**Minutes of the North Marston Parish Council Annual Meeting held at the**

**Village Hall on Tuesday 10th July 2018 at 8.00 pm**

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**Attendees:** Cllr Symonds, Cllr Du Plessis, Cllr Garey, Clerk Rachel Callander & 5 Parishioners

**100 Club Draw**: 1st prize 72 Tam & Richard Butterworth, 2nd prize 86 Sarah Howes, 3rd prize 29 Rachel Callander

**65/18 Apologies:** Cllr Hogbin-Mills, Cllr Mordue, Cllr Boyt, Cllr Martin, Cllr Raven

**66/18 Members Interests:** None

**67/18 Minutes:** Approved minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 12th June 2018

**68/18 Planning Applications**

* Resolved: 18/02097/AGN Dancers Farm had no objections

**69/18 AVDC/BCC:**

* No update report from BCC - Janet Blake
* District Councillor, Scott Raven, AVDC, provided the following report:

**AVDC**:

* The Chairman of AVDC, Cllr Neil Blake and the Cabinet Member for Commercialisation and Business Development, Cllr Janet Blake have resigned in relation to their responsibilities to AV Broadband.
* Scott thanked Mr Andrew Mills and his team for all their hard work to provide fibre broadband to the village and surrounding areas.
* The new Chairwoman of AVDC, Cllr Angela MacPherson is due to be officially appointed w/c 16th July.

**Ox-Cam expressway**:

* There is no update on the route and AVDC are in support of either routes A or B.
* AVDC, The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, and the Department for Transport are yet to call for public opinion on the matter. Route A seems least problematic for North Marston.

**Thames water**:

* Issued a statