

KIRTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 05 APRIL 2022 AT 1930 HOURS AT THE CANTEEN FORTERRA BRICKWORKS, KIRTON.

PRESENT R FEGAN(CHAIR) N BATTY, R BATTY, H ATHERTON, D SURGEY

T WILDGUST & D BEARD ARRIVED AT 19.50 HOURS

IN ATTENDANCE K HALL (CLERK)

NUMBER	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION POINTS/FEEDBACK/DECISION	ACTION POINTS.
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Cllrs T Wildgust and D Beard had advised the Clerk that they would be later arriving to the meeting and arrived at 19.50 hours	
2	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	None	
3	TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH MEETING.	The minutes of the meeting held on 01 March 2022 were agreed unanimously and signed off by the Chair.	PDF of these minutes sent to Cllr Surgey for inclusion on the Parish website 06 April 2022
4	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	None.	
5	COUNCILLORS ACTION POINTS FROM MAR MEETING		
5.1	SPEEDING & PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY SIGNS.	At the meeting held earlier this year, Jo Horton of VIA advised that temporary speed awareness signs could be provided for the village. Cllr Atherton has now identified the lamp posts where these should be placed and contacted VIA to arrange this. Cllr Atherton also raised her concerns regarding the low number of people who are contacted by the police after being caught by speed watch. This low number is due to a lack of personnel within the Police service to input the data.	

		Cllr Atherton has suggested that numbers of convictions could be increased if the speed watchers inputted this data.	Cllr Atherton to contact Police with this data input idea.
5.2	NEW MOWER DELIVERY	Cllr N Batty has contacted the supplier of the new mower and advised that we will be able to take delivery and pay the second instalment on the machine when we receive the precept towards the end of April.	
5.3	SILVER BIRCH TREES ON PLAYING FIELD.	<p>After the previous Council meeting the Clerk recontacted the residents of Kirton Court who had raised this issue regarding the Parish Councils concerns. We advised that if the trees were to be cut back, the Parish Council would wish to see the estimate of how much wood would be removed and also would need to see the Public Liability insurance of the contractor undertaking the work.</p> <p>As the nesting season is now upon us, any work will have to be delayed until later in the year.</p> <p>During this time the Parish Council will obtain three quotes from qualified professionals for this work and seek guidance on how much these trees need to be cut back.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Fegan Agreed by all.</p>	Three quotes to be obtained from qualified and insured tree surgeons for this type of work.
5.4	PARKING AT KIRTON COURT	Cllr N Batty has chased Ben Stacey at NSDC regarding this and is still awaiting a response.	Cllr Batty to update May meeting.
5.5	UPDATED PARISH COUNCIL LETTERHEAD.	The Parish Council thanked Cllr D Surgey for his work in updating the letterhead and adding our affiliation to the Armed Forces Covenant. This new letterhead will now be adopted moving forward.	
5.6	VIA & CHURCH CORNER	Cllr Wildgust has so far received no response to his communications following the meeting with Mark Spencer & VIA.	
5.7	RUBBISH AT CLIPPER & BOUGHTON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE.	<p>We were advised at the March Council meeting that both Clipper and Flexspace had been issued with enforcement orders regarding litter. The Clerk, after a meeting at Clipper, highlighted the problem area in the ditch at the end of the car park and Cllr N Batty spoke to the site manager regarding assisting with litter picks. She also arranged for the hedge to be cut on the exterior of the fence.</p> <p>Flexspace have now started to undertake litter picking and Clipper have started to clear the ditch.</p>	

		<p>There are still concerns regarding the amount of rubbish in the ditches around Boughton Camp and the Parish Council will keep up a dialogue with the tenants and the District Council regarding this.</p> <p>Cllr N Batty did undertake a litter pick from Cocking Hill Corner to the Harrow pub and this resulted in over 30 bags of litter being picked up.</p>	
6	VILLAGE AMENITIES		
6.1	PARKING ON ROADSIDE VERGES & SPRING PLANTINGS	<p>Sadly vehicles have been parking up onto the verges where the spring plantings are and where bulbs have now flowered.</p> <p>NSDC ground services also sprayed some plantings with weed killer when endeavouring to keep weeds at bay, they have been contacted regarding this uncaring behaviour and have agreed to replace the flowers</p> <p>Cllr N Batty did investigate to cost of “keep off” signs for the borders but these were prohibitive.</p>	
7	OPERATION LONDON BRIDGE.	<p>The Clerk has attending a training session on the plans that need to be put into place and the timelines upon the death of her Majesty the Queen. These are split into two parts, the civil part and the religious part and the Clerk has shared this information with the Church Council too.</p> <p>All Councillors now have a timetable to refer to for when this event occurs.</p>	
8.	IDENTIFYING NON DESIGNATED HERITAGE SITES	<p>Cllr Fegan attended a TEAMS meeting regarding this subject which involved identifying buildings or areas that warrant this status to give them more protection.</p> <p>Cllr N Batty and Cllr Wildgust considered that the Pinfold may warrant this protection despite the fact that it currently requires some remedial work to improve the state of the area.</p> <p>Cllr Wildgust advised that some funding may be forthcoming to assist with this renovation work</p>	<p>Cllr Fegan to check local lists and contact the District Council conservation team.</p> <p>Report back at May meeting.</p>
9.	CHARITABLE FUNDING & DONATIONS.	<p>The Parish Council has always had a policy of not donating to Charity, however a local resident has trained as a first responder and currently has to travel to pick up his equipment.</p> <p>If he had equipment in the village this would make response times quicker.</p>	<p>Cllr Fegan to feedback at May meeting.</p>

