KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE CANTEEN, FORTERRA BRICKWORKS, KIRTON ON 01 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 1930 HOURS.

PRESENT R FEGAN(CHAIR), R BATTY, H ATHERTON, D BEARD.

T WILDGUST JOINED THE MEETING AT 2000 HOURS

IN ATTENDANCE K HALL (CLERK)

NUMBER	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/DECISION	ACTION POINTS	
1	APOLOGIES FOR	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr N Batty and Cllr		
	ABSENCE	D Surgey.		
2	DECLARATION OF	None		
	INTEREST			
3	TO APPROVE MINUTES	The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 October	PDF of minutes sent to Cllr	
	OF LAST MEETING	2022 were agreed by all and signed off by the Chair.	Surgey for inclusion on the website 02 Nov.	
4	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	Mrs Cynthia Kilross resident at 24 Kirton Park had raised a concern regarding the pavement in front of her house to the October meeting. Mrs Kilross showed the Parish Council a copy of her house deeds which shows that the footpath is outside the boundary of her property. She reports that she had been informed by a Parish Councillor many years ago that "the Council" were responsible for the upkeep of this path which now requires some remedial work. It was agreed that we need to ascertain who the path belongs to and it was suggested that the Parish Clerk undertake a search with the Land Registry.	The Clerk has contacted Notts County Council and reported this problem and is awaiting a response O2 Nov. This will be an agenda item at the next meeting.	
5	COUNCILLOR ACTION POINTS FROM OCT MEETING			

5.1	PARKING SIGNS AT KIRTON COURT.	The promised public parking signs at Kirton Court have still not materialised.	Cllr Wildgust to chase NSDC again re these signs.
5.2	DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE	Cllr Beard has replaced the pads on the defibrillator. All equipment is fully up to date and is checked monthly by Cllr Beard. The pads will need to be replaced again in November 2024 and the battery in October 2024.	again to these signs.
5.3	CIVILITY & RESPECT TRAINING	Cllr Fegan completed this training via ZOOM in October and fed back to the Parish Council. The Committee on standards in Public Life recommended a new code of conduct in 2019 and that all Parish Councils should adopt the principles of their local authority which Kirton Parish Council did in 2020. The LGA wrote a new model code in 2021 based on the 2019 review but this is not mandatory. To avoid confusion with face to face public requests it was reiterated and agreed by all present that any questions raised by members of the public should be addressed to the Clerk by email or letter for inclusion on the Agenda of the next meeting, or raised in person at a meeting, and that the response to any questions should be made either via the meeting minutes or again by letter/email.	
5.4	REMEMBRANCE DAY 2022	Subject to weather, a service will take place this year on 13 November and will follow a very similar programme to the event in 2021. The Parish Council agreed to the purchase of 2 rockets to be set off at 11.00 and 11.02 to mark the 2 minute silence. Cllr Fegan, as Chair of the Council, will deliver the address and wreaths will be laid. Residents who have purchased the sign written memorial wreaths will be able to take them home after the service	
6	VILLAGE AMENITIES		
6.1	PLAYING FIELD	The Playing Field has had its last cut of the year and the mower is now in storage awaiting a service.	

6.2	VILLAGE XMAS TREE	It was agreed that a Christmas tree would be ordered from our	
	2022	usual supplier.	
6.3	COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH	Cllr Atherton raised her concerns regarding the lack of support from residents for taking part in the community speed watch scheme. Obviously people have returned to working away from home now so she is desperate to try and get some new recruits to help with the programme. Cllr Atherton will contact people who have previously expressed an interest in offering to help to see if she can find some new people to take up the training in the first place.	Cllr Atherton to arrange for a request to go on the Parish Facebook Page for volunteers and to speak to PCSO Cotton regarding possible future training dates.
6.4	VILLAGE CONTRIBUTIONS	A huge thank you must go to Nicola and Richard Batty for their work in putting up the Poppies throughout the village. It was agreed by all that the village looks fabulous and all those in attendance had received very positive compliments about how well the village looked. Cllr Nicola Batty also spent a whole day planting bulbs in the lay by near the Shires Livery so this should look very colourful when they bloom.	
7	ACCOUNTS PAID	Travel expenses to Newark (KH) £15.50 Fence posts for Poppies (NB) £32.00 Bulbs & Plants (NB) £46.87 Microsoft Renewal (KH) £59.99 NSDC Dog Bin Contract £124.80 Herts Assn Training £15.00 Printer Cartridge (KH) £16.00 JRB Enterprises Dog Bag Bin £125.69 Defibrillator Pads and signs £102.00	
8	CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF AGENDA.		
8.1	FORTERRA TREE PLANTING	As part of the Queens Green Canopy and other landscaping projects, Forterra will be planting trees at their site in Kirton and would like to get local schools involved.	

		The Parish Council provided them with details of 2 local schools who would be interested in getting their pupils involved with this project. The tree planting will take place in November 2022.		
8.2	LOCAL ELECTIONS 2023	NALC had sent out an information request regarding the local elections due to take place in May 2023. They wished to know if all Parish Councils would have a full compliment of Councillors moving forward.	Clerk e mailed NALC 02 Nov to confirm that currently all Councillors in Kirton hope to remain in post.	
8.3	THE PINFOLD	The Clerk had attended a training course in Newark recently and been involved in a discussion regarding Historic Assets in villages in the Newark & Sherwood District. The Pinfold in Kirton is listed as an historic asset but is currently somewhat overgrown and in need of repair. The Parish Council gave the Clerk permission to go ahead and explore opportunities for possible funding to repair and maintain the Pinfold.	Clerk to update the Parish Council at the next meeting.	
8.4	DOG BAG BIN	The new dog bag has arrived and is of a very sturdy construction It was agreed that this would best serve the requirements of dog owners in the village and that another one and a supply of bags should be ordered.	Dog bag bin ordered O2 Nov.	
9	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 03 Jan 2023 at 1930 hours at the Canteen, Forterra Brickworks.		
	MEETING CLOSED	The meeting closed at 21.00 hours.		

Minutes prepared by Kate Hall, Clerk to Kirton Parish Council O2 November 2022.