

Misson Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 1st September 2021 at Misson Community Centre.

Public Questions: A member of the public raised concerns about vehicles speeding through Misson village. The Parish Council agreed to refer the matter to the Beat Police Officer for advice. Questions raised about provision of parking in Bawtry and access for disabled people in Misson church were answered with advice to refer to Bawtry Town Council and Misson Parochial Parish Council respectively.

Present: Chair Mandy Walker, Vice Chair Andy Woolliams, Cllrs. Julie Watkins, Jamie Sutherton, Mark Watson, Sue Smith and Clerk Barbara Lowndes.

1. **To receive apologies for absence:** none received.
2. **To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:**
Chair M Walker – disclosed a Non-Pecuniary Interest – as a Trustee of the Misson Park and Playground Project.

Cllr A Woolliams disclosed a Non-Pecuniary Interest – as a Governor of Misson School

Cllr J Watkins disclosed a Non-Pecuniary Interest – as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership.

Cllr J Sutherton disclosed a Non-Pecuniary Interest – as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership.

Cllr M Watson disclosed a Non-Pecuniary Interest – District Councillor for Bassetlaw District Council

3. **To approve the co-option of a Parish Councillor** – Chair M Walker proposed the co-option of Matthew Curtis. This was Seconded by Cllr J Watkins. This was unanimously agreed.
4. **To approve the minutes of the Council meeting of June 23rd 2021.** These were approved unanimously and subsequently signed by the Chair.
5. **To note matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not on the agenda:**

Regarding volunteers for the (MCA) Building Committee. No volunteer has been identified.

Regarding rebuilding the church wall: Clerk has emailed church architect and Diocese with progress update. Work completed.

Regarding Slaynes Lane – Cllr Watkins has made contact with Hanson Quarries regarding the cutting back of verges.

Regarding the Ramblers' Association application to create additional public rights of way – Parish Clerk has responded, explaining that the PC has no further information to add.

6. **To receive reports from District and County Councillors**

- **D Cllr. M. Watson** – Covid-19 incidence is increasing. 10 new cases (125.8/100 000) in the Ranskill/Everton/Gringley area, higher than the national average. No deaths have been reported. There are 49 inpatients in Doncaster/Bassetlaw hospitals. Vaccines: 79.4% of adults fully vaccinated, 82% have received a single dose.

The Bassetlaw Local Plan has been published in draft. Public consultation runs until 14 October. Proposals include development of Harworth/Bircotes as the district's third large town alongside Worksop and Retford. Also proposed is the development of a garden village. It was suggested that the Facebook page "For All The Misson Family" could help raise awareness with parishioners about the consultation. **Action: Clerk to publicise consultation.**

- **C Cllr T Taylor** – A cross party review of highways is taking place.

The Local Improvement Scheme is also being reviewed and a paper will be sent to committee in September/October with a view to its relaunch. This will create flexibility in dealing with applications for funding for both large and small community projects. It will be open to any local groups to apply.

Devolution has been discussed; this refers to a possible regional collaboration of councils (Nottingham City, Nottinghamshire County, Derby City, Derbyshire County), potential benefits including becoming better able to draw down government funding for the wider region. Nottinghamshire is one of the poorest funded areas nationally per capita.

Public Rights of Way (PROW) maps have been circulated. A nominated contact at NCC can assist with any PROW issues.

The proposed new garden village will be factored into place planning for school places, which includes availability in the wider area, for the local authority to meet its responsibilities.

C Cllr Taylor attended the planning meeting on 27 July to speak against the applications made by IGas to extend the lease on the site at Misson Springs and maintain the boreholes. The assertion that delay was caused by a government moratorium was countered by the argument that the decision should be based on the current situation. C Cllr Taylor thanked local groups such as Notts Wildlife Trust, Frack Free Misson and Misson Parish Council for also attending to speak against the proposals. The planning committee voted against the application, with one abstention and none in favour, despite the planning officer's recommendation that the applications be granted.

7. **To receive a report from Misson Community Association** – The 'Time to Party' event was well attended on the village green in July. The village show and scarecrow festival is to take place on 4-5 September.

The Community Centre is back in full operation, with Covid-secure recommendations.

