

NEWTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

An Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Held on Monday 13th September 2021
Beginning at 7.00 pm
St Peter's Church High Street Newton

35.01 Those Present.

Cllr B. Goodacre.

Chairman.

Cllr A. Arden.

Cllr M. Maddison.

Cllr E. Thompson.

Cllr R. Spink.

Cllr C. Ellis.

Mrs S. Kopetzki.

Mrs J. Cheetham.

Mr R. Pilgrim.

Parish Clerk.

35.02 Apologies for Absence.

Cllr J. Stringer. Having been informed of the reason for his absence, Council approved his apologies for absence.

35.03 Declarations of Interest.

None received.

35.04 Approval of the Minutes.

Resolved: That the Minutes of the last meeting, held on Monday 13th September 2021, be approved as a true record.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

35.05 Matters Arising.

None received.

35.06 Planning.

None received.

35.07 Newton on Trent Primary School.

A proposed joint community project to provide a building containing a changing room, loo, and refreshment facilities on the Playing Field.

Both the Parish Council and the School are collecting information concerning funding and a possible way forward, which will be discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting. Monday 11th October 2021.

35.08 Naylor's Hill Allotment.

After some discussion Council decided to ask the tenant to pay the full four years arrears, some £160.00 in all.

35.09 Defibrillator Training and Maintenance.

The defibrillator has now had a new Battery and Pads installed, and the systems checked through Community Heartbeat.

The Equipment will now be checked on a regular basis and a fitness report sent to Webnos at Community Heartbeat.

The Battery will need replacing in approximately four years and the pads in approximately three years.

36.10 Replacement Benches for the Village.

Councillors have been supplied with information concerning recycled plastic benches manufactured by Marmax, as well links to the website.

The item is on the agenda for the next meeting. Monday 11th October 2021, when it is hoped that a decision can be made concerning the replacement of existing seats around the village.

36.11 LCC Website Management.

The system is now “live”, and Council’s website is being managed through Mr P. D. Langford. Minutes and Agendas will still be posted by the Clerk. All other information will be sent to Mr Langford for posting.

The LALC invoice will be paid at this meeting.

36.12 Live and Local.

Essential information was given to Council by Councillor Thompson.

Resolved: That Councillor Thompson should now move the process on and sign an Honorary Contract form showing Council’s interest in taking part in the scheme in the near future.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

36.13 Verge Maintenance.

DWG Groundcare has agreed to finish the cutting season, after MKS Groundcare’s contract finished on 1st September 2021.

The charge per cut will be £150.00.

Resolved: That the Parish Council accept the DWG Quotation, which will expire at the end of 2021.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

The Clerk will now try to obtain quotations for the 2022 season.

36.14 Play Park.

a. Litter and Litter Bins. Acceptable.

b. New Play Equipment. Councillors have been given examples of Eibe Play Equipment for the lower age group.

The item will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting. Monday 11th October 2021.

c. Other Issues.

Play Park Gates. Cllr Arden will ask one of his staff to repair the entrance gates. No charge to the Council.

RoSPA Inspection. Wood Panelling on the Fence. The panel is delaminating and serves no purpose in its present state. Cllr Arden will organise its removal.

Youth Offending Service. The Clerk will make contact to see if they are working at the present time.

If the YOS are not available during 2022 to paint the fence and bus shelter, the Clerk will obtain quotations from local contractors.

36.15 Health and Safety.

a. Play Park. No issues reported.

b. Playing Field. There is a certain amount of fitness equipment left on the field, which the RoSPA report lists as a hazard. The report recommends removal.

Mrs Kopetzki will contact the instructor.

36.16 Newton News.

a. Content is deferred until the next Meeting. Monday 11th October 2021.

b. Distribution. As previously.

36.17 Facebook.

Content will be posted by the Chairman as and when needed.

36.18 Correspondence.

No comments.

37.19 Finance.

a. Financial Statement.

Resolved. That the Financial Statements for July and August be approved

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

b. Clerks Salary & Expenses. £202.94

Resolved. That the Clerk's Salary and Expenses be approved.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

c. Donation St Peter's Church.

Resolved: That the donation of funds to help with grass cutting costs be increased to £250.00.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

d. Invoices for Payment.

HMRC PAYE £48.60

LC printing Services £20.23

St Peter's Church Room Hire. £40.00

Newton on Trent PCC. Donation grass cutting. £250.00

RoSPA Play Safety. £246.60

MKS Groundcare. £162.00

LALC Website Maintenance. £24.00

Resolved: That the above expenditure at 37.19.d be approved for payment.

Proposed. Seconded. Carried unanimously.

37.20 Closed Session.

Pursuant to section (2) of the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 it is resolved that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the co-option of a new member to the Parish Council.

The decision was carried unanimously.

37.21 Future Agenda Items.

None received.

37.22 Dates for Future Meetings.

Monday 11 October 2021.

Monday 8th November 2021.

Monday 13th December 2021.

37.23 Closure of the Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 2045 (8.45 pm).

Approval of the Minutes

Chairman.....**Date**.....