

NASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES - NASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 15th September 2021 at 7.30 pm. Nassington Village Hall

21/1916 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The meeting had been held over from the previous week due to illness.

Present: Cllr Alan Burns, Cllr Rebecca Downey, Cllr Robert Peterson (Chairman) Absent: Cllr Paul Monks Officer present: The clerk. A member of the public present.

The council received notice that Susie Tinsley has resigned from the council.

21/1917 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Burns declared an interest in the planning application pertaining to his property

21/1918 MINUTES OF THE MEETING(S) HELD IN APRIL AND MAY 2021 as previously circulated.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the April and May parish council meetings. The chairman signed the minutes.

21/1919 QUESTIONS OR ADDRESS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

There was a discussion with the member of the public present regarding the vacancies on the council with a view to them becoming co-opted onto the council at the next meeting in October.

21/1920 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The neighbourhood plan drop in sessions the previous week had been attended steadily. A comment had been received from someone regarding inaccessibility to the Saturday session in the afternoon (the advertised time was 10am)

21/1921 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

- a) NE/21/01177/TCA/ | Very hard reduction of dying Walnut tree, 20 Church Street – There were no objections
- b) NE/21/01030/TCA/ | T1. Lime tree reduce crown at front by 2 meters; G1. Lime trees reduce crown at front to 2.5 meters | Fulbrook Farm – There were no objections
- c) Black Horse – There was no update to the council's knowledge of situation, insofar as the premises was on the market for sale. The previous Asset of Community (ACV) status had fallen away, as it had been five years since it was previously allocated that status. The council has applied for the ACV status to be reinstated. In response to the parish council's invitation to receive public comment about the sale of the pub, there had not been any support for anything other than it remaining as a pub.

21/1922 COMMUNITY MATTERS / PROJECTS:

- There was an update following the first meeting of the Jubilee 2022 project steering committee. The event will proceed on Saturday June 4th with a similar but not same format to previous whole village events. There will be organised games, fireworks, caterers and possibly mobile bars invited.
- Christmas 2021 – the intention is to have a Christmas tree on the green again. Clerk to contact relevant parties
- The outdoor gym at the playing field is deemed successful, with evidence that it is being used a great deal. It was acknowledged that the previous overgrown state of that part of the field means that it will be some time until the area is completely free of nettles and other weeds, but herbicide treatments will continue as necessary.
- The community led pocket parks project is proceeding well. Production of the new picnic bench has been delayed because of supply chain delays, but is expected imminently. Richard Berry form RHAB fencing contractors in Yarwell is kindly installing post and rail fencing free of charge, on the understanding that the parish council will cover the cost of the post-crete mix. It was **RESOLVED** to approve this expenditure as it is unlikely to be a large amount
- Problems still seem to be occurring at NM27 and NM6 footpaths. Footpath maps will be made available via the community website.

21/1923 GOVERNANCE MATTERS:

- Bank signatories will be agrees when there are more councillors.
- It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the new North Northamptonshire Council code of conduct
- The report form the internal auditor had been circulated in advance of the meeting and noted. The clerk explained that there had been some queries raised by the external auditor regarding a transposed figure in the papers submitted and the fact that the council had not reviewed risks within the appropriate time frame, but the external audit report had not yet been received.

21/1924 ALLOTMENTS:

The allotment inspection would proceed on the weekend of 25/26th September.

21/1925 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following accounts for payment:

Goods/Service	Payee	Nett	Gross
Grass cutting	Plough July	470.00	970.00
	Plough Aug	500.00	
Membership (35%)	SLCC		81.90
HMRC	PAYE		511.50
AMT	footpath	5,406.00	6,487.20
Salary	Sarah Rodger		590.52
Pension	Nest		99.61

21/1926 OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS, NOTICES OR REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE / REPRESENTATIONS OF NOTE:

Members would continue to encourage people to consider becoming new councillors

21/1927 NEWSLETTER / SOCIAL MEDIA / COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS.

The following was instructed: An article would be written in the strongest way to encourage people to consider joining the parish council warning of the consequences of not having a parish council; a save the date/consider your fundraising for the 2022 jubilee party; ask people what projects they would like to see going forward; Neighbourhood Development Plan – thank you for coming to the consultation.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 13TH OCTOBER 2021

Approved by Nassington Parish Council:

Signature of Chairman		Date:
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