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 **NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th September 2024**

**Present:** ***Chair*** – Councillor M Morgan

***Councillors:*** - G Morgan, , D Harle, J Atkins, P Watson, V Greaves,

and D Hampton

***Parish Clerk*** – A McCardle

***Members of the public*** - 3

**DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS** There were none.

**The Chair welcomed our new Councillor Daniel Hampton.**

***The Chair suspended standing orders to allow members of the public to speak.***

A resident raised concerns over HGV from the building site in Askern using Campsall Balk at the time of children finishing school. This road has a 7.5T weight limit and they shouldn’t be using it.

The resident would send the Clerk photos of the vehicles, and she would contact the Company involved.

A resident raised concerns regarding the land at the end of Norton Common Lane. A brick building on the land breeches planning and should have been demolished. They had tried to contact the Planning Department without success.

A resident raised concerns regarding travellers at The Grange and the size of a new static caravan that has arrived at the site.

A resident raised concerns about speeding on High Street, Station Road and Westend Road. A number of possible measures were discussed such as calming islands, speed bumps, and the Councillors will be following this up.

***The Chair reinstated standing orders, and the meeting continued.***

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES** for absence were received and accepted from Cllr B McLaughlin, A Drayton and Cllr L Shearman.

**ITEM 2** MINUTES of the previous meetings held Tuesday 9th July and Tuesday 13th August were proposed as a true record and all agreed. The Chair signed the minutes.

**July** proposed by Cllr G Morgan seconded by Cllr Watson.

**August** proposed by Cllr D Harle, seconded by Cllr G Morgan.

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**ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING (Not on the Agenda)**

Swing at the Park, the Clerk had received a quote for a swing. Discussions were held and it was agreed that something more appropriate for all abilities would be sought by the Clerk.

Signage and dogs in the Park. The Clerk had contacted the dog wardens who confirmed that dogs were allowed off lead in the Park, providing they were not near the water or on the paths surrounding the water. **Resolved**

**ITEM 4 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. **Police Issues:**

Same issues regarding speeding (see also residents concerns). The PCSO had not been seen around in some time. Discussions were held regarding training members of the public to train to monitor the traffic.

1. **Highway/Environmental Matters**
2. 20mph speed limits. The Clerk reported that no reply had been received to the response sent to Becci Mudd on 14th August. The Clerk would chase this urgently.
3. The Old Bells Campsall – An email had been received from a resident with concerns over the activities and noise etc. from the guests staying at The Old Bells. The Clerk had emailed the resident to acknowledge her concerns. Various other parties were copied in and CoDC appeared to be taking some action to try to resolve issues. The Clerk would monitor the situation and assist where/when possible.
4. Bin at Ryecroft, discussions were held, and it was agreed that a new bin was not required.
5. Seating at Campsall Corner. The benches within the wall are broken, Cllr Harle and Cllr Watson would review and see what could be done.
6. **Development Plan Priorities – 2024/25:**

Installation of speeds signs is now complete, and it is time to look ahead to the next financial year. Discussions were held in regard to helping the Playgroup in some way.

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1. **Garden of Rest:**

The claim is still in progress with DWF Claims, further information that was requested has been sent to them by the Clerk.

1. **Community Buses:**

No further details, this is now in the hand of the Mayor whilst routes are clarified. To remain on agenda.

1. **Parish Councillor Vacancies:**

Further to correspondence received from Mr A Wakelin, the Councillors voted to co-opt Mr Wakelin on to the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr M Morgan, seconded by Cllr Harle and all agreed. The Clerk would ensure the relevant paperwork was completed.

1. **Football Pitches**

Several queries have been received by the Clerk requesting to use the facilities. The Clerk would coordinate with Joy Coleman, Caretaker.

1. **Allotments**

Back Lane allotments are all now full, all current tenants are committed to keeping the allotments tended and looking good.

A complaint has been received from a resident whose property backs on to the allotments at Spittlebrush Lane. Lids are being left off water butts creating a haven for midges. The Clerk would write to all allotment holders informing them that water butts must have lids on.

1. **Access to Campsall Park/Larger gate at Campsall Park Rd**

It was suggested that one of the gates be removed, creating an easier access for mobility scooters.

1. **Poppy Wreaths Remembrance Sunday**

Preparations are underway for Remembrance Sunday. The Clerk provided a cheque in the sum of £60 for the wreaths.

1. **Lunch Club/Marquees**

The 4A trust, a charity set up by Cllr Atkins many years ago is to be wound up. It was discussed that the Marquees be put in trust to the Parish Council. Cllr Atkins wished to express his thanks to Jill Shaw who has done a tremendous job over the years

**ITEM 5 PLANNING MATTERS**

 26/00015/REF Appeal - Land South East of Norton Common Lane

 A letter has been prepared to send regarding the appeal via the portal.

There were no further planning applications to consider.

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**ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter in application from Adam Wakelin to join the Parish Council.
2. Letter in application from Mr Mooney to join the Parish Council.
3. Email from Mr Clamp. The Clerk is liaising with Mr Clamp and CoDC regarding the change of level in the road surface near his property.
4. Email from Jenny Cousins who attended last months meeting, thanking the Parish Council for any input regarding the road near their property.
5. Correspondence/Calls from several people requesting to use the football facilities, see previous under Football Pitches.

**ITEM 7 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts for payment.

64 Royal British Legion Chq 203976 60.00

65 Keys Cut Allotments (AMcC) Bank Trans 14.00

66 CoDC Grounds 30143491 Bank Trans 3,825.62

67 Alison McCardle Salary Aug Bank Trans 1,122.53

68 Joy Coleman Salary Aug Bank Trans 686.40

69 YPO Cleaning materials Bank Trans 42.48

70 Padlocks for speed signs Bank Trans 7.95

**Total for the month of August 2024 £5,758.98**

Payment of the accounts for August were proposed by Cllr Harle and seconded by Cllr G Morgan and all agreed.

**ITEM 8 INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

The Clerk informed the Councillors that the Standing Orders required updating and she would arrange to get copies printed for all for the next meeting. These would then require uploading to the website and lodging with CoDC which she would also attend to once completed.

The Clerk would inform the PWLB of the new email address.

There being no further business The Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

**Signed..............................................(Chair)**

**Dated.....................................**