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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on:

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021 commencing at 7.30PM. Meeting took place at Brampton Primary School.

Minutes taken by Sarah Stock, Clerk to the Parish Council

Apologies received and accepted from: Cllrs Richard Gent, Margaret Green & Jason Stather-Lodge.

Attendees: Cllr Jill Slinn (Chairman) Cllr William Shearer

Cllr Mick Macmain Cllr Robin Green
Cllr Stephen Crane Cllr Angharad Garner

2021/44 Declarations of interest - No declarations made regarding matters on the agenda.

**2021/45 Public Session -** No members of the public attending.

**2021/46 Minutes -** Council approved minutes from the ordinary meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Chairman signed the

minutes.

#### **Outstanding Issues/Updates**

- Defibrillator connection. Council continues to raise funds through "Collection Box" website.
- Village Traffic calming measures: Correspondence sent to Denise Hackett.
- Playing Field Football. Althorp estate expressed concern that the arrangement breeches terms of the lease and about lack of facilities. Clerk notified Upton Football Club that they will not be able to use the field. Item closed.

## 2021/47 Bank Reconciliation & YTD Budget vs Expenditure review

Council accepted the bank reconciliation and the budget analysis provided with the agenda.

Unity trust account stands at £29,528.78

Receipts. 5.7.20 £790.42 HMRC PAYE refund. Outstanding invoices: 001 £831.12 Mowing

002 £473.00 Litter Picking

#### 2021/48 Accounts for Payment & Receipts

The council approved the accounts for payment – all payments are inclusive of VAT

Clerk's Salary	Sarah Stock	July	28.7.21	£***
Litter Wardens	J Hawkins	July	28.7.21	£27.50
Litter Wardens	Z A Finney (Noah & Grace)	July	28.7.21	£55.00
Street Lighting	E-on Energy Solutions	106242	16.6.21	£155.81
Grass Cutting	PW Warden Environmental	6965	6.7.21	£816.00
Street Lighting	YU Energy	528377	2.7.21	£36.80
Street Lighting	YU Energy	528378	2.7.21	£17.67

#### 2021/49 Chapel Meeting Room restoration

Cllr WS liaising with Nigel Shields at Althorp. Nothing to report at this time.

Council resolved to dispose of items stored at the Chapel meeting room on 16<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm. Parishioners will be invited to take items for a small donation to the parish charity (first come, first served). Cllr AG to place a note in the newsletter and on FB.

Contact: The Clerk, 9 Lower Harlestone, Northamptonshire, NN7 4EW.

Clerk to contact Bill Rose regarding disposal of the wheelchairs and Zimmer frames. Council resolved to take unclaimed items to the Brixworth recycling centre.

#### 2021/50 Telephone Kiosk Bookshelves

NCS were due to complete renovations, but work is delayed because the NCS supervisor is unavailable. Council is grateful to Evonne Rose who has volunteered to act as librarian. Council noted that books will need sorting before restoration works can begin. Cllr AG to place note in the newsletter inviting parishioners to take books before they are cleared. Cllr RGn will source bookcase.

#### 2021/51 PCSO

Cllr MM expressed some frustration at the service provided by the PCSO in Chapel Brampton, although Cllr RG noted that service in Church Brampton is excellent and not in question. Council was reminded that, when consulted, residents in both Parishes were in favour of employing the PCSO.

The white lorry which parked in the entrance to the Primary Substation has been reported to WPD as it is a private property and not a police matter.

The council will review the commitment to funding the PCSO in September in line with development in the area.

Council resolved to request an Amenity Weight Limit enforcement action day, as per action taken jointly with Leicestershire.

Council noted that Cllr RGt, for personal reasons, is temporarily unable to act as the SPOC. The Council appreciate the dedicated work Cllr Gent has done in establishing the successful PCSO scheme. In the short term, Cllr RGn will liaise for Church Brampton and Cllr MM for Chapel Brampton. Clerk to notify PM & Sergeant.

#### 2021/52 Playing Field & Pocket Park

Playing Field: Council resolved to accept quote for supply and fitting a new 5-bar pedestrian gate with one new gate post to replace the existing gate and supply and fit 2 new timber posts and a 5-bar gate to the entrance to the field. All old fencing to be removed. The cost of this work will be £1423.20. This price is inclusive of VAT at 20%.

Playing Field: Play ship wheel to replaced 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Pocket Park: NCS have completed environmental works. Council is grateful for their hard work.

## 2021/53 Environment (verges/paths/trees)

Bench refurbishment: LGG have yet to begin this work. Council resolved to ask for a date commitment to commence works and will review allocation of the contract if necessary. Clerk to contact LGG.

Hedges: Council noted that hedges around the village have become overgrown and resolved to action as follows: Cllr RGn to liaise with Helen Howard, Highways regarding Hedge on 3 Tens Cottages - hedge obstructing footway. Clerk to write regarding hedge at 1 Great Close - hedge restricting visibility on to the junction. Clerk to write to Althorp regarding cottages on Harlestone Road and Welford Road – hedges obstructing footway Cllr WS to clear the hedge round the Water Board bench at Halfway Thorn

Council noted the aggregate dumped on verge adjacent to No. 43 Back Lane. Clerk to report to FMS.

Trees: Walnut Tree, Holdenby Road: Council resolved to accept quote from Maurice Fitch to trim low branches. Quote received for £90.

Footpath Consultation (received after publication of the agenda). WNC sent consultation regarding rerouting footpath CE19 from Welford Road across to Brampton Valley Way. The new footpath will follow the line of the existing road. No observations.

#### 2021/54 Planning Applications

No applications received.

**Decision notices** received since date of last meeting & pending

DA/2021/0194: The Cottage, Church Lane, Church Brampton. Replacement shed and surfacing. PENDING

DA/2021/0357: 14, Little Close, Chapel Brampton. Conservatory demolition, construction of extension. PENDING

DA/2021/0271: Brownstones, Chapel Brampton. Replacement garage. PENDING

DA/2021/0317: The Old Alms House, Church Brampton. Renovate hedgerow & erection of fences. APPROVED

WND/2021/0008: 4, Welford Road, Chapel Brampton. construction of en-suite shower. APPROVED DA/2021/0358: Land to rear of Breeze, Golf Lane. Construction of detached house. REFUSED

#### Correspondence

Email 30<sup>th</sup> June: James Hawkins. Concern raised regarding lorry parked on Harlestone Road. Clerk has forwarded concerns to the registered owner.

Council noted that a lorry has been seen parked in the electricity substation access. Cllr RGn will send report to Western Power.

# Next Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Meeting dates for 2021: October 21<sup>st</sup>, November 18<sup>th</sup>, No December meeting.

Meeting Closed 8.30pm