

North Runcton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Meeting Place

Monday 17th April 2023 - 7.45pm

Present: Cllr K Fuller (Chaired the meeting), Cllr P Yallop, Cllr J Fuller, Cllr J Braybrook, Cllr L Gunn, Cllr K Williams, Cllr B Houchen

In attendance: The Clerk – Rachel Curtis, 4 members of the public

- 1. To accept any apologies** – Cllr R Morrish, Cllr S Palmer, County Cllr Moriarty, Borough Cllr Gidney
- 2. Declaration of Interest / Dispensation in items on the Agenda** - None
- 3. County and Borough Councillors Matters**
None attended the meeting, some reports had been sent prior to the meeting which were circulated to Councillors.
- 4. Public Participation –**
 - Ken Matthews attend the meeting and gave an update on PCC matters. The fabric of the Church is cause for concern with render and structural surveys on the tower and spire indicating work to be done due to wet rot. There are also issues with the roof, rainwater gear and top water drains. It has been decided to apply for funding to pay for all the necessary work to be completed in one go with an estimated costs of £600,000. An expression of interest has been lodged with the National Lottery Heritage Fund. The Flower Festival will not be held this year, instead an open gardens event is being planned and potentially a local art exhibition in the church. Two more gardens are needed to make the event sizable for people to turn out. The second coffee morning will be held in the church on 29th April and the following one held on 2nd June at Sam Fullers house, Cedar Grove.
 - A resident asked if the PC thought there was an issue with flooding in Common Lane, Councillors thought that the amount of water was normal for the time of year and it was due to high levels of rainfall.
- 5. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th March 2023**
The Council approved the minutes and the Chairman duly signed.
- 6. Clerks Report on any matters arising from the minutes of 14th March 2023 and subsequently any matters arising that have been actioned not on the agenda for this month's meeting**
Nothing to report.
- 7. To hear any reports from the SAM 2 sign**
Cllr Braybrook reported the fastest speed recorded for this report was 65mph. The Police have accepted that the village is suffering with a speeding problem and will make it a priority site will look a view to visiting with speed guns. It is felt there are enough volunteers to restart the speedwatch group – **ACTION:**
Clerk to enquire about training.
- 8. To report on VMP management matters**
 - The redecoration is complete. The globe lights on the beams need to be replaced.
- 9. North Runcton and Hardwick Common Volunteers Update**
 - A recent litter pick was successful and the Borough council has collected the bags.
- 10. Action Planning – to consider PC events/projects for 2022/23**
 - King's Coronation May 2023 – There have been around 60 responses to the Hog Roast event on 7th May. It will be free to residents with a small donation being asked for from non-residents. Cllr K Fuller will confirm the order with the butchers and write a list of other items to purchase. Cllr

Williams and the Clerk to help set up and Cllr Palmer will organise the broadcast of the concert. The ice cream van will come around 6pm.

11. Highways – the Council will discuss any Highways issues

There are bad potholes locally and the Clerk will continue to report. However, it is accepted that nationally the problem with repairing potholes is getting worse and the Norfolk County Council intervention criteria seems to now allow potholes to be larger before work is done on them.

The condition of the surface of the Green was discussed with regard to it being damaged with cars parking and turning in wet weather. It had been suggested that some matting could be used or hardcore the area to preserve it. However, Councillors felt that it is a seasonal problem and do not wish to proceed with any corrective measures at present.

12. Planning

a) Applications Considered

23/00479/F – single storey rear extension – 3 Manor Farm, PE33 0RF.

No observations on this application.

b) Comments

c) Decisions from the Borough Council

22/01973/F – 50 Common Lane, North Rington, PE33 0RE – construction of car port and storage shed – application permitted.

13. To hear any other planning issues relevant to the Neighbourhood plan

Some surveying has been done on Rectory Lane, thought to be investigation works for the relief road.

14. Correspondence – none received.

15. Finance

a) To hear an update on Cashbook balances - 1st – 31st March 2023

	Opening Balance 01/03/23	Less Chqs	Less DD's	Add income	Closing Balance 31/03/23
	£	£	£	£	£
NRPC Account	42,538.86	1,078.18	2.40	52.92	41,511.20
VMP Account	18,215.50	381.81	2,128.01	1,598.00	17,303.68
					58,814.88

The following amounts were approved for payment;

Date	Supplier	Description of Service	Amount on Invoice	VAT element - non recoverable
			£	£
<u>VMP Account</u>				
05/04/23	R Curtis	Clerks Salary 6 th Mar – 5 th Apr 23	171.73	0.00
10/03/23	Mr Brights	Mar – Apr 23	194.74	0.00
17/03/23	M&D		3,600.00	0.00
	Decorating		3,966.47	

NRPC

05/03/23	R Curtis	Clerks Salary 6 th Feb – 5 th Mar 23	655.68	0.00
			655.68	0.00

16. Public Participation – all members of the public welcome – 5 minute session

A resident reported there was a build up of fallen leaves in Old Hall Drive, which are now beginning to smell and have seedlings growing from them. ACTION: Clerk to report to NCC.

17. Items for future agenda

18. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 9th May, Annual Residents Meeting 16th May

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed 9th May 2023