

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Windmill Room, Wood Norton Village Hall, on Monday 30 June 2014 at 7.30.

Mrs. J. Marchant chaired the meeting with Councillors: M. Crowe, J. Johnson, P. Bell, T. Lidstone-Scott, R. Condon & R. Hunt.

Apologies were received from: PCSO Shane Artingsall and County Councillor Ramsbotham

Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

Minutes of the previous meeting and the Annual meeting were agreed and signed.

Matters Arising

From the Annual Parish Meeting – It was agreed not to pursue the gritting of Rectory Road as NCC Highways were against private gritting. However a discussion followed regarding the siting of a grit bin at junction of Rectory Road and Lyng Hall Lane. The Clerk will write to Mrs. Pearson to update her on progress and to get her feedback regarding a grit bin. Cllr Condon commented that the corner of Cromes Farm on Foulsham Road was also very slippery in icy weather. Cllr Johnson proposed seconded by Cllr Crowe that the Clerk investigates the cost of a grit bin. 6 for with 1 against. An item would also be placed in the Parish magazine.

From the Parish Council Meeting – Cllr Condon reported that she had taken the question of a telephone for the Village Hall to the Village hall Committee. A clause will be added to the booking form to say that the Hirer must provide a mobile phone whilst at the Village Hall. Cllr Condon had also asked the Village Hall Committee for their comments regarding the 'ThinkingWisp' project. The Committee felt this was something the Parish Council should investigate. Cllr Lidstone-Scott volunteered to get more information.

Planning Decisions for:

Change of use of agricultural land to garden (retrospective). Paddock View, Blacksmiths Close, Wood Norton. This has been given permission.

Finance

1. On the proposition of Cllr Lidstone –Scott, seconded by Cllr Crowe, the Annual Audit of Accounts from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 were approved. All in favour. The Clerk will email a copy of this Audit to all Councillors.
2. To approve Annual subscription to Norfolk RCC of £20. This was deferred to the next meeting. In the mean time, Cllr Johnson to contact users of the fuel scheme to assess its popularity.
3. The possible purchase of a defibrillator was discussed. Cllr Marchant had written to the Poors Allotment to see if funds would be available. The Trustees have said they would be willing to support this project in principle but the village would need to help with the cost through fund

raising. The ideal place to have the defibrillator would be at the Village Hall. Cllr Marchant will write to the Village Hall Committee to get their thoughts on this. The Clerk will contact Parish Clerks she knows at Blakeney and Swanton Novers to find out how their defibrillators were funded by the communities.

Village Sign

On the proposition of Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Crowe the Clerk contacts Mrs A. Wells to ask if she would be willing to repaint the Village sign. The Clerk will also get the seats cleaned and treated with linseed oil. All in favour.

Parish Website

Cllr Condon had asked if there is a group email available for Parishioners. Cllr Lidstone-Scott has done some investigations but will look further for a simpler version.

Correspondence:

Environment Agency – summary of proposed work.

Norfolk RCC – Signpost newsletter.

The Benjamin Foundation project requesting a copy of the Parish Plan. The Clerk will inform them that this is available on the Village web site.

NNDC – New Bylaw for Acupuncture etc.

Any Other Business

The Clerk requested some form of commemoration for the First World War Memorial situated in the church. Following a discussion it was proposed by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Condon that a wooden cross be purchased. The Clerk will also contact the interim vicar, the churchwardens and the person doing the flowers for that week. She will inform Councillors of progress. Some Councillors had received complaints about the level of noise following the recent Music Festival held at Sennowe Park. The Clerk will write to Breckland District Council.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Chairman

Date

The next meeting will be held on Monday 22 September 2014