



WOODNEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 4th JULY 2022, Village Hall after the Annual Council Meeting – Expected 8.20PM

(DRAFT) MINUTES

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

1. Declarations of Interests from Councillors

None

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. Public Time

No members of the public attended.

4. Minutes of Meeting Held on 6th June 2022.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th June 2022, 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)

None.

6. Church Yard (Cllr Phythian)

A visitor visited graves at both the Cemetery and the Church Yard recently. Comments were made on the rewilding suggesting paths to actively visited graves should be cut. It was noted some of the trees needed pruning, within the church yard - this was agreed and is to be placed on the autumn village clean up job list. The visitor was also distressed to see that flowers and ornaments left on graves in the cemetery had been scattered and left displaced when the grass was cut. The clerk visited after the most recent cut to see this was still not the case. The contractor having been engaged for several years without complaint it was thought this was a one off or the contractor had maybe had holiday cover. Clerk to send current pictures to the visitor.

7. Speeding in and through the Village

Cllr. Blackmore updated. The speed camera facing Apethorpe was not charging correctly – the electrician has been asked to see if there is an issue with the charger before we go back to the camera providers. Cllr Swallow is still chasing the pole required from ENC Highways for the placement of the third camera.

8. Playing Fields/Playground

- (a) The annual external playground safety inspection report was carried out in June. The main points to note were the necessary replacement of the adventure trail post – this has already been ordered. The suspension on the buddy board was not good but this piece of equipment is being removed (no option of fixing and a new piece ordered) The base of the hedgehog rocker was coming loose, a loose screw - Cllr Blackmore to look and hopefully fix. There was also a note re the zip wire suggesting this should be dismantled and inspected annually but this is only a recommendation.
- (b) Cllr Blackmore has been chasing the contractor to commence the table tennis base installation as the new adult exercise equipment cannot be installed prior to this.
- (c) A copy of the allotment deeds has come to light and help has been offered to commence registration with the Land Registry – Richard Hegarty has kindly agreed to check the deeds with the clerk and help advise of the next steps.
- (d) Cllr Blackmore reported the new football nets had arrived and will soon be fitted.
- (e) Kurt Grunseid Donation - Cllr Blackmore has ordered the new seesaw chosen by the family and the custom made picnic bench 8-16 week lead time.

9. Planning

- (a) NE/21/01280/PNT - APPEAL Phase 8 phone mast. Further comments on the appeal statement are being collated by the PC, to be written up and submitted by the closing date of July 18th. These comments will be uploaded to the hub, posted in the parish council notice board, and accompany these minutes. It should be noted that the appeal for the Stanwick mast was refused, we are in a very similar position and hope this has set a precedence.
- (b) NE/22/00409/FUL – Permission Granted for addition of rear garden room and balcony – 17 Main Street Barns

10. Accounts

As at 30/06/2022 the bank balance stood at £35,621

To **AGREE** the following payments:

Clerk Salary (June)	£440.00
RJC (grass cutting)	£264.00
Broxap (football nets)	£94.80
Woodnewton Village Hall	£63.00
RoSPA	£142.80
NCALC	£526.07

11. Allotments

The bonfire has been added to – the bonfire site is now closed and no rubbish should be left here until re-opening later in the year.

12. Church Yard

Clerk – we are still waiting the planning decision on the horse chestnut tree works.

13. Ongoing

An agenda item to **CONSIDER** items that may be included on the agenda going forward and discussed as appropriate – it will be entitled rolling agenda items so they are not forgotten but may not always be discussed.

- (a) Village Information Boards – possibly rewilding areas to show the flowers?
- (b) Verges – flower/bulb planting ideas/maintenance
- (c) Dog waste bins - black bins may be used for dog waste, Cllr Hansford to investigate costings for a further two bins, one on the Nassington road near the hole in the hedge and one near the grit bin at Conegar, potentially.
- (d) Large poppies for the village 2022 i.e., lamp posts. – AGENDA item ongoing until purchased
- (e) Church Wall Survey

14. Correspondence

- (a) Contact has been made about the re-wilding project – covered in Agenda item 6.

15. Councillors' Opportunity to Update Colleagues

Cllr Neville updated that there had been a request for a bench, but this was outside the Parish line in agricultural land.

Cllr Blackmore noted there had been a PLR meeting, he was unable to attend, and the minutes had not yet been circulated.

Cllr Guttridge reported on the Kings Cliffe Liaison meeting with regards to the expansion of the local site and the rigorous consultation and regulation requirements. More details can be found on the website.

Cllr Hansford thanked Cllr Pythian for the rewilding notices she had produced and were visible around the village, giving further information on the project.

16. Woodnewton Newsletter

It was **AGREED** the next monthly newsletter would contain a note about the bonfire site being closed. There would also be a statement of reassurance that the village stance on the 5G mast has not changed and that PC were compiling further comments to submit to the appeal process.

17. Date of next Meeting

The date of the next meeting would be Monday August 22nd, 2022

18. Close of Meeting

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.00

Chairman's Signature.....

Date 22nd August 2022

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