

GREENS NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF MEETING ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH 2022 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: Cllrs C. Bowmer (Chair) Steve Hiscock, Charlie Croft , Trevor Collier, Peter Agness, Steve Pentland, Andrew Foss and Cllrs Mrs Caroline Trotter, Sorrel Shepherd-Cross and Joan Brennan McCord
Also present Mrs L. Paice Clerk, Cllr Charles Manners, WNC Unitary Member and one member of the public.

22/62	No APOLOGIES were received and it was agreed that Cllr Mrs Jane Docking be given extended leave of absence until the January meeting due to family health issues.																
22/63	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS were noted																
22/64	Joan Brennan McCord was formally welcomed to the meeting filling one of the vacant seats by CO-OPTION to the Council. The requisite documentation was duly completed.																
22/65	i) No DISPENSATION REQUESTS had been received. ii) No DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were made. REQUIREMENT TO UPDATE REGISTER OF INTEREST FORMS following any changes within 28 days of such changes.																
22/66	MINUTES – Having been previously circulated it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 4 th July and 8 th August 2022 be signed as a true record in line with Standing Orders.																
22/67	It was noted that there remained on seat vacant for CO-OPTION to the Council. It continued to be advertised.																
22/68	A member of the public present raised his concerns regarding a small strip of land across the frontage on one of his driveways which Mr Mark Alton, who had purchased the Lordship of the Manor of Greens Norton, was applying to register with Land Registry. Mr Alton was known to the Council and it had also received a letter of notification in this regard. The history of such earlier applications was explained and agreement was reached to support the resident's intention to object to this application Cllr Manners as UNITARY MEMBER gave a brief report to the meeting which was noted.																
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	<p>69.5 ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS - i) Submission of the Council's comments on the WNC Local Plan Employment Allocation SPDs was noted.</p> <p>ii) The collection of names at the Village Fete for Community Engagement purposes had been successful but there had been no interest in helping to formulate a Neighbourhood Plan which left this in serious doubt. It would be removed from the Agenda for the time being.</p>																																																																																																																	
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22/71	<p>REPORTS –</p> <p>71.1 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT –i) The Chairman gave an update following his meeting with Bubble Creative and would circulate a statistics report he had received. A door to door leaflet was being worked on. The Clerk would circulate a page from the Towcester Town Crier magazine seeking residents suggestions on what they would like to see the Council doing.</p> <p>ii) Cllr Pentland gave a preliminary update on his thinking towards formulating a vision and the creation of a brand for the village outlining possible ways in which this could be achieved. He would continue to report back to future meetings on his progressed as work commitments allowed.</p> <p>iii) Determination on dissemination of media releases etc from WNC would be left with the Clerk.</p>																																																																																																																	

	<p>71.2 HIGHWAYS – i) Cllr Collier had arranged removal of a vehicle abandoned at the bottom of Bradden Road by the corner of the green and would check the position on an earlier reported vehicle on Church View. No highways issues were raised.</p> <p>ii) Update were given on previously reported issues.</p> <p>iii) Cllr Foss had circulated the latest VAS data for which he was thanked</p> <p>iv) There was discussion on the possibility of replacing vehicle activated signs which could not collect data and the Clerk would speak to Steve Barber at Kier in this regard and also relating to possible grant funding. The Clerk would make contact with Highways regarding possible traffic calming options for the entrances to the village.</p> <p>v) The latest HE road closure alerts on the A43 were noted.</p> <p>71.3 -RIGHTS OF WAY – The Clerk reported on ongoing investigations relating to RN13 and 14 by Mount Pleasant and at the top of School Lane particularly regarding vegetation overgrowth.</p> <p>71.4 - TREES - No issues raised.</p> <p>71.5- LIGHTING - Information was awaited regarding the unmetered charges for street lighting well in advance of the contract renewal in 2024</p> <p>71.6 PLAYING FIELD - i)Regular checks continued. No issues raised.</p> <p>ii) The resurfacing of the toddler play area had been very successful.</p> <p>iii) The replacement part on the sweeping see saw had been fixed by the Chairman.</p> <p>71.7 POCKET PARK – A Report had been circulated.</p> <p>71.8 JUBILEE GARDEN – i) Regular maintenance continued.</p> <p>71.9 VILLAGE GREEN – i) The electrical socket had now been replaced.</p> <p>71.10 There were no issues to report on the ALLOTMENTS site.</p> <p>71.11. The Chairman updated the meeting on the position with the Charity Commission and the former VILLAGE HALL Charity.</p> <p>71.11 –Cllr Foss had circulated his regular POLICE LIAISON report.</p> <p>71.12 OTHER REPORTS –i) The FIREWORKS Group were urged to make some progress as time was quickly passing. A decision from FROGS on refreshments was being followed up by the Clerk.</p> <p>ii) The Duncote defibrillator was now fully installed and Cllr Croft was following up on training in its use. The GN defibrillator had now been categorised as defunct both it and the cabinet no longer in production creating a knock on effect on spares. The Clerk had obtained an initial costing for replacement of both defib and cabinet and after discussion it was RESOLVED that a replacement be sited in the telephone box on High Street replacing its current use as a village exchange. The box was currently closed of due to deterioration damage and the Clerk outlined repair possibilities and costs. It was RESOLVED that this suggestion be progressed and that members be kept updated on costings and requirements as a power supply would probably need to be reconnected. The Clerk would submit an article for Village News indicating the change of use and the removal of all books and other items deposited in the box giving the opportunity for residents to retrieve anything they wished to take back.</p> <p>iii) The opportunity for a seat from one of the felled tree in the churchyard was still on the table and the Council RESOLVED to take it for siting on the playing field.</p> <p>iv) The Clerk explained that although signage was posted around the village indicating a Neighbourhood Watch Area for it to be a member there needed to be a NHW Co-ordinator. Cllr Foss explained that this was largely an administrative role and it was agreed that an item be submitted for the Village News seeking a volunteer to take on the role. In the meantime no changes would be made.</p> <p>v) Members were reminded of their responsibility to check various PC assets. Few had responded so far and the Clerk would again circulate the register but for the last time. If reports were not forthcoming then the asset would be recorded as not checked. Cllr Collier highlighted an issue with the seat on Bradden Road which he was following up with the Fifty Plus Group.</p>
22/72	<p>CORRESPONDENCE – i) General correspondence received was noted.</p> <p>ii) Cllr Hiscock had advised his hoped attendance at the NCALC AGM in October.</p>
22/73	<p>CONSULTATIONS –i) Support would be submitted to WNC on the Draft Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). Once this was adopted new signage would be arranged for the playing field.</p> <p>ii) Members who had attended the NH presentation of Towcester centre traffic gave their feedback,</p>
	<p><i>Pursuant to the public bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the sensitive nature of the matter next to be considered relating to a national protocol issue members of the public and press were asked to leave</i></p>
22/74	<p>Members were updated on issues relating to the national protocol Operation London Bridge and local decisions would need to be made at the next meeting. As any incident arising would affect the village</p>

	website the Clerk stressed the importance of a member coming forward to train on its use as it was not considered sensible that the Clerk was the only person knowing how to do this.
22/75	ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA - i) Budget meeting arrangement.
22/76	DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING –Monday October 3rd 2022 at 7.30pm in Meeting Room 2.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.35pm