



NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF MEETING OF NORTHBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 8 December 2010 AT 7.00 pm IN THE SCHOOL

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

Four members of the public ~ two members left at 7.15pm

Open Forum

It was reported that a member of the public with a dog has crossed the bridge at Paradise Lane which has been closed by Peterborough City Council on safety grounds.

It is understood that a large number of people have written to Peterborough City Council concerning the closure. The public were urged to continue writing.

The Christmas tree event was very well received by the Village.

1043/10 Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Cllr R Robinson and Cllr B Spriggs.

1044/10 Declaration of Interest

None

1045/10 Minutes of Meeting of the 10 November 2010

1027/10 ~ para 2 – insert line 1 ‘a’ between ‘complete’ and ‘report’.

1032/10 ~ para 2 – line 1 delete ‘allocation’ – insert ‘allocate’.

It was agreed to continue with the present system of numbering the pages as part of the typed copy of the Minutes.

The Minutes were agreed and signed with these amendments.

1046/10 Matters Arising [for information]

1027/10 1012/10 Village Hall

On account of a delay in obtaining the papers from the Bank this item will be dealt with at the meeting on the 12 January 2011. Clerk

1027/10 1012/10 Allotments

Cllr Tindall said that he has no further information to report. Cllr Tindall

1027/10 1012/10 Children's Play Area

Parish Councillors will continue to monitor the area. Parish Councillors

1027/10 1012/10 Handyman

The Handyman now has further jobs to be undertaken when weather conditions allow work to be undertaken. Parish Councillors

1027/10 1012/10 Play Equipment

Information has been received that seems to indicate that there is no insurance in place by Peterborough City Council in respect of theft or damage, only public liability. Clerk

They have been requested to provide a written confirmation of the insurance cover and to confirm that no cost will fall on the Parish Council if a claim is made for damage or theft.

The Clerk was requested to obtain a quotation for the cost of insurance cover for the equipment. Clerk

107/10 1012/10 Allotments

A meeting has been arranged to discuss the next stage in the process with Karen Kenny on the 31 January 2011. Parish Councillors

1027/10 1016/10 Bus Stop Seat

No further correspondence has been received and an order is being placed for the supply and installation of the seat. Clerk

1033/10.01 Standing Orders

The approved changes are being incorporated into the model document to make it specific for the Parish Council. Clerk

Copies will be distributed in January 2011.

The new format for presenting Matters Arising will be used for the meeting on the 12 January 2011. Clerk

1047/10 Report from Working Groups

1047/10.01 Finance

The Internal Auditor has undertaken his midyear inspection. Clerk

1047/10.02 Community Facilities

Arrangements are to be made to carry out a further cut to the Beech hedge. The Neighbour's request to allow the hedge to grow higher will be taken into consideration when determining the amount of cut

The Football Club are to be contacted to arrange a meeting to discuss various matters associated with use of the Playing Field. Clerk

1047/10.03 Planning and Countryside

Three planning applications have been received.

1047/10.06 Village Fete and Christmas Carols

The Village Fete Working Group will be starting to hold regular meetings commencing February 2011 to make arrangements for 2011.

Father Christmas, the Elf and everyone else involved with organising the Christmas Tree and Carols were thanked for their work.

1047/10.04 Village Hall

The Annual General Meeting has taken place and the new Chair is Linda Smith.

It was agreed to appoint Cllrs R Robinson and L Steen as the Parish Council representatives on the Management Committee.

1047/10.05 Neighbourhood Watch and Police Liaison

Arrangements are to be made to carry out a Speedwatch exercise on the Deeping St James Road, Lincoln Road and Church Street. Further names are being identified to help and training for them will be arranged in the New Year.

Cllr
Cavanagh

1048/10 Planning

Three applications have been received and were considered.

Replacement Garage in back garden 65 Lincoln Road [10/01577/FUL] – no objections were recorded.

Removal of 11 Leylandii, Removal of old Plum tree and removal of Ornamental Cherry tree [10/01615/CTR]. It was agreed that replacement trees be requested as part of the approval.

Clerk

Cllr R Tindall declared an interest in the following application, stayed in the meeting but took no part in the discussion or decisions.

Conversion of existing double garage and workshop to ancillary residential accommodation to existing dwelling 40 Lincoln Road [10/01339/FUL]

Clerk

The Parish Council notes that this is for the conversion of an existing building for which we cannot reasonably comment on the form or the positioning of this as a residential annex. The fact that there are no windows (other than high level velux windows) on the rear elevation means that there is no overlooking and it is therefore difficult to argue an adverse impact on the rear neighbours residential amenity.

There appears to be adequate space within the site to allow for the parking of vehicles and adequate amenity space for the occupiers of the existing house and the residential annex. We also note that the size of the approved conservatory at the rear of the existing dwelling is to be reduced via a separate application.

However the Parish Council consider that the annex, for the avoidance of doubt, should be occupied only in conjunction with the main house as part of the overall site and should not be capable of independent occupation without the consent of the Peterborough City Council.

1049/10 Finance**1049/10.01 Payments**

Payments to:

Mrs Baxter	Cleaning Playing field [November]	£ 40.00
Lentons Landscaping	Grass cutting contract [November]	£ 313.92
B Bloodworth	Handyman	£ 62.40
HMRC	PAYE deductions	£ 230.60
PWLB	Loan	£ 412.49
A Lowings	Notice board	£ 126.00
M Sleet	Plants	£ 24.82
B Bloodworth	Handyman	£ 62.40
R Robinson	Christmas Carols	£ 40.00

1049/10.02 Receipts

The following payments have been received:

Peterborough CC	Rates refund	£ 17.46
Watkins& Stafford	Funeral (Neal)	£ 100.00

1050/10 Nine Bridges

A meeting has been arranged with Peterborough City Council Officers for Monday 10 January 2011.

Cllrs Sharp
and Tindall

1051/10 Bridge Southern End of Paradise Lane

During a discussion on the problem a suggestion was made that the Parish Council obtains an independent Engineer's report on the condition and possible costs involved in undertaking repairs.

Adjacent Parish Councils are to be approached to obtain their support

Clerk

1052/10 Training

Parish Councillors will review the new training schedule and determine if there are any suitable for attending.

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1053/10 Village Enhancement Programme

A meeting of the Working Group is to be held on the 20 December 2010 to consider the remaining items on the schedule for 2010 – 2011 and to agree a timetable for the work to be undertaken.

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A review of projects for 2011 – 2012 will also be considered in readiness for the Budget 2011 – 2012.

1054/10 Correspondence

Various items of correspondence received have been dealt with under the various Agenda items.

1055/10 Community Care

A discussion took place on the difficulty of moving around the Village by the less able Residents, particularly during periods of inclement weather.

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It was agreed to draft a list of people who would appreciate some help in these conditions and of people who would be willing to provide assistance.

1056/10 Village Matters

1056/10.01 20mph Speed Limit

The consultation notice was considered and it was agreed to request that the limit is extended to cover the whole of Church Street.

Alternatively it is extended to cover the length of Church Street now subject to waiting restrictions.

1056/10.02 No Waiting Restrictions

Concern was recorded regarding the dangers associated with the new no waiting restrictions and the affect upon the safety of children being taken to or collected from School by Parents who park along the road in the limited designated area or are waiting for someone to move from the area.

It is considered that with the new no waiting restrictions vehicles are more likely to speed along the clear stretch of road.

The Clerk was requested to write to Peterborough City Council to request changes be made to the designated no waiting areas and to possibly link it with the proposed new 20mph speed limit.

1057/10 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 12 January 2011 in the School at 7.00 pm

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