

Newbold Pacey & Ashorne Parish Council
Minutes of meeting held on
Wednesday 4th January 2023 in Ashorne Village Hall

Meeting commenced 19:35 hrs

1. Record of Members Present

Cllrs Dr Pietrecki, Bolton, Struthers, Wright, Hiorns, Darnell and Mrs J Chapman (Clerk)

2. Apologies for Absence

None

3. Acceptance of Apologies

n/a

4. Declaration of Interest

Councillors are reminded that they **MUST** act solely in the public interests and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person to act or gain financial or other material benefits for yourself, your family, a friend, or close associate.

5. Dispensations

None

6. Open Forum (15 mins)

There were two members of the public present.

SDC – Cllr Parry’s report was circulated to all Cllrs via email prior to the meeting. Cllr Parry advised the South Warwickshire Local Plan will soon be out for consultation. There is nothing of any significance for Newbold Pacey and Ashorne, however given plans for surrounding areas there would be some impact on the roads around Ashorne. The Local Plan once agreed will last until 2050. There will also be a Consultation document coming out on Wellesbourne Campus.

Cllrs Struthers, Hiorns, Bolton and Wright will meet to review the Local Plan prior to next Parish Council meeting.

WCC – Cllr O’Donnell was not in attendance, her report had ben circulated to the Parish Cllrs in advance of the meeting.

7. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd November 2022

RESOLVED the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting and were signed by Cllr Dr Pietrecki.

8. Planning

8.1 The following planning application has been received since the last meeting held on 2nd November 2022.

Planning No.	Address	Proposal	Comments due by
22/03575/LBC	Ashorne Hill Management College, The	Dilapidation works – removal and replacement of windows to 2 no. elevations. Removal and	No objection

	Quad, Ashorne Hill, Ashorne	replacement of Facias, soffits and timber detailing and rainwater goods to all elevations plus remedial works to clock tower	
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8.2 The following planning decisions has been received since the last meeting held on 2nd November 2022.

Planning No.	Address	Decision
22/01593/FUL	Pinecroft, Church Road, Newbold Pacey	Refused

Pinecroft, Church Road, Newbold Pacey has submitted two applications for Certificates of Lawful Development. 23/00135/LDP and 23/00136/LDP. As it is LDP the Parish Council is not consulted as a matter of course. The Parish Council can however submit comments if it wishes to do so.

8.3 Appeals
None

9. Financial Reports

9.1 Financial Report for the period 01.04.22 – 28.12.22
Noted

9.2 Bank Statement and bank reconciliation
Up to 28th December 2022. Agreed, Cllr Dr Pietrecki signed the reconciliation document.

9.3 Payments made since the last meeting held on 2nd November 2022

Name	£
Water plus – November Direct Debit	8.39
Water plus – December Direct Debit	8.18
WALC Training Course, Understanding Employment Responsibilities - Clerk	18.00
Dr K Pietrecki – reimbursement for donation to Royal British Legion (Sect 137)	50.00
Mrs J Chapman Clerk Salary November 2022 including backdated wage increase to May 2022	
Nicholson Nurseries – Jubilee Oak	735.76
Warwickshire County Fund Village Hut September 2022	34.92

RESOLVED the payments be made

9.4 To authorise the following payments

Name	£
Clerk Mrs J Chapman salary December 2022	
Mrs J Chapman reimbursement Weebly website (walksaroundwellesbourne) annual fee.	9.54

RESOLVED the payments be made.

9.5 Income received

02.11.22 £14.00 Faure GS - noted

9.6 Budget Proposal and Precept Demand for 2023 – 2024

The budget for the defibrillator is to be increase to £150.00

Tree Care - Cllr Dr Pietrecki will ask if the contractor who currently strims the path from Ashorne to Newbold Pacey if he will cut the grass around the Jubilee Oak.

Open Spaces membership is to be included in the budget

RESOLVED so long as the above amendments are made the budget for 2023 – 2024 was agreed.

RESOLVED the precept demand for 2023 – 2024 is £8717

9.7 Community Benefit Fund - Elms Solar Farm

Clerk still awaiting figures from Novus. The Parish Council may have to take advice regarding opening another account for this money.

9.8 Purchase Orders/Requests for work to be undertaken

The Clerk advised all Councillors the Responsible Officer is the only person who can request work be done and/or issue purchase orders. Cllrs are not authorised to do this and if they do, the Parish Council is not obliged to pay for the work/purchase as there is no valid contract between the contractor/provider and the Parish Council

10. Parish Plan

During the open forum part of the meeting, Andrew Marshall spoke to the Parish Council about a working group which has been set up to revise the Parish Plan. The last Parish Plan was in 2006. A plan has been devised which has 8 phases to it, with completion by the end of December 2023. They have discussed what needs to be done with Stratford District Council. No outside funding is available to undertake the plan. Therefore they will be seeking funding from the Parish Council to undertake this work, approximately £2,000 (£1,600 plus £400.00 contingency). They will initially require a small amount to start with to pay for an insert in the Hut News and then to pay for stationary items for a drop in at the Village Hall. If the initial drop in is not well attended or residents do not show any commitment to the Parish Plan being renewed the project will stop there.

The Parish Council can fund the drop in and the insert in the magazine, however, no allowance has been made in the budget for a monetary request of £2,000, so this will need to be discussed.

11. Upper Lighthorne Heath Healthcare Provision

A meeting will take place on 20th January 2023 between SDC, the NHS Integrated Care Board (ICB), Sir Jeremy Wright, and representatives from South Warwickshire Health Matters (representing 19 parish councils) to discuss the provision of GP and other health services, as part of the new Upper Lighthorne development of 3,000 houses. All District and County councillors, together with the local MP are united and strongly support the view that Upper Lighthorne should have its own GP Practice and health facility, as proposed in the approved planning permission for the GLH development. The health facility is required to reduce the pressure on local medical centres. A recent survey of local communities also indicated the need for a health centre at Upper Lighthorne.

12. Warwickshire County Council website

This item was not discussed as the meeting had exceeded it's time limit of 2 hours. It will be carried over to the next meeting if it is still pertinent.

13. Emergency Plan

This item was not discussed as the meeting had exceeded its time limit of 2 hours. It will be carried over to the next meeting if it is still pertinent.

14. Management of vacant allotment plots

This item was not discussed as the meeting had exceeded its time limit of 2 hours. It will be carried over to the next meeting if it is still pertinent.

15. SDC request for help with Parish Council Elections 4th May 2023 Nominations

This item was not discussed as the meeting had exceeded its time limit of 2 hours. It will be carried over to the next meeting if it is still pertinent.

16. Ashorne Village Clock

Cllr Bolton advised the clock is not currently working. Cllr Bolton agreed with Cllr Pietrecki to contact Cumbrian Clock Company. They advised they would deal with it, although nothing has happened to date. Cllr Bolton will contact them again.

Cllr Bolton advised now entering the second year of the three-year contract, which was agreed in November 2021.

Clerk advised she does not have a copy of the contract, Cllr Bolton will provide the Clerk with a copy

17. Items for next Agenda

Civility and Respect Project, Internal Audit, items not discussed at this meeting which are still relevant

Date of Next Meeting 1st March 2023 @ 19:30 hrs

Meeting closed 21:40 hrs

Signed

Date