

KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 DECEMBER 2022 AT 1930 HOURS

PRESENT R FEGAN (CHAIR), R BATTY, D SURGEY, D BEARD & T WILDGUST.

IN ATTENDANCE K HALL (CLERK)

NUMBER	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/DECISION	ACTION POINTS
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr H Atherton and Cllr N Batty	
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	None	
3	TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	The minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on 01 November 2022 were agreed by all and signed off by the Chair.	PDF of November minutes sent to Cllr Surgey for inclusion on website 29 Dec.
4	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	None.	
5	COUNCILLOR ACTION POINTS FROM NOVEMBER MEETING		
5.1	PARKING SIGNS AT KIRTON COURT.	These public parking signs, delineating private and public parking close to the new build bungalow on the former car park have now been installed.	
5.2	FOOTPATH IN FRONT OF 21-26 KIRTON PARK.	Following on from the request by a resident of Kirton Park regarding the ownership of the path in front of these homes, the Clerk contacted both HM Land Registry and the Highways Department at Nottinghamshire County Council. The outcome of this investigation is that the path is actually built on unregistered land and is therefore not the responsibility of NCC. Letters have been sent to the residents that this matter affects and copies are attached to these minutes.	

6	THE PINFOLD	<p>It has long been an objective of the Parish Council to see the Pinfold restored. The Pinfold is listed as a Historic asset for the village but in the years since it was cleared for the “best kept village” competition has become overgrown and neglected.</p> <p>In November Cllrs N Batty and T Wildgust with the Clerk met Jason Morden, Senior Conservator for Historic Buildings for NCC at the site of the Pinfold. Much of the overgrown vegetation had been cleared so that it was now possible to see the scope of the work required.</p> <p>The Parish Council would like to thank Mr Philip Hoggard for lending some machinery to help with this work and for taking away the vegetation to be destroyed.</p> <p>The rear non historic wall of the Pinfold is in a very poor state of repair and needs to be totally replaced. Fortunately Cllrs N Batty and T Wildgust met with the Manager from Forterra and they have kindly agreed to supply all the modern bricks we require for this piece of work.</p> <p>Mr Jordan has also kindly agreed to supply any concrete required for footings etc during this renovation and the Parish Council are extremely grateful for these offers of assistance.</p> <p>Cllr Surgey has been in discussion with Jamie Thornton of Trent Heritage who have offered assistance and he will be invited to the next Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>The next objective is to start looking at funding streams for this initiative and firstly we need to find out the cost of the Ancaster stone that will be required to completely rebuild the front wall of the Pinfold and repair the damaged ends of the side walls, these side walls are in a pretty decent state of repair but will need to be repointed in the traditional manner.</p> <p>In order to obtain most types of funding we will need to demonstrate the benefit of the project to the heritage of the village and the involvement of local groups and residents and we will be setting up a section on the Parish Council Facebook page so that residents can get involved.</p>	<p>Cllr Surgey to invite Jamie Thornton to next meeting on 07 Feb 2023.</p> <p>Clerk emailed Jason Morden for possible costings of Ancaster Stone 29 December.</p>
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7.	PRECEPT SETTING 2023/24	<p>The Parish Council are extremely conscious of the current cost of living squeeze on households.</p> <p>They also have to consider that the cost of running the Parish has increased exponentially especially the cost of fuel for the mowers which are vital to keep the village up to the high standard that is currently maintained.</p> <p>The Clerks wages will need to be increased in the coming year and the Parish Council is also conscious that some funds need to be put aside for depreciation of Council equipment and replacement when necessary.</p> <p>Cllr Fegan as Chair suggested an increase of 5% on the current precept of £7500 and this was agreed by all present.</p> <p>This amount is well below the recommended National guidance of a 10 to 15% increase.</p>	Clerk completed request for new precept amount and emailed to NSDC on 30 December 2022.																				
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9.	CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF AGENDA	<p>None.</p> <p>However the Parish Council would like to pass on thanks to Councillors as follows.</p> <p>Nicola and Richard Batty, Tim Wildgust ,Heather Atherton and the Clerk for helping with the erection of the Christmas tree.</p> <p>Richard Batty for putting up the new dog bag bins.</p> <p>Reg Fegan, Heather Atherton, Nicola and Richard Batty for all their hard work clearing the Pinfold before the initial visit from NCC.</p>																					
10.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 07 February 2023 at the canteen Forterra Brickworks.																					

11	MEETING CLOSED	The meeting closed at 2040 hours.	
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Minutes prepared by Kate Hall, Clerk to Kirton Parish Council 30 December 2022.