

# NORMANTON ON TRENT WITH MARNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024, 7.00pm, Normanton Village Hall

**Present:**

**Councillors:** P Whitby (Chair), A Fox, S Nolleth

**Clerk:** R Jeffries

**Representatives** Mr A Collins and Mr R Laxton, JG Pears, C/Cllr J Ogle

**Members of the Public:** One

**01/24 Apologies for Absence**

**Action**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hope, Winfrow, Simpson, Clayton, Birks, and Spink.

**02/24 Update from JG Pears**

Mr Laxton apologised for the for late submission of the update report, however, his team has had major issues to deal with in light of the recent floods. The main points of the report were as follows:

- Approval has been granted for a Planning Application to put an additional 6MW on the proposed Hydrogen Plant. The proposed works are likely to increase traffic to and from the plant by an extra six or seven trucks per day.
- There is no change to the main developments on site and all documents are now on the Bassetlaw DC Planning Portal.
- A Councillor commented that there was an odour increase from the plant over the Christmas period and Mr Collins confirmed that this was due to the increase in the feather material they had received over the Christmas period.
- Mr Collins advised that the large potholes at the plant entrance and on Gracefield Lane have been reported to Highways.  
Mr Collins proposed the dates of 29<sup>th</sup> January or 5<sup>th</sup> February for the Parish Councillors to tour the facility.

**03/24 Meeting closed for Public Open Session of five minutes**

**One Earth Great North Solar Farm Proposal**

This item was not discussed.

**Flooding**

This discussion lasted for most of the meeting's duration and the main points were:

- Recurring flooding of Brookfield on South Lane caused by the overflow of Grassthorpe Beck and inadequate drainage culvert on South Lane.
- Road diversion signage placed at inappropriate locations – the local Flood Warden (Cllr Spink) would be best placed to co-ordinate this due to his knowledge of the local road network.
- C/Cllr Ogle advised that if five or more properties were affected by the flood then a Section 119 Notice could be requested, thereby enforcing a legal obligation for an investigation to be conducted. More than five properties were listed and have been included in the report. The properties were: Brookfield on South Lane, The Brownlow Arms, Oak Tree Farm, Caravan Park to the rear of The Brownlow Arms, The Square and Compass, Stonehill Cottage on Mill Lane, 1 Chesnut Court Mill Lane (fortunately, the flood water did not enter this property). In addition, St Matthews Primary School had to close twice due to severe flooding on Mill Lane which made it unsafe for families and staff to travel to and from the school.

**04/24 Matters arising from the public open session**

Various actions were noted in the report.

**05/24 Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023**

The minutes were approved – proposed by Cllr Nolleth, seconded by Cllr Fox.

**06/24 Matters to report from the Minutes of meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023**

South Street Noticeboard

The Clerk has circulated an email with a selection of models and various price brackets.

Sustrans Track in Fledborough

Mr Collins referred to a map of the area and highlighted the owners of the various pieces of land. He agreed to obtain contact details for the landowners and liaise with Cllr Spink.

Lamp post Poppies

The Clerk had costed these at £5 each. The PC agreed to make a decision at the next meeting.

**07/24 Village Playground Proposal**

Cllr Nolleth reported that she has been advised to refer the Lawyer to the Law Society due to the over-extended length of time it is taking to prepare the lease for the land. She aims to host the public consultation at the end of January and will flier residents to inform them of the date. It was suggested to approach JG Pears to see if they can help with the leaflet production.

**08/24 Community Engagement**

Cllr Fox had circulated via email a draft flier for distribution to the community – the Council thanked her and also agreed to funding a boost to the PC Facebook page to increase the existing number of 70 followers.

**09/24 Financial Matters**

Balance of Accounts and Approval of Payments for January 2024

The transactions below were approved by the Parish Council, proposed by Cllr Fox, seconded by the Chair.

Opening bank balance £25698.80

NUMBER	PAYEE/CREDITOR	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
R13	GD Hall Funeral Directors – Burial plot purchase	£225.00	
P15	Burial Plot – partial refund		£200.00
P17	Crown Inn – OAP Christmas Dinners		£240.21
P18	Wave Water Bill – Brotts Road		£10.83
P19	Clerk’s Salary December 2023/January 2024		£452.68
P20	Marnham PCC Meeting Room hire 2023 x 3 meetings		£45.00
P21	Marnham PCC – Refund of donation from M Gash		£100.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	£225.00	<b>£1048.72</b>
	<b>BALANCE TO CARRY FORWARD</b>	<b>£24875.08</b>	

Ringfenced funds are detailed as: £200 from the NALC Transparency Fund, ( £18075.85 CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) Funding from Bassetlaw DC, £380 for Playground Donation.

Bassetlaw DC Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Award

The Clerk reported that a further £60 has been awarded to the Parish Council under the CIL Scheme. The PC agreed to request the funding be allocated directly to them, proposed by the Chair, seconded by Cllr Fox.

RJ

Bassetlaw DC Precept Request 2024/25

There was insufficient time to discuss this item so the Clerk agreed to circulate the submission to the PC for agreement via email.

RJ

**10/24 Crime Update**

The update from the Police and Crime Commissioner had been circulated prior to the meeting.

**11/24 Planning Matters**

- 23/01448/FUL – Oak Tree Farm, Normanton
- 23/01410/HSE – White Rose Cottage, Mill Lane, Normanton
- 23/0090/FUL – Ivy House, South Street, Normanton

**12/24 Highways Matters**

None to report.

**13/24 Parish Burial Ground**

There was insufficient time to discuss the new contractor's quote and a decision was deferred until the next meeting.

**14/24 Allotments**

Discussion regarding the hedge maintenance deferred to the next meeting.

**15/24 Correspondence**

Bassetlaw DC Litter Pick 2024

To be discussed/agreed via email as the deadline for registration (12<sup>th</sup> February) falls before the March PC meeting.

**16/24 Any other Business**

Cllr Nolleth reported that the OAP Christmas lunch held at The Crown went very well and was enjoyed by all. She asked for the PC to consider making an annual donation to this event and it was agreed, proposed by the Chair, seconded by Cllr Fox.

**17/24 Business for the next meeting**

1. Amendment/Review Bank Signatories
2. Lamp Post Poppies - £5 each
3. Cemetery Maintenance – review of quote from new contractor
4. Review of Bank Signatories
5. Allotments – hedge maintenance

The Chair reiterated his intention to make the next meeting his last one as he will be standing down from the Parish Council.

**18/24 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024, 7pm, Normanton Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.40pm **Signed.....Chairman Dated.....**