

It has been noted that Open Reach have been taking pictures of manhole covers and associated houses, this we think is just for reference of where the manholes are but it was from someone is a plain white van and a hi vis vest, no markings on the van so it could be suspicious activity. - in this instance it was suggested that pictures are taken of the van so at least we could have evidence of the van number plate.

## **11. Wootton Park**

- After the success of the platinum jubilee event it has been agreed to hold a picnic on the park next year on Saturday 10th June 2023
  - Infants play area is still awaiting contractors to start beginning of August.
  - The Football club pavilion is to be painted green, with free labour from the football club.
  - A charity event has been requested to be held on the park on Friday 3rd September in aid of a charity.
- Still no news on Sandbach car park opening date, in the hands of South Wootton Parish Council.

## **12. Street Lighting**

- The lamps have now all been replaced with LED's. Thanks for Cllr Marshall-Grint and Cllr Border for their part in getting the information together for the new LED street lights.

## **13. Planning**

None known at this meeting, nothing discussed.

## **14. Neighbourhood Plan – to hear an update on work relating to this**

Next meeting 18th July 2022, where the first draft will be looked at and agreed, this will then be sent to the Borough Council.

## **15. Village Hall**

There is currently £39,000 in the bank account and bookings are solid. A CIL Applications has been applied for the new porch for £20,000.

## **16. The Village**

- The pyramid on Priory Lane is in need of a clean but cannot be sand blasted, Cllr Lamb is looking at pressure washing or bleaching.
- The culvert at Woodland Gardens has been cleared out by Highways.
- Cllr Border proposed to purchase trees for the jubilee from Norfolk County Council at a cost of £90 for 125 trees, this was seconded by Cllr Lamb.

It was noted the the campsite down Station Road, just passed The Spinney was opening this weekend for

the summer we have not been notified about this because it is out of our jurisdiction.

Cllr Lamb indicated that he was interested in taking over the roll of Trinity House Alms Houses from Cllr Kilham.

**17. Open Forum**

Nothing to report

**18. To confirm any items for the future agenda**

Follow up on actions points raised above.

The meeting finished at 7.55pm

Next meeting Thursday 1st September 7pm

..... Chairman                      Date 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022