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 **NORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th October 2024**

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

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

A Drayton, L Shearman, A Wakelin and D Hampton

***Parish Clerk*** – A McCardle

***Members of the public*** - 0

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

**The Chair welcomed our new Councillor Adam Wakelin followed by brief introductions.**

**The Chair expressed his regret at the resignation from the Parish Council of Cllr Brenda McLaughlin, who has been an incredible asset, particularly for all her efforts organising the Gala. We all wish her well.**

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES** there were no apologies for absence, all present.

**ITEM 2 MINUTES** of the previous meetings held Tuesday 9th September 2024 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. G Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Harle and all agreed.

**ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING (Not on the Agenda)** The Clerk reported that residents’ concerns raised at the September meeting regarding HGV’s using the route past the school had been resolved after she spoke with the Co. concerned.

**ITEM 4 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. **Police Issues:**

Further broken windows at the Ryecroft Building have been reported on Crime Ref. No. 14/166607/24. As this incident took place shortly after the September meeting, the Councillors made an emergency decision to fit grills on all windows, whilst these await installation all remaining undamaged windows were also boarded up in order to prevent further damage.

Stone has been disappearing (stolen)? from the village planter. Discussions took place for alternatives to be installed in due course.

*Cllr Hampton joined the meeting 19:14*

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1. **Highway/Environmental Matters**
2. 20mph speed limits. A standard response was received to our objection. This is not acceptable. Discussions were held regarding CoDC lack of attention to our concerns. It is understood CoDC are overwhelmed with objections. We await developments.
3. The Old Bells Campsall – The Clerk would contact the initial complainant and see if issues have been resolved.
4. Seating at Campsall Corner. The benches within the wall are broken, Cllr Harle and Cllr Watson are looking at solutions to mend these.
5. **Development Plan Priorities – 2024/25:**

It was agreed that the new flashing speed signs are a great success.

Looking forward, The Chair produced a list of potential projects for the coming year, and it was decided that amongst the projects discussed the grassed area off Norton Common Road should be prioritised for some type of improvement works. Also, a new rope type swing for the park in Norton. It is also intended to assist the Norton Playgroup, and it is understood that Bank Accounts are being organised to assist with grant funding.

The owners of the School Boy Pub have offered to pay 50% towards the cost of CCTV.

Relationships with the Police, the Clerk would try and organise a meeting with the road traffic team to discuss traffic calming methods.

Norton GALA, it was agreed a sub-committee be formed to co-ordinate the event. Suggested members are Cllr M Morgan, Cllr G Morgan, Cllr V Shearman, Cllr A Drayton, Cllr D Hampton, Cllr A Wakelin and the Clerk would assist with co-ordination.

Also considered was arranging a Park Run in Campsall Park. Cllr Harle would discuss with a contact at the running club.

1. **Garden of Rest:**

The claim is still in progress with DWF Claims. The Clerk would contact Neil Nash, the gardener for further information.

1. **Community Buses:**

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

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1. **Parish Councillor Vacancies/Resignation of Cllr McLaughlin**

Further to the resignation of Cllr McLaughlin 2 vacancies still remain on the Parish council.

1. **Football Pitches**

Moles have been reported to Pest Control at CoDC by the Clerk.

1. **Allotments**

There are still a couple of issues with allotments not being tended at the Spittlerush Lane site. The Clerk would contact the tenants of these allotments.

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

Despite a larger gateway being made, it is still not big enough for some larger mobility scooters. Noticeboards have also been removed from the Park, the Clerk will try and ascertain why.

1. **Poppy Wreaths Remembrance Sunday**

The Parish Council thank Chris Bennett for the very kind donation of £200 towards poppies for the lampposts. Gill will organise these and the Parish council will also contribute to enable a good distribution throughout the villages.

1. **New Declaration Forms/Standing Orders**

The Clerk handed new forms to all Councillors and requested their return at the November meeting.

**ITEM 5 PLANNING MATTERS**

**24/01663/FUL** Police House, Bone Lane, Campsall

Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of new rear and side extensions. ***No comments***

**24/01797/COND** Hill House, High Street, Campsall – ***No comments***

**24/01721/FUL** West Lodge, Sutton Road, Campsall

Erection of ground floor rear and side extension and detached garage. Removal of trees. – ***No objections other than the Tree Officer and the usual conditions of materials in keeping with the area.***

**ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE**

1. AGAR Conclusion of Audit
2. Crime No for windows 14/166607/24
3. Email from Jill Readman re scout hut

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1. Thank you, card from Mr Crosby for helping him get a ramp for his mobility scooter.

**ITEM 7 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts for payment.

70 CoDC Bins 30198839 Bank Trans 195.00

71 CoDC Bins 30249616 Bank Trans 195.00

72 Alison McCardle Salary Aug Bank Trans 1,122.53

73 Joy Coleman Salary Sept Bank Trans 603.20

74 CoDC Cleansing 30249624 Bank Trans 48.20

75 PKF Littlejohn Bank Trans 378.00

76 Water Services Direct Debit 44.61

**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 Watson and all agreed.

**ITEM 8 INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

Concerns were raised over dogs running off lead through the children’s play area in Campsall Park. A picket fence excluding dogs from the area would be advantageous. The Clerk would look into this.

Closing date for the Parish Magazine is Friday 1st November.

Lindsay – Quiz

Alison – Clerks report

Christmas Trees as last year 3 trees.

There being no further business The Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

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

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