

**MINUTES OF NORMANTON ON SOAR PARISH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2022 IN THE VILAGE HALL AT 7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs Dave Smith (Chairman), Sam Kearn, Glenn Martin, Stuart Sleight, Sue Ponting, and Cllr Carys Thomas (RBC),

The Clerk Sue Lewis was also present.

**22/PC/59**      **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllrs Patrick Burge, Paul Waterfall, Lesley Way, Kevin Shaw, and Matt Barney reasons given and approved.

**22/PC/60**      **DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Cllr Stuart Sleight declared an interest in item

**22/PC/61**      **TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6th OCTOBER 2022 – PAGES 11-14**

**Proposed Cllr Dave Smith      Seconded Cllr Stuart Sleight**  
**Agreed Unanimously**

**22/PC/62**      **CLERKS REPORT**

- Public Spaces Protection Order Notices have arrived today, Cllr Stuart Sleight agreed to put them up around the play area.
- Trimming of Horse Chestnut Tree – VIA are denying all knowledge, Clerk to continue to pursue.
- Email received from Mather Jamie regarding the ragwort on the adjoining fields to the Village Hall and tree on Ferry Field – both requests to be actioned.

**22/PC/63**      **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

**Cllr Carys Thomas reported**

- The Greater Nottinghamshire Strategic Plan is going to Cabinet next week, talk of big development between Normanton and Stanford has gone out of the plan as well as the one behind West Leake there is no talk about allocating any more sites in Rushcliffe which is a bit worrying. The big sites did not start delivering when supposed to so they have put in extra sites such as Sutton Bonington, so the big sites will develop during the next 10year period. Nottingham City Council have got a quota that they can't meet and they are not proposing to try to meet it therefore the other councils have not been asked to take extra houses to meet their quota which means the whole plan could fail at examination. Once been to Cabinet will go out to Consultation.
- Local Development Order for Radcliffe on Soar Power Station has been put back. Lots of objections from significant people have been received about the the Transport Arrangements. Borough Councillors are still opposing it because of the traffic impact on West Leake and surrounding roads, they have identified it as a problem but have no solutions.
- Solar Farms progressing, the one at Kingston is going to Planning Committee next Thursday. The one at East Leake behind the Golf Course, RBC have asked for an independent landscape assessment.
- The new Crematorium at Stragglethorpe is coming along nicely.

- Bingham Arena project is behind

**22/PC/64      TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON POLICING, HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MATTERS**  
 • **FLOODING**

- Letter sent to resident on Main Street who has been charging his car with the lead across the pavement advising him that it is a danger.
- It was reported at the last meeting that ST said they couldn't go further to get on the land as the farmer has issues with flooding in the village and a letter has now been sent to Mather Jamie.
- A meeting has been held with Cllr Matt Barney and 2 reps from VIA to discuss draining issues and resurfacing on Far Lane. The blocked drains on Main Street have also been reported.
- Following a query from a neighbour to Soar Lane, it was agreed to remove the ivy from the boundary wall and clear the vegetation as appropriate and erect a fence as required. Quote to clear out, seed and put up a fence £580, suggestions were made to put in a bollard instead.
- The piece of land down the side of the pub (Soar Lane) is messy due to overflow running and soaking into the ground causing a big sludgy mess. Once they get the problem solved, we can ask them to get the land cleaned up. Agreed to write a letter

**22/PC/65      TO CONSIDER SIGNING THE CIVILITY AND RESPECT PLEDGE AND ADOPTING THE ANTI-BULLYING POLICY**

The Council agreed to sign the Civility and Respect Pledge and adopt the Anti Bullying Policy.

**22/PC/66      TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF CREATING A WARM HUB IN THE VILLAGE**

Following a discussion on warm hubs the issues raised were where would it be held and who would run it. It was agreed not to carry forward.

**22/PC/67      TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY COMMUNITY TURBINES TO OFFSET ENERGY COSTS <https://communityenergyengland.org>**

It was agreed that further investigation was needed on this item, therefore it will be carried over to the next meeting in December.

**22/PC/68      TO DISCUSS THE PLANTER AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE VILLAGE**

This has now been removed and taking it to pieces was not very easy and it had all gone rotten and repairable. It was agreed to scrap and not replace.

**22/PC/69      To Discuss and Consider Reply to Notts Fire Cover Consultation <https://www.notts-fire.gov.uk/about-us/public-consultation-fire-cover-in-nottinghamshire/>**

It was agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting.

**22/PC/70      TO RECEIVE REPORTS AND UPDATES ON:**

**FERRY** - Ladybug Garden Services produced a quote for the replacement of the steps and rail which had gone rotten for the sum of £460. It was agreed to accept the quote and to apply to the Ward Councillors Rushcliffe Community Fund. Clerk to action.

It was reported that the pennywort and reeds around the Ferry stage were very overgrown and

blocking visibility and access. Clerk to report to the National Rivers Trust.

**JUBILEE FIELD** – Hedge cutting to be carried out in the next few weeks now the bird nesting season is over. Quote from Nick Schofield to put in a new metal post at the side of the Village Hall by the bins for approx. £178 - Agreed

**VILLAGE NEWS ITEMS** – Nothing to report.

**CONSERVATION AREAS** – Cllr Carys Thomas reported that RBC were reviewing the out-of-date ones first and will then be looking at the new sites/villages. Clerk to email and register our interest for the creation of a Conservation Area in Normanton.

**22/PC/71**      **TO APPROVE CHEQUES, DIRECT DEBITS, & BILL PAYMENTS FOR OCTOBER 22**

<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2248	S Lewis	Salary	262.68
2249	HMRC	PAYE	65.80
2250	Ladybug Garden Services	Mowing Village Verges	236.00
2250	Ladybug Garden Services	Strim Village Hall etc	45.00
2250	Ladybug Garden Services	Strimming Ferry (1yr)	172.00
2250	Ladybug Garden Services	Ann Ferry Phone Contract	120.00
DD	PWLB	Loan	1292.27

**Receipts**

		<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
29/10/22	McGoldrick	Allotment 5	50.00

**Proposed Cllr Dave Smith  
Agreed Unanimously**

**Seconded Cllr Sue Ponting**

**22/PC/72**      **TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING – INFORMATION ONLY**

1. Rights of Way Officer – finger post of Footpath 5 to be repaired - noted
2. NALC – new pay scales following pay rise – noted
3. Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan – circulated to councillors.

**22/PC/73**      **ANY OTHER MATTERS ON WHICH THE CLERK OR MEMBERS WISH TO REPORT. INFORMATION ONLY**

Wooden bridge on Footpath 5 very slippery – Clerk to report to the Rights of Way Officer.

Christmas lights switch-on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Lights need to be tested, mulled wine being supplied by the Plough and donations to go to the Church this year.

Poppies have been put up and a suggestion was made to make an even better display next year – Clerk to investigate the costs.

Speeding in the Village is bad again – speak to Cllr Matt Barney.

Parking outside the school is getting bad again – Clerk to send a letter.

Budget Meeting to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7pm before the next parish council meeting.

Next Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm

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