



WOODNEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Monday 10th May 2021, Village Hall, 8pm

(DRAFT) MINUTES

Present: Cllr Hansford (Chairman) Cllr Neville (Vice Chairman), Cllr Blackmore, Cllr Guttridge, Cllr Swallow and Amy Miller (Clerk and RFO)

1. Declarations of Interests from Councillors

Cllr Swallow had an interest in 8 (b)

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. Public Time

None

4. Minutes of Meeting Held on 12th April 2021.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th April 2021, having been previously circulated, were, **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5. Matters arising from Previous Minutes (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

Following the Internal Audit sign off and requirements for the External Audit **AGREED** and minuted in items 10,11 and 12 at the April 2021 meeting, these were **RECONFIRMED**.

6. Speeding in and through the Village

Cllr. Blackmore updated. Steve Barber from ENC Highways continues to chase our revised Section 50 Licence requirements. It was agreed the camera would remain on Orchard Lane facing the Nassington Road direction.

7. Playing Fields/Playground

- (a) The monthly playground report had been carried out by Cllr Jenner; two posts require replacement soon on entry into the toddler play area.
- (b) Cllr Blackmore updated on the adult exercise equipment. We are still awaiting the site visit to determine the final table tennis table requirements and hope to start the grant funding application when we have information from the Parish Plan questionnaire.
- (c) Cllr Hansford thanked Cllr Blackmore for his work securing the new playground sign and it was **PROPOSED** a second sign should be purchased for the Ashby's Drive entrance, this was **AGREED** by all.

8. Planning

- (a) NE/21/00614/TCA/– Tree works 40 Main Street – no objection.
- (b) NE/21/00587/FUL – works to 59 Main Street, replacement of windows and conservatory and door – no objection.
- (c) NE/21/00599/LBC – works to 7A Main Street, single storey rear extension – no objection.

9. Accounts

As at 30/04/2021 the bank balance stood at £34,580.97

- (a) Council **AGREED** the following payments:

Clerk Salary (March) (BACS)	£286.87
Extra 5 hours as per minute 10b 7/12/20	£66.20
RJC Countryside (grass cutting Church Yard)	£408.00
ScrewFix (allotment works)	£55.46
Cemetery Garden Waste removal	£55.00
Second playground sign	£42.00
Salix Payment (DD 3 rd May)	£385.10
Paul Blackmore (playground sign)	£32.00
Andrew Hansford (allotment water tap)	£16.12
Came Insurance renewal (if agreed at ACM)	£896.45

- (b) Council **NOTED** the below receipts.

Precept	£15,550.00
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10. Annual Memberships

It was **AGREED** by the Council to continue our membership with both NCALC and ICO.

11. Allotments

The new allotment tap has been installed, a good job was done and the project came in below the budget of £150. The brambles due to be cleared were postponed due to nesting birds at this time.

12. Coronavirus Act 2020

The Clerk **UPDATED** all meetings should now take place face to face. As of May 7th the legislation for virtual meetings being lawful expired. The 1972 Act should be adhered to.

13. Definitive Map

Cllr Neville had investigated and ascertained that two footpaths in the village needed to be added to the Definitive Map. The one between Main Street and The Paddocks and the one that runs behind the gardens of the houses on St Mary's Hill. The path between Main Street and Lindsey Close needed to be redesignated as a footpath only. A **PROPOSAL** on the June agenda would be required asking for the Parish Council's permission to adopt the status of the above three paths to footpath status.

14. Parish Plan

The Chairman has been collating and finalising the questions to be circulated to residents for a short questionnaire. These were discussed and it is hoped our D of E volunteers will help distribute and collate the information.

15. Correspondence:

- (a) The Internal Audit was completed earlier this month and the Council passed with flying colours.
- (b) A parking complaint was received from a resident regarding the parking of vehicles on Main Street where the road narrowed. The Parish Council has no authority or power to do anything on parking matters except speak to those concerned. This has been done and we were assured it was a short term measure due to building works. These vehicles are now being parked off road.
- (c) The Nene Valley Trail Event on 12th June will pass through Woodnewton.
- (d) The playground inspection has been booked for June
- (e) The Clerk had received a request for information pertaining to the Cemetery, all was in order.

16. Councillors' Opportunity to Update Colleagues:

Cllr Neville updated that she hoped we had another candidate to co-opt onto the Parish Council which would mean all seats were filled.

Cllr Hansford liaised with Mr Flack regarding acting as the allotment spokesperson. This offers a positive solution with the allotment holders and the Council having one person to co-ordinate and feedback through. The Council thanked Mr Flack for his help with this.

17. Woodnewton Newsletter

It was **AGREED** the next monthly newsletter would **AGAIN** encourage residents to park considerably as there continues to be some residents who repeatedly struggle with this.

18. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 7th June at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

19. Close of Meeting

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.35

Chairman's Signature.....

Date 7th June 2021

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