Re-wilding planting has taken place on the area outside the Community Centre.

Chair M Walker said the Parish Council received courtesy notice that the MCA chair Ann Beacham had resigned. Amanda Hannigan (formally Vice-Chair) is now the chair of the MCA.

8. **To receive a report on the policing of the Parish:** reported crimes in Misson are as follows:

June – burglary (1); theft from vehicle (2) criminal damage to vehicle (3).

July – burglary dwelling (1)

August – theft (1)

The full reports include security advice applicable to everybody and are available on the MPC website.

9. **To consider parish emergency plans, including flood response and resilience stores:** D Cllr

Watson explained that the initiative came out of the flood response plan and that some villages have plans already in place. Much of it was common sense, e.g., sandbag provision. A suitable storage location would need to be found. The council resolved to establish a small working group comprised of Cllrs Sutherland, Walker and Woolliams and three residents of the parish, in order to formulate a draft plan for Misson.

Actions: Parish Clerk to contact Gibdyke Farm to discuss possible location for resilience store. Chair to utilise November Community Newsletter and Facebook page "For All The Misson Family" to publicise and seek volunteers.

10. **To consider refresh of Notts County Council agreement on use of school playing field:** When Misson Park and Playground Project commenced, it was understood that Notts County Council had agreed permission that the playing field at Misson primary school could be used recreationally by the community. Documents dating back to 1974 and 1976 respectively set out an agreement between Notts CC and Misson Parish Council. It was unknown whether anything had happened in the intervening decades to nullify that agreement or change the terms. After discussion, the council resolved to seek ratification of the agreement with Notts CC. Subsequently, the Parish Council will consider whether any conditions are acceptable. Proposed by Chair M Walker, seconded Cllr Smith. **Action: Parish Clerk to contact Notts CC legal department to clarify the position.**

11. **To discuss planning for HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022:** An extended Bank Holiday from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June 2022 will give the opportunity for communities across the United Kingdom to undertake some common activities in celebration of Our Sovereign's 70 years as Monarch. These include the following items which were discussed by the Parish Council.
Lighting of beacons: it was agreed it would be appropriate for the Town Estates Committee to manage this aspect.
Town Crier: it was suggested and agreed that Misson Church led by Rev. Becky Hancock, would be pleased to manage this aspect.
Street parties: it was agreed to first consult Misson Community Association to ask what they would like to arrange before making any further MPC plans. **Action: Chair will write: Town Estate Charity to be asked to fund selection and purchase of a re-usable Beacon, Misson Parish Church to be asked to manage the Town Crier proclamation, Misson Community Association to be asked what they would like to do in terms of a community event. Evaluation of responses to be included on the October MPC agenda.**
12. **To consider bankside management of River Lane** – discussion of what is needed to manage and mitigate damage to the riverbank on River Lane. MPC has assumed management of this section of the river Idle riverbank, which has suffered erosion and degradation from various causes. Advice or planning on restoration was premature without title to the land. The council resolved to pursue an interest in acquiring ownership. **Action: Parish Clerk to check with the Land Registry to clarify MPC interest in in acquiring title; and to set out what steps might be taken to achieve this.**

13. Parish Financial administration

To receive and approve:

- The Clerk presented the Financial Statements to 30 August 2021 and Council resolved to accept them:

NatWest Current Acc.	@ 31/08/21	£5,789.05
NatWest Reserve Acc.	@ 31/08/21	£10,564.79

- Councillors resolved to approve the following payments:

2/7/21	Clerk - TEC - June	31	113.00
2/7/21	HMRC - PAYE -June	32	108.60
2/7/21	Clerk - MPC - June	33	464.40
2/7/21	E Jordan - Lengthsman - June	34	122.81
2/7/21	M Hooper - Travel exps	35	27.00
2/7/21	Mark Stafford - Restoration of Churchyard Wall	36	4,740.00
10/7/21	M GUEST - Lengthsman - June	37	60.50
10/7/21	Torne Valley - Statement	38	78.09
13/7/21	M GUEST - Reimbursement re grass cutting NB - amount should have been £50 - adjustment made to 047	39	60.00
16/7/21	Notts ALC - new PC training	40	30.00
27/7/21	J Watkins - Reimbursement re Lawn Mower repair	41	142.99
5/8/21	Axholme Pest Control	42	144.00
5/8/21	Clerk - TEC - July	43	113.00
5/8/21	HMRC - PAYE -July	44	98.80
5/8/21	Clerk - MPC - July	45	290.80

