

GREENS NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF MEETING ON MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2023 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: Cllrs C. Bowmer (Chair), Steve Hiscock, Peter Agness, Charlie Croft, Steve Pentland, Andrew Foss, Trevor Collier and Cllrs Mrs Caroline Trotter and Jane Docking

Also present Mrs L. Paice Clerk, and two members of the public including Cllr Charles Manners Ward Member.

23/14	APOLOGIES were received from Cllr Mrs Brennan McCord (no reason given). Mrs Shepherd Cross was absent from the meeting.																						
23/15	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS were noted																						
23/16	i) No DISPENSATION REQUESTS had been received. ii) DECLARATION OF INTEREST was made by Cllr Collier on agenda item 8.4 as a Trustee of the Community Centre. REQUIREMENT TO UPDATE REGISTER OF INTEREST FORMS following any changes within 28 days of such changes.																						
23/17	MINUTES – Having been previously circulated it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 3 rd January 2023 be signed as a true record in line with Standing Orders.																						
23/18	The Clerk reported that following new advertisements an enquiry had been made about CO-OPTION to the Council which was being followed up.																						
23/19	Cllr Manners as Unitary members updated the meeting on the WNC budget proposals and advised that he had been unable to get any information in relation to solar panel opportunities for the Post Office Shop. There was also a conversation on the latest position with the Towcester Relief Road junction to the A43.																						
23/20	<p>PLANNING - 20.1) –The following APPLICATIONS were considered and comments would be submitted accordingly:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Application No</th> <th>Details</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>WNS/2023/0013/FUL Weblink: https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/WNS/2023/0013/FUL</td> <td>Loft conversion, front and rear dormers and new window to west elevation at 1Towester Road</td> <td>No objection but concern about the loss of another bungalow in the village.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>WNS/2023/0060/FUL Weblink: https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/WNS/2023/0060/FUL</td> <td>Two storey rear extension at 2-3 Bengal Cottages Bengal</td> <td>No objections</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>20.2- PERMISSIONS – None 20.3 -REFUSALS – None. 20.4 –MAJOR DEVELOPMENT UPDATES –The Clerk gave the latest updates on DHL and Woolgrowers Field following conversation earlier in the day with the main Case Officer. In both cases Highways information was still awaited. 20.5 ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS - a) The requested meeting with National Highways and WNC Highways was now set for February 13th at 2pm with Cllrs Collier, Croft and Hiscock now attending with the Clerk.</p>					Application No	Details	Comments	WNS/2023/0013/FUL Weblink: https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/WNS/2023/0013/FUL	Loft conversion, front and rear dormers and new window to west elevation at 1Towester Road	No objection but concern about the loss of another bungalow in the village.	WNS/2023/0060/FUL Weblink: https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/WNS/2023/0060/FUL	Two storey rear extension at 2-3 Bengal Cottages Bengal	No objections									
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OL2/3	£50.00		Sue Ingram	PF work	Open Spaces Act
OL2/4	£1371.00		London Hearts	Defibrillator	GPOC
OL2/5	£211.80	35.30	DNH Contracts	Dog bin maintenance	Open Spaces Act
OL2/6	£40.00		Information Comm Office	Data Protection fee	LGA 1972 s111
		Multipay card			
	£112.44	18.74	Toolchimp Ltd	Pocket Park tools	Open Spaces Act
	£122.38	20.40	Wybone	Dog waste bags	Open Spaces Act
OL2/7	£300.52	50/08	Printerbase	Admin costs	LGA 1972 s111
		Direct debits			
Direct debit	£169.61	8.06	SSE	Electricity	Highways Act
Direct debit	£3.00		Lloyds Bank	Multipay card fee	Finance & audit Regs

21.2 To note **RECEIPTS** - £100 from Christmas tree event; £168.69 GNAGS water: £239.98 shared admin costs from Blakelsey and Whittlebury PCs

21.3 The Council's bank balance at 23rd January 2023 was noted as £80,029.08

21.4 Cllr Collier having left the room due to a declared interest, the meeting considered a grant application from GN Community Centre Association for support towards energy reduction projects. It was resolved that a grant of £1000 be made in line with a 2022-23 budget figure of £800 topped up from PC reserves.

21.5 Details of receipts and payments to December 2022, having been previously circulated, were noted.

21.6 It was noted that the Edge IT Accounts System package had been upgraded to the next banding level due to income and expenditure levels being exceeded.

21.7 Feedback following a request for help with energy costs at the Post Office Store made at the last meeting, as agreed the Clerk had made full investigations into indications made that Parish Councils at Titchmarsh and Middleton Cheney had given grants within their areas. This information proved to be incorrect and this had been passed on and explained to the shop owner and the residents supporting the request for financial help.

23/22

REPORTS –

22.1 **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** –i) The Chairman had circulated the latest report and issues would be followed up with Bubble.

ii) Cllr Pentland was still to work further on his proposals and it was **RESOLVED** that for the time being the regular item be removed from the Agenda.

22.2 **HIGHWAYS** – i) Potholes by the Towcestrians, at the bottom of Bradden Road and outside of the Church would be reported.

ii) Updates were given on previously reported issues.

22.3 The latest VAS data from Duncote had been circulated and Cllr Foss would progress further VAS possibilities via his Police Liaison Officer role.

22.4 As previously reported the requested National Highways and WNC Highways meeting was in hand for 13th February

22.5 **-RIGHTS OF WAY** – No issues raised

22,6 - **TREES** - No issues raised.

22.7- **LIGHTING** - Revised prices from Forde & McHugh were noted.

22.8 **PLAYING FIELD** - i)Regular checks continued. A replacement for the damaged seat on the twirly whirly roundabout had been ordered and was awaited.

ii) Determination on the tree trunk seat was still awaited and the Clerk would follow up on this.

22,9 **JUBILEE GARDEN** – i) As far as the Clerk was aware, regular maintenance continued.

22.10 **POCKET PARK** report had been circulated and the Chair updated members on the latest project to top dress the footpaths through the Park which would take some time to complete.

22.11 A possible water leak by the meter in the **ALLOTMENTS** was to be followed up with Anglian Water.

22.12. The Chairman updated the meeting on the position on the former **VILLAGE HALL** Charity. The Charity Commission were still raising issues so progress was slow.

22.14 –Cllr Foss had circulated his regular **POLICE LIAISON** report and gave a verbal update.

22.15 **OTHER REPORTS** –i) The second defibrillator for the telephone box had been ordered and an Electrician to install it was being sought.

	<p>ii) Members had been issued with a copy of their training record and were asked to consider what further training they considered they needed. The Full Council Code of Conduct Training was already booked for 28th February at 7pm. All members were as far as possible required to attend.</p> <p>iii) The existence of the West Northants Climate Change Group was noted and would be monitored</p> <p>iv) There was lengthy consideration given relating to the marking of the Coronation of King Charles III over the weekend of 6th to 8th May and Cllrs Mrs Docking and Pentland would meet and feed back a proposal to the next meeting.</p>
23/23	CORRESPONDENCE – i) General correspondence received was noted an article on the NCALC latest Mini eUpdate on Documents and Policies being highlighted. The Clerk would be working to ensure that all Statutory requirements were met.
23/24	CONSULTATIONS –Details of the WNC Draft Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Policy had been circulated and it was RESOLVED that the Council considered itself unable to respond.
23/25	ANY ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA - None requested
23/26	DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING –Monday 6th March 2023 at 7.30pm in Meeting Room 2

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05pm