



WOODNEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday 11th April 2023, Village Hall, 8PM

(DRAFT) MINUTES

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

1. Declarations of Interests from Councillors

None

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Goodall

3. Public Time

No members of the public attended.

4. Minutes of Meeting Held on 6th March 2023.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th March 2023, 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)

The first grass cut of the season has taken place in the church yard, Cllr Phythian is reaching out to contractors to work with them ensuring the rewilding areas are correctly designated and changes are implemented so that the modern graves have grass paths and are no longer left to fully rewild.

7. Speeding in and through the Village

Cllr Blackmore updated all cameras were fully functioning and collecting data, having given headline figures earlier in the APM.

8. Playing Fields/Playground

(a) The monthly playground report was carried out by Cllr Blackmore. It was noted some small remedial work was required which would be scheduled when the weather improved but there were no issues of note.

(b) Cllr Blackmore updated that the bench refurbishment and remedial works were to be scheduled when the weather improved.

- (c) Ongoing – registration of playing field ownership with Land Registry continues, paperwork shortly to be submitted to the LR, fingers crossed!

9. Planning

- (a) NE/23/001560/FUL/– 8 Pridmore Close – rear single storey extension, Permission Granted.

10. Accounts

As at 31/03/2023 the bank balance stood at £16,113.00

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

Clerk Salary (March) (BACS)	£480.64
NCALC Membership	£626.80
Npower Street Lights (Jan - Mar)	£194.39
Village Hall rental	£42.00

- (b) Council **NOTED** the following payments:

NNC Mowing Grant (2022)	£464.06
Cemetery	£348.00

11. Year End Accounts

Council **RECEIVED and AGREED** the year end income and expenditure as being a fit and proper record and **AGREED** the income and expenditure actual versus budget for 2022/2023. The Bank Account Reconciliation for the year was also **AGREED**. All have been fully checked by Cllr Guttridge (financial oversight) and all were signed by the Chairman.

12. Asset Register

With capital expenditure on the adult exercise equipment, table tennis table, the 4 person seesaw and new picnic table and benches being added to the asset register with the removal of the buddy board the updated asset register was **AGREED** by the Council, signed off by the Chairman.

13. Allotments

No update

14. Church Yard

No update

15. Coronation Plans

Cllr Hansford hopes to raise further donations for the Coronation Fruit Orchard please contact either himself or the clerk, woodnewtonpc@gmail.com. Details of the weekend were discussed with a further request for volunteers to help with some of the smaller jobs, hanging bunting, opening up the village hall etc. All will be publicised in the newsletter, the events, competitions and the picnic on the playing fields featuring JP and The Hat, the fruit themed Coronation cake bake competition and ofcourse the big help out day – The Coronation Fruit Orchard Project.

16. Ongoing:

An agenda item to **CONSIDER** items to 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
- (b) Planning Continuity and Awareness
- (c) EV chargers at the Village
- (d) Pertanque\boules pitch

17. Correspondence

- (a) Internal audit Tuesday 18th April
- (b) Heather Smith water sampling in the Willowbrook discussed earlier
- (c) Anglian Water notified of a closure on Main Street 22/05/23 for three days
- (d) Woodnewton History Group notified the PC about a deep well circa 87 feet outside the village in a field adjacent to Ashby's Drive, care should be taken around the area.

18. Councillors' Opportunity to Update Colleagues

No updates.

19. Woodnewton Newsletter

It was **AGREED** the next monthly newsletter feature would further publicise the Village Coronation Plans and encourage donations for the Coronation Village Fruit Orchard.

20. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th May 2023 at 8.00pm. The Annual Council Meeting followed by the regular monthly Parish Meeting.

21. Close of Meeting

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30

Chairman's Signature.....

Date 9th May 2023

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