

**Minutes of Normanton on Soar Parish Council Meeting, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Keith Bonser, Harry Peberdy, Sue Ponting, Paul Sharpe, Dave Smith (Chairman), Stuart Sleight.

The Clerk Sue Lewis, Cllrs Marie Males, John Thurman, Andy Brown and 1 member of the public were also present.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** None
2. **Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda:** Cllrs Dave Smith in Item 14 (Playing Field Lease) and Stuart Sleight Item 16 (Ferry)
3. **To Approve as a True Record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019** – Approved.
4. **Clerk/Chairman's Report** – The Clerk reported:
  - That her contact details had been updated with local councils and NALC.
  - Contact had been made with Nottinghamshire County Council VIA regarding the mowing contract and who to contact about the grant for cutting of the verges – reply awaited.
5. **Policing Matters**
  - **Crime Report** - Circulated and noted.
  - **Police Concerns** – Cars and youths are still being spotted in Butt Lane where it is alleged drug dealing is taking place – Clerk to report to Police.
  - **Community Speed Watch** – The Chairman has been in contact with Sutton Bonington Parish Council over the Speed Camera, which is shared, it has been suggested that Normanton have it every 10 weeks. It was agreed to speak to the Clerk at Sutton Bonington once the new Council are in place.
  - Speeding motor bikes on the A6006 request for speed checks from the Police and request permission from NCC to site the speed camera there.
  - Cllr Andy Brown will request all the above and request an official count.
6. **Planning**
  - **Applications** – none.
  - **Decision Notice** – 18/02792/FUL, 17 Ferry Fields, Replacement cabin/lodge with new disabled access ramp and upper level access decking (resubmission) – Planning Permission Granted.
  - **Other Planning Issues** – The Clerk reported that she had contacted Rushcliffe following a complaint received regarding the brick wall being built at the Woodyard, Far Lane encroaching on to the Highway. Rushcliffe advised it was a Highways issue and they have now been contacted.
7. **Correspondence and Reports**
  - **Broadband** – (FTTP) Fibre to the Property. Leaflets have been delivered around the village and hopefully there will be a good take-up.

**8. Highways & Traffic Matters**

- Cllr Andy Brown reported that he had put a request in to introduce weight restrictions through the village, but has been informed that as there is not enough traffic it does not warrant it.
- Drainage – Nottinghamshire County Council have cleared the drains on Far Lane/Moor Lane/Main Street, and STW will be clearing the culvert and NCC (Via) doing the drain near the school

**9. Reports from Borough and County Councillor**

- Cllr Andy Brown was pleased to report that the Ferry has been added to Nottinghamshire County Councils tourist publicity as an 'iconic site'.
- VIA which was previously 50% owned by Cornwall has been bought out and is now solely VIA East Midlands.
- A section of County Hall has been knocked down and is being rebuilt so Education and Highways can move there.
- Cllr John Thurman reported that the Borough were still waiting for the Inspectors Report on the Local Plan (Part 2).

**10. NCC Items – Nothing to report****11. RBC Items – Tree Warden Invite, notice to go on Noticeboard and Website.****12. NALC, RCAN & Voluntary Organisations Items**

- NALC – Policy Consultation on Audit Code of Practice – Noted
- NALC – Best Kept Village Competition – It was agreed to enter this competition and report on it at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**13. Any Other Correspondence – None.****14. Playing Fields**

- **Grass Cutting** – Playing field has had its first cut.
- **Lease** – The Chairman reported that the lease to the Jubilee land needs amending as it has never been finalised, therefore it needs putting in place. The Solicitors have been contacted for a quote - £750 plus VAT and a peppercorn rent has been agreed. The Jubilee Field Committee now need to get a solicitor to do their part. It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk to sign on behalf of the Council.

**15. Village News Items – None.****16. Ferry**

- A quote has been received for £247.20 for wiring for the cabin – Agreed to accept.
- Ferry signs have been installed.
- The Ferry will be opening for the first time this year at the weekend.

**17. Allotments**

- The Chairman reported that there had been several break-ins over the weekend in to the sheds – CCTV to be checked.
- Clerk to ask Paul Henson if he has any spare CCTV signs which can go on the gate.

**18. To Approve Cheques, Direct Debits and Bill Payments for March**

<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>Payments</b>		
001942	Amazon (D Smith)	455.00	Picnic Bench
001943	Dell Computers (D Smith)	494.18	Laptop/Microsoft/Anti-Virus
001944	Currys (D Smith)	47.99	Backup
001945	Elliott News	230.22	Locum Clerk
001946	NCC	1425.89	Grass Cutting
001947	S Lewis	165.60	Clerk Pay
001948	CANCELLED		
001949	Inland Revenue	41.60	PAYE
001950	Ladybug Garden Services	<u>214.50</u>	Verge Grass Cutting
		<b>3074.98</b>	

The above cheques were approved for signature. The members also approved that the Clerk be now added to the bank signatories with ex-councillors and Jenny removed.

**19. Any Other Matters on which the Clerk or members wish to report – Information Only**

- Tree will be ordered for Jenny towards the end of the summer.
- Possible dates for Annual Parish Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> May – Clerk to confirm.
- Could a 'Open' 'Closed' sign be hooked over the Ferry Sign – Yes.

The Chairman reported that tonight would be Cllr Marie Males last meeting as she is retiring from being a Borough Councillor, and he would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work and help she has given to Normanton Parish Council over the years.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.