



NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF MEETING OF NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 14 April 2010 AT 7.00 pm IN THE SCHOOL

Present: Cllr C Cavanagh
Cllr J Dadge
Cllr R Lord
Cllr R Robinson
Cllr T Sharp
Cllr M Sleet
Cllr L Steen
Cllr R Tindall *Chairman*

In attendance: One member of the public

Open Forum

No discussion took place.

933/10 Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Cllr B Spriggs.

934/10 New Parish Councillor

Cllr J Dadge was welcomed to the meeting and introduced to Parish Councillors.

He signed the declaration of office.

935/10 Declaration of Interest

Cllr Steen declared a personal interest in the matter for Clare Road and took part in the discussion.

936/10 Minutes of Meeting of the 10 March 2010

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

937/10 Matters Arising [for information]

918/10 901/10 Allotments

Cllr Lord said that a Working Group has prepared a schedule of items that the Parish Council would have to consider and action when a piece of land is identified. He said that he has approached several possible people without success.

Cllr Tindall

It was agreed that it may be necessary to look at a joint Village Approach to finding a piece of land. In the meanwhile Parish Councillors will continue to identify any possible pieces of land.

918/10 901/10 Finance

Payment has now been received in settlement of the Parish Council's claim.

A letter has been received today enclosing a revised invoice and rejecting the voluntary offer understanding by Parish Councillors for some of the work. A response will be prepared after consultation with Parish Councillors outside of the meeting.

Clerk

918/10 901/10 Children's Play Area

Parish
Councillors

Parish Councillors will continue to monitor the area.

918/10 901/10 882/10 Clare Road/Crowson Crescent

Peterborough City Council has been informed of the Parish Councils decision. The matter will be kept under review during the next growing season.

918/10 901/10 Clare Road

Cllr Lord said that the railing has now been erected and will approach Peterborough City Council whilst in the new financial year to find some funds to carry out the work as originally proposed. A meeting is to take place between him and Cllr Steen to discuss a further suggestion for dealing with the problem.

Cllrs Lord
and Steen

918/10 907/10 Dog Fouling

The Clerk was requested to contact Peterborough City Council about the possibility of providing some standard signs to erect around the Playing Field area in respect of banning dog fouling.

It was agreed to place a notice on the notice boards to drawing people's attention to the problem which is also to say that unless the situation improves arrangements will be made to ban dogs from the Playing Field.

Clerk

In respect of the problem with golf balls an area is to be identified for providing a golf area with netting.

923/10 Handyman

The person has been appointed and is commencing his duties in May 2010. Parish Councillors were requested to submit to the Chairman items of work that require to be carried out in the Village.

Parish
Councillors

938/10 Report from Working Groups

938/10.01 Finance

Cllr Robinson reported on the training session attended earlier in the day with PCALC on Year End Accounts. The Risk register will be updated to include some items mentioned during the session.

Cllr
Robinson

Cllr Tindall said that he has been approached regarding the increase in the precept for 2010 – 2011.

The Clerk said that the increase was due to the inclusion of a payment towards the Residents costs for closing the footpath at the rear of Clare Road and adjoining Church View and to fund some of the work under the Village Enhancement programme.

He said that there had been an error on the part of Peterborough City Council for the amount charged on the rate demand for 2009 – 2010. This resulted in a slightly lower charge being made during that year and has the effect when using the correct figures for 2010 – 2011 to slightly increase the percentage although the amount to be paid is correct.

938/10.02 Community Facilities

A programme of work to the Old Pond site is to be prepared.

Cllr Sleet

Some work required to be done in the Cemetery will be carried out by the Handyman.

Comments have been received on the prettiness of the daffodils which have been planted over the previous two years.

938/10.03 Planning and Countryside

One planning application has been received and considered.

The draft of the Peterborough Site Allocation DPD incorporates the eight responses submitted by the Parish Council. Cllr Dadge will draft a letter to continue the support and retention of the items in the final version of the document.

Cllr Dadge

938/10.04 Village Hall

Acre has informed the Management Committee that they consider the recent meeting was not correct and that people should be co-opted until their AGM in October 2010.

938/10.05 Neighbourhood Watch and Police Liaison

Cllr Cavanagh said that notices have been circulated regarding the forthcoming meetings on Speedwatch and Neighbourhood Watch.

Several parish Councillors said they would attend the meetings.

938/10.06 Village Fete

The arrangements are continuing for the event on the 12 September 2010. Insurance requirements are to be reviewed by the Organising Group.

939/10 Risk Register

The Register will be updated and presented at the next meeting.

Parish
Councillors

940/10 Planning

It was agreed that the Parish Council has no comments to make in respect of the application for:

Fell one Palm tree 5 Church Street [10/00353/CTR]

941/10 Finance

941/10.01 Payments

Payments to:

Mrs Baxter	Cleaning Playing field [March]	£ 40.00
23ccc	Website	£ 158.63
PCC	Landscape charges	£3,823.79
Viridor	Waste collection	£ 32.76
CPALC	Training course	£ 110.00

were approved for payment and the invoices initialled by the cheque signatories.

941/10.02 Receipts

There were no receipts to record.

942/10 Youth Council

The various meetings with other Parish Councils are being re-arranged.

Cllr Steen

943/10 Nine Bridges Safety Work

Cllr Tindall said that an objection to the scheme was registered with Peterborough City Council as soon as the Parish Council was informed that the work was due to start. The Parish Council had received no notification that work was being considered.

It is understood that the work, in addition to replacing the fencing, includes repair work to the undercroft. It is also understood that the work was driven by an adjoining Parish Council although the area is not in their Parish.

Some Residents are making an approach to have the area listed and included in the conservation area.

A letter of complaint has been sent to the Chief Executive of Peterborough City Council on the non consultation and a response is awaited.

944/10 Training

Cllr Lord said that he is looking at a training session on planning in conjunction with adjoining Parishes. Cllr Lord

Parish Councillors were urged to review courses for the remainder of the year. Parish Councillors

945/10 Village Enhancement Programme

Cllr Lord said that he has identified some pieces of furniture from the McDonalds restaurant and these will become available at the beginning of September 2010. Cllr Lord

It was agreed to commence the arrangements for the Christmas tree to be erected in December 2010. Cllr Sleet

Cllr Dadge will enquire as to progress on the revised Conservation Area proposals by Peterborough City Council. Cllr Dadge

946/01 Correspondence

Items have been referred to in the above Minutes.

947/10 Village Matters

947/10.01 Church Street

The various requirements proposed by the Parish Council have been accepted and included in the document which is now going to public consultation.

947/10.02 Paradise Lane

It was reported that the handrail at Paradise Lane has been stolen and the Clerk was requested to urge Peterborough City Council to provide a replacement. Clerk

947/10.03 Standing Orders

The Clerk was instructed to send a copy by email of the new standing Orders. Clerk

948/10 Date of Next Meeting

Parish Meeting Wednesday 12 May 2010 in the School at 6.45 pm
Annual General Meeting 12 May 2010 in the School at 7.15 pm
Parish Council Meeting 12 May 2010 in the School at 7.30 pm[or upon
the completion of the Annual General Meeting]

949/10 Exclusion of Public and Press

It was agreed that that Members of the public and press are excluded for
the following item in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to
Meetings) Act 1960 and LGA 1972 ss 100 and 102

95/10 Grant Application

An application has been received from the Village Hall Management
Committee for a grant towards the cost of installing a CCTV system.

It was agreed to hold the application in abeyance until such time as the Clerk
Management Committee has a full Committee membership.

Signed..... Date.....