		Cllr Beard suggested that if we did have this equipment in the village some other people may wish to undertake the First Responder training. Cllr Fegan will check out what the cost of this equipment is and what is included.	
10	ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MAY 2022	It was agreed that the Parish Meeting would take place at 7pm on Tuesday 03 May 2022 before the Parish Council meeting.	
11	VILLAGE CONTRIBUTIONS	The Parish Council would like to thank the following people for all their hard work in making Kirton such a pleasant place to live. Cllr N Batty and her daughter Lauren and Mrs Georgina Batty and Cllr Tim Wildgust for all their efforts litter picking during the Spring Keep Britain Tidy Campaign. Mr Colin Turnbull for the delightful display of tulips at the corner of Kirton Park. The Church Council for their generous donation towards the Platinum Jubilee Celebration plaque and lamp post signs.	
12	ACCOUNTS PAID	The following accounts have been signed off and paid RBLI Platinum Jubilee Plaque and Signs (KH) £246.58 NSDC Dog Bin Contract £124.80 NALC membership £82.90 Ukrainian flag (RB) £9.98 Mower Parts (NB) £134.04 CS Arable Diesel for mower £29.83 The accounts for 2021/22 have now been closed by the Clerk and will be prepared for the auditor.	
13	CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED AFTER AGENDA PUBLICATION		
13.1	TREES AT SHIREPODS	A resident has raised concerns regarding the cutting back of the tall trees outside the Shirepods factory and the adjacent unit. These had always been considered as a screen for the units from the main road.	The Clerk has raised this with NSDC 06 April.
	NEW PETROL CAN	Cllr N Batty asked for permission to purchase a new petrol can for the new mower and this was agreed by all	

	TREE MANAGEMENT NEAR BUS STOP	Cllr N Batty advised that NCC workers have been instructed to cut down a couple of dead and overhanging trees in the area near the bus stop. This work will take place shortly.	
	KEY INDIVIDUAL NETWORK	Cllr N Batty has been invited by Nottinghamshire Constabulary to become a member of the Key Individual Network, this will entail reflecting the views and concerns of local people to the Police. The Parish Council are rightly proud that Nicola has been selected for this post.	
	BEHAVIOUR OF WOODHEADS CONTRACTORS	Sadly the Parish Council had to contact NSDC and Woodhead's regarding the childish behaviour of some of their contractors recently. This has resulted in a meeting between NSDC Planning and Woodhead's to endeavour to resolve this type of unnecessary behaviour. It was also noted that whilst this meeting was taking place, they also took pictures of the terrible state of the road surface on Kirton Court.	
	FENCE AT SIDE OF CAR PARK BUNGALOW KIRTON COURT.	When meeting with Kevin Shutt from NSDC Planning last year, before the start of construction of the bungalow on the old car park site at Kirton Court, the Parish Council requested that the old concrete wall which abuts the path to the field be left in place as it is a solid construction to deter vandalism. The contractors on the site had placed a wooden fence inside the original concrete one but after a resident complained about this, NSDC have replied to say that the whole concrete fence down to just one plinth will be taken down and a wooden fence installed. The Parish Council have been informed that this wooden fence will be the responsibility of NSDC when it requires care and maintenance. (email on file 04 April 2022)	
	FINGER POST ON FOOTPATH	Cllr Surgey reports that the finger post on the footpath is now laying on the ground. Currently the path is in very poor condition but should improve moving forward although it may require some remedial work from the farmers	Cllr Surgey to contact Kirsty Curd at VIA regarding replacing the finger post footpath sign.
14	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	The next meeting will take place at 19.30 hours on 03 May 2022. The Parish Meeting will commence at 19.00 on that date.	The Clerk has informed Jonathan Price of this date and will publish an agenda for both meetings.

15	MEETING CLOSED	The meeting closed at 21.25 hours	
----	----------------	-----------------------------------	--

Minutes prepared by Kate Hall, Clerk to Kirton Parish Council 06 April 2022.