

**MINUTES OF NORMANTON ON SOAR PARISH ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING,
THURSDAY 13TH MAY 2021 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM**

Present: Cllrs Dave Smith (Chairman), Paul Sharpe, Keith Bonser, Ben Fern, Sam Kearns, Sue Ponting, Stuart Sleight

The Clerk Sue Lewis and Rushcliffe Borough Cllr Kevin Shaw

21/PC/1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Nominated: Cllr Dave Smith

**Proposed Cllr Sue Ponting Seconded Stuart Sleight
Agreed Unanimously**

There being no other nominations Cllr Dave Smith was elected as Chairman.

**21/PC/2 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMANS DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE
AND AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.**

Cllr Dave Smith signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

21/PC/3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs Cary's Thomas & Lesley Way

21/PC/4 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Nominated: Cllr Keith Bonser

**Proposed Cllr Dave Smith Seconded Cllr Sue Ponting
Agreed Unanimously**

21/PC/6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

**21/PC/7 TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
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**Proposed Cllr Keith Bonser Seconded Paul Sharpe
Agreed Unanimously**

**A) MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES (NOT INCLUDED IN THIS AGENDA)
INFORMATION ONLY -**

None that are not already covered on tonight's agenda.

21/PC/8 CLERKS/CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman

- The lamp post on Main Street that was moved due to flood works has now been repaired.

Clerk

- Following complaints from residents the obstruction of Footpath 2 on Moor Lane Playing Flaying has been reported to the Rights of Way Officer.
- Soar Lane Access – several complaints have been received from someone living outside of the village.
- Speed Camera – due to the software being old Sutton Bonington Parish Council have been unable to download the data.

21/PC/9 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Kevin Shaw reported:

- The Local Government Boundary Commission for England has launched a public consultation inviting proposals to maintain the current pattern of electoral wards for Rushcliffe Borough Council.

This includes their recommendation that 44 councillors should continue to be elected to the Council in future instead of a previous proposal to the authority it could increase to 46 in line with the Borough's increasing populations.

- East Leake Parish Council at their Annual Parish Meeting welcomed MP Ruth Edwards who spoke about EL Health Centre and ongoing flooding.
- The Government have bought in duty of co-operation where Nottingham City Council can ask for all local councils to take some of their housing allocation – Rushcliffe are trying to scrap it.

21/PC/10 TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON POLICING, HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MATTERS

- The Speed Camera has now been located on Far Lane.
- Update from ST on drainage – An email has been received from Tim Smith informing us that because of the cost and the viability of the contract a meeting has been arranged for next week to discuss. The Chairman is very disappointed in how long it is taking.

21/PC/11 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON FERRY & FERRY SIGN

The Chairman wish to have it minuted his thanks to Nick, Sibley Fabrication for the work carried out on the Ferry and he is pleased to report that the Ferry was returned last Sunday and is back in place, he would also like to thank Cllr Keith Bonser for towing it from one place to another.

A resident is painting the side of the ferry hut, the electric needs to be finished, felt replaced on the roof and the ferry chain to be connected.

Ferry Sign – Following a discussion on the artwork it was agreed to change the font size, background colour on the small text box plus correct mistakes.

21/PC/12 TO DISCUSS DRAFT ARTWORK ON NEW VILLAGE GATEWAY SIGN

The Chairman reported that comments from the last meeting had been passed on the but due to heavy work load they did not have time to get back to us before tonight's meeting. Decision to be deferred to next meeting.

21/PC/13 TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND UPDATES ON:

PLAYING FIELDS – Croquet Square – Following a discussion it was agreed to write to the Croquet Club requesting that they move the posts to each corner of the square to assist in the moving of the field.

Clerk to chase NCC re spraying of the weeds on the playing field.

VILLAGE NEWS ITEMS – Articles to be submitted on dog fouling and the Airport.

SOAR LANE ACCESS

- Gate now fitted with combination padlock.
- Artwork for new signs agreed which will be erected at the end of the week.

UPDATE FROM ENVIRONMENT GROUP

- **APPOINT TREE WARDENS** – Four residents had come forward to volunteer for Tree Warden, they will be trained to keep an eye on the condition of the trees in the village.
- **TREE PLANTING SCHEME ON JUBILEE FIELD** – Cllr Ben Fern referred members to his report previously circulated and following a discussion it was agreed that the hedge was not old enough yet to be laid. Following receipt of an email from a resident it was agreed to consult villagers on the planting of trees and the use of the field. It was agreed to carry forward to the next meeting.
- **CONSERVATION AREA** – Following a show of hands it was agreed to follow up the advice received from Cllr Carys Thomas and identify parts of the village which could be included in a Conservation Area – Cllr Ben Fern to take this forward.
- **LOCATIONS FOR SOWING WILDFLOWER SEEDS** – Seeds have now been received from Rushcliffe and it may be too late to plant. To be discussed at next meeting.
- **BETTER BROADBAND SCHEME** – Cllr Paul Sharpe reported that he had received information on the costs and that he was still waiting to hear from Open Reach.

21/PC/14 TO DISCUSS IDEAS FOR CELEBRATING THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE

The Clerk reported that she had written to Joanne Herbert Stepney about a creating a wood for the Jubilee.

Further ideas were a party in a marquee on the field – further suggestions were requested for the next meeting.

21/PC/15 TO APPROVE CHEQUES, DIRECT DEBITS, & BILL PAYMENTS FOR APRIL 2021

Cheque No	Payee	Details	Amount
2121	S Lewis	Bagforce - Bark	78.13
2122	S Lewis	Salary	258.43
2123	HMRC	PAYE	64.40
2124	Ladybug Garden Services	Mowing of Verges & Play Equip	287.00
2125	Dave Smith	100th B'day Card & Flowers	15.50
2126	S Lewis	Microsoft 365	59.99
2126	S Lewis	Zoom Subs	14.39
2127	Sibley Fabrications	Refurbishment of Ferry	5085.60
2128	NoS Jubilee Field	2 x keys for Security Padlock	19.00
2129	Paul Sharpe	Combination Padlock (Soar Lane)	24.99
2129	Paul Sharpe	Top Up for Soar Lane Mobile	10.00
2130	Notts County Council	Landscaping Contract	389.47
			6228.77

Receipts

		Details	Amount
01/04/21	Rushcliffe Borough Council	2021/2022 Precept	14208.00
25/04/21	Jubilee Hall Comm	Donation to lights etc	2000.00

**Proposed Cllr Keith Bonser
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Sam Kearn

21/PC/16 TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING – INFORMATION ONLY

1. Rushcliffe Borough Council, Planning and Growth – 21/00721/TPO 7 Main Street – Grant Permission to reduce canopy to Oak Tree – Noted
2. Electoral Commission – Local Government Boundary Review for Rushcliffe – Agenda Item for next meeting

21/PC/17 ANY OTHER MATTERS ON WHICH THE CLERK OR MEMBERS WISH TO REPORT. INFORMATION ONLY

Consideration be given to erecting a flagpole outside the Village Hall.

A notice which has been prepared by Dave Barsby as part of the Flood Warden Scheme has gone up on the noticeboard, which includes contact details of all the local agencies etc in the event of flooding.

Bands have been booked for the Picnic in the Park on Saturday 14th August 2021.

Date of next meeting to be confirmed due to availability of the Village Hall. 14th June