

GREENS NORTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING ON MONDAY OCTOBER 3RD 2022 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Cllrs C. Bowmer (Chair) Steve Hiscock, Trevor Collier, Peter Agness, and Cllrs Mrs Caroline Trotter, and Joan Brennan McCord

Also present Mrs L. Paice Clerk, and one member of the public.

22/77	APOLOGIES were received from Cllrs Croft (business commitment), Pentland (unwell), Foss (unwell) Shepherd-Cross and Cllr Mrs Jane Docking in line with a dispensation given until the New Year for family health issues.					
22/78	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS were noted					
22/79	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.					
22/80	MINUTES – Having been previously circulated it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 5 th September 2022 be signed as a true record in line with Standing Orders.					
22/81	A further notice for CO-OPTION to the Council had been posted but no response received so far.					
22/82	No PUBLIC TIME issues were raised and there was no UNITARY MEMBER report.					
22/83	PLANNING –83.1 – Although not shown on the Agenda, it was RESOLVED that the following APPLICATIONS be considered and comments would be submitted accordingly:					
	Application No	Details		Comment		
	WNS/2022/1841/LBC	Listed Building Consent to replace front door and frame at 1, Blakesley Hill		No objections		
	WNS/2022/1856/FUL and LBC	Installation of solar panels on roof at The Coach House, Falcon Manor		No objections		
	83.2- PERMISSIONS – 50 Home Close; 19 Smithland Court					
	83.3 - REFUSALS – None					
	84.4 – MAJOR DEVELOPMENT UPDATES –i) The Woolgrowers application had not yet progressed to WNC Committee					
	ii) A letter had been received from DHL Consultants advising of further documentation submitted to WNC and offering an update meeting with the Council. It was RESOLVED that they be invited to attend the next meeting on 31 st October					
	83.5 ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS - i) The Clerk detailed actions which would be put in place to cover her absence in November/December.					
22/84	FINANCE – 84.1a) payment of the following accounts since the last meeting was noted:					
	Online Ref	Amount	Inc VAT of	Payee	Details	Spending Power
	OL9/16	£1500.00		James Garnor	Fireworks deposit	LGA 1972 s144
	OL9/17	£1558.48		Gallagher	Insurance renewal	Accs & Audit Regs
	84.1b) It was RESOLVED that Cllrs Bowmer and Hiscock authorise the following payments online:					
	Online Ref	Amount	Inc VAT of	Payee	Details	Spending Power
	OL10/1	£1385.41)		Linda Paice	Salary	LGA 1972 s112
	OL10/2	£307.13		HMRC	Tax and NHI	LGA 1972 S112
	OL10/3	£498.00	83.00	CGM	Mowing	Open Spaces Act
	OL10/4	£300.00	50.00	Bubble Creative	Community Engagement	GPOC
	OL10/5	£45.60	7.60	NCALC	Training fees	LGA 1972 s111
	OL10/6	£27.20		GNCCA	Room Hire	LGA 1972 s 111
	OL10/7	£50.00		Fay Wilkins	PF works	Open Spaces Act

OL10/8	£187.73	31.28	Printerbase	Shared admin items	LGA 1972 s111
OL10/9	£253.80	42.30	DNH Contracting	Dog bin maintenance	Open Spaces Act
OL10/10	£324.00		Mat Webber	Jubilee Garden and handyman work	Open Spaces Act
Direct debit	£160.83	6.64	SSE	Electricity	Highways Act

84.1c) Although not shown on the Agenda it was **RESOLVED** that the following payments be made under Financial Regulation 6.5:

Online Ref	Amount	Inc VAT of	Payee	Details	Spending Power
OL10/11	£24.00	4.00	Edge IT Systems	Asset management set up	LGA 1972 s111
OL10/12	£508.80		Carey Bayliss	~Telephone box repair	GPOC

84.2 To note **RECEIPTS** – Cricket Club - £75.00; Blakesley PC - £103.00; Whittlebury PC - £275.00; EON - £2.86

84.3 The Council's bank balance at 30th 2022 was noted as £94,805.87. This includes receipt of the second half of the Precept which was not known at the time of the meeting

84.4 The 2021-22 Audit had now been fully signed off by PKF Littlejohn the External Auditors with no issues raised.

84.5 Further documentation on the Council Corporate Multi Pay Card application was duly signed .

84.6 The date for the annual budget setting meeting had been arranged.

22/85

REPORTS –

85.1 **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** –i) The Chairman had circulated the report from Bubble Creative and gave a further brief update.

ii) Cllr Pentland had sent apology and was not present at the meeting.