5/8/21	Mark Hooper - MPC Finance - July	46	135.70
5/8/21	M GUEST - Lengthsman - July - amount reduced by £10 re payment 039	47	105.50
6/8/21	EAGL-S - Gary Thornton - Newsletter printing	48	72.00
2/9/21	Clerk - TEC - August	49	113.00
2/9/21	HMRC - PAYE - August	50	87.80
2/9/21	Clerk - MPC - August	51	290.60
2/9/21	Mark Hooper - MPC Finance - August	52	90.40
2/9/21	Bassetlaw District Council - Wheelie Bin charge	53	162.24
2/9/21	D Fox - grass maintenance June - August	54	930.00
2/9/21	M GUEST - Lengthsman - August	55	129.25
	Total		8,710.48

14. Planning –

a. To note planning decisions:

21/00549/CAT Works to a Trees in a Conservation Area - Woodbine Lodge High Street Misson

Decision – not to make a tree preservation order

21/00361/FUL Demolish Existing Farmhouse and Erect a Detached Two Storey Dwelling - Morton Villa Farm Springs Road Misson. **Decision – refused**

19/01640/RES Reserved Matters Application for One Dwelling (Plot Three) Seeking Approval for Appearance, Site Layout, Landscaping, Scale and Access. - Plot 3 Land to The North East Of Gibdyke Misson **Decision – granted.**

1/21/00157/CDM Vary Condition 6 of planning permission 1/15/01034/CDM to extend the life of the groundwater monitoring boreholes for a further 3 years to fall in line with the life of the exploratory well: Land off Springs Road, Misson. **Decision – refused.**

1/20/01695/CDM Vary Condition 4 of planning permission 1/15/01498/CDM to extend the evaluation and restoration period of the site for a further 3 years until November 2023 and to relinquish drilling the horizontal well: Land off Springs Road, Misson. **Decision – refused.**

21/00989/CAT Tree works in a conservation area. - Riverside Cottage Church Street Misson NB this application required a response prior to 1 September. MPC have no objections and responded with a neutral stance. **Decision – not to make a tree preservation order.**

21/00993/COND Discharge of Conditions 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of P.A. 20/00639/FUL - Erect Dwelling Associated with Existing Equestrian Business True Fate Equestrian Centre Bracken Hill Lane Misson. **Decision – discharge of conditions 4,5,6 & 8 only.**

21/01215/NMA Non Material Amendment of P.A. 21/00420/HSE to Allow Demolition of Boundary Wall and New Construction - The Old Granary High Street Misson. **Decision – granted.**

21/00935/LBA Rebuild Garden Wall Swan House Church Street Misson. **Decision – granted.**

b. To consider planning applications:

21/1097/COND Discharge of Conditions - Plot 2 Land To The North East Of Gibdyke Misson. *NB this application required a response prior to 1 September. MPC have no objections and responded with a neutral stance.*

21/01127/COND Discharge Conditions (Plot One) - Land To The North East Of Gibdyke Misson *NB this application was a delegated planning officer decision. MPC have no objections and responded with a neutral stance.*

21/01124/FUL Change of Use in Part for Reconfiguration of the Existing Equestrian Building True Fate Equestrian Centre Bracken Hill Lane Misson. *NB this application required a response prior to 1 September. Comments submitted to planning officer by 26 August deadline.*

21/01203/COU. Change of Use of Agricultural Land to Domestic Garden: Land At Lilac Cottage Station Road Misson *NB this application required a response prior to 1 September. MPC have no objections and responded with a neutral stance.*

21/01261/VOC Plot 3 Land to The North East Of Gibdyke Misson. Vary Condition 1 of P.A. 19/01640/RES to Increase the Depth of the Proposed Full Two Storey Section by 750mm and the Single Storey Section by 1500mm and Additional Conservation Roof Lights. The council resolved to object to the application on the same grounds as in the previous application.