85.2 **HIGHWAYS** – i) The long abandoned vehicle on Church View had now been removed.

ii) A Police presence would be requested at school start and finish times as drivers were consistently parking on the yellow zig zag lines on Calvert Road. A PCSO presence had been noted in Duncote and the need for Officers to actually leave their vehicles and be seen walking around would be highlighted.

ii) Update were given on previously reported issues.

iii) Cllr Foss had circulated the latest Ducote VAS data which was noted and would be following up a Police & Crime Commissioner possible funding facility. The Clerk was still trying to get a response from Steve Barber of Kier regarding further VAS possibilities which also collected data.

iv) The Clerk had made contact with Highways regarding possible traffic calming options for the entrances to the village but it was **RESOLVED** that the Officer be asked to attend a meeting so that the full concerns of the Council could be explained.

85.3 **-RIGHTS OF WAY** – The Clerk reported updates on the ongoing investigations relating to RN13 and 14 by Mount Pleasant and at the top of School Lane particularly regarding vegetation overgrowth.

85.4 - **TREES** - A tree overhanging the footpath on Church View would be reported.

85.5- **LIGHTING** - Information was still awaited regarding the unmetered charges for street lighting well in advance of the contract renewal in 2024

85.6 **PLAYING FIELD** - i)Regular checks continued. No issues raised.

ii) The Clerk would follow up on the tree seat which had been offered by the Church as no contact had yet been made by the Contractor.

85.7 **POCKET PARK** – A Report had been circulated.

85.8 **JUBILEE GARDEN** – i) Regular maintenance continued and the Handyman would be asked to cut back ivy growing over into the gardens on Calvert Close.

85.9 **VILLAGE GREEN** – i) No issues to report.

85.10 There were no issues to report on the **ALLOTMENTS** site.

85.11. The Chairman updated the meeting on the position with the Charity Commission and the former **VILLAGE HALL** Charity.

85.11 –Cllr Foss had circulated his regular **POLICE LIAISON** report.

85.12 **OTHER REPORTS** –i) Cllr Trotter on behalf of the **FIREWORKS** Group gave an update on progression of the planned event on November 5th. Towcester Junior Football Club would be advised that the field will not be available on November 5th and 6th. Prices for the tickets at £12 for a family, £4 for an adult and £3 for a child were agreed. Tickets would be made available in the Post Office, Butchers and the Pub as previously but would also be arranged via an online link up with Event Create

	<p>The CCA had agreed to provide refreshments as FROGS were only offering drinks. Glowsticks would be provided for the children as in previous years. Posters and the banner were all in hand.</p> <p>ii) The Duncote defibrillator was now fully installed and Cllr Croft was following up on training in its use. The telephone box on High Street had now been repaired and emptied and checking of the power supply was in hand. When this had been done a decision could be made on the specific defibrillator to be installed.</p> <p>iii) The Jubilee tree planting was discussed and would be firmed up to start at Duncote at 10.30 on November 4th and then move on to the Jubilee Garden area. Cllr Trotter would arrange for a photograph at Duncote and Cllr Brennan McCord would arrange for two or three pupils from the school to attend at the Jubilee Garden.</p> <p>iv) Christmas trees were all on order and would be again confirmed with CGM with the decoration event on the green in the afternoon of Sunday 4th December which Cllr Docking will be managing. The choir are wanting to do Carols at some point on the day and FROGS have also indicated that they would do Christmas Market stalls as previously but this was proving difficult to pin down. The Choir had been advised to decide what and when they want to do the Carols and FROGS would be advised to tie in with that accordingly.</p> <p>v) Cllr Hiscock offered to act for the Council at the November 13th Remembrance Service and lay the village wreath for which the Council RESOLVED to make a donation to the RBL of £50</p> <p>vi) A follow up on Operation London Bridge was held and the Clerk clarified preparation for any further requirements which might arise whilst she was out of the country.</p> <p>vii) To create a better balance on Council website management, Cllr Collier agreed to become a second Editor of the site. The Clerk would arrange the requisite training with 2Commune.</p>
22/86	<p>CORRESPONDENCE – i) General correspondence received was noted including a Letter of Condolence sent to Buckingham Palace on the death of the queen.</p> <p>ii) Further papers on the claiming of a parcel of land by Mark Alton as Lord of the Manor of Greens Norton were noted. This was being further pursued by the owner of Kingthorn Manor.</p>
22/87	<p>CONSULTATIONS –i) Members felt unable to comment on the recent consultation on Ward Boundaries.</p>
22/88	<p>ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA - None requested</p>
22/89	<p>DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING –Monday October 31st 2022 at 7.30pm in Meeting Room 2 this being an agreed change for date of the November meeting to accommodate the Clerk's imminent absence.</p>

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.04pm