21/01280/HSE Lilac Cottage Station Road Misson Demolish Existing Detached Garage, Erect Detached Garage and Encompass Existing Boiler House. The council resolved not to object to the application.

- c. **To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was posted** – none received.
- d. **To consider any other planning matters** – none.

15. To review highways and parish paths

All public rights of way (PROW) have been inspected recently and found to be passable except for path no.9 (Deeps Lane to Lower Deeps Lane). This has been reported to Notts County Council. A way marker has also been requested for path no.8. An online link to a working copy of the PROW in the parish has been circulated.

A previous leaflet describing walks around the parish had been printed and distributed. The council resolved to refresh these, subject to sourcing grant funding. **Action: Chair M Walker and clerk to source grant funding for walks leaflet refresh and publication.** Cllr S Smith offered to assist.

There was discussion about a replacement stile that has been placed on path no.6 which is proving problematic for walkers with dogs. The law does not require account be taken of dogs; the council resolved to liaise with the stile owner to ascertain whether a compromise might be reached. **Action: Chair M Walker to liaise with stile owner.**

The overgrown vegetation on Station Road has been partially cut back and an approach is needed to the relevant parties to ensure the footway is clear. **Action: clerk to contact the dairy farm and Notts CC to arrange footway clearance.**

16. The Neighbourhood Improvement Programme

- **Lengthsmen** – Query raised over availability and intended function of Lengthsmen grant - the NCC website states as follows:
Jobs a lengthsmen can tackle include:
grass cutting; cutting back overhanging hedges; ensuring visibility of traffic signs; maintaining heritage and non-mains powered signs; clearing drains; clearing minor storm debris; tidying roadsides; digging out ditches in verges; repainting traditional finger and mile posts; reporting safety problems to NCC.
The scheme does not affect NCC legal responsibility to maintain roads and pavements. It provides an opportunity for local communities to identify minor works which would not necessarily get done by NCC unless there was a safety issue.
It was confirmed that the 2021-22 grant of £1000 was received by Misson Parish Council on 7 May 2021. A query was raised as to the maximum amount of grant available. **Action: Clerk to enquire with NCC.**
- **Cemetery** - no issues to report
- **Pinfold**- The application to register the Pinfold as a Town or Village Green has been submitted and is under consideration by NCC.
Volunteers have helped weed the area. After discussions of correspondence received in respect of further options to enhance the site by introducing long term wildlife friendly planting, the council agreed to the clearing of weeds preparatory to referring the funding of the preferred planting scheme to the Town Estates Charity
Update re Notts Rural Gigabyte Scheme –no issues to report.

17. Business Liaison

- **Odour emissions from Tunnel Tech (TTN).** There were 24 complaints registered during June and 11 during July. Several of these were during the period 7-9 June. Following this TTN carried

out some investigative work and advised the following: “This was the result of a split in some duct work and there was some concern about the drying up of the new bio-filter. This was resolved as the company repaired the ducting and installed some additional sprays on the bio-filter. It is worth noting that this escaping air which was causing the odour issues had been through the acidic scrubber which carries out most of the odour removal”. DCllr Watson visited the site on 5 July and reported that significant changes had been made to the plant in order to reduce the odour emanating from the site. The new process has been introduced in March 2021. Chair M Walker reported that she had written to the MP for Bassetlaw to request a meeting with herself, the District Councilor, and our MP, the objective of which would be to agree better joined up communications about efforts being made to resolve the Tunnel Tech odour issues.

Residents can lodge complaints with Environmental Health at BDC via the following email address: Environmental.health@bassetlaw.gov.uk

- **Doncaster Airport Committee** –Cllr Watson has established contact with Doncaster Airport committee.
- **Misson School** –closed during this period for summer holidays.

18. **To receive feedback from meetings attended July-August** - covered in item 17 above.

19. **To receive correspondence** – A parishioner contacted the parish council to ask whether the metal name sign on the Newington Road approach to Misson could be replaced as it was unsightly. NCC advised that as it is not damaged or unsafe it is not a priority. The council resolved to renovate the sign if possible, in accordance with any regulations on street signs. **Action: Chair M Walker to contact P Edwards who renovated the original Bawtry sign fixed to Hedgehog Barn, Middle Street, and seek advice.**

20. **To confirm the date of the next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6 October 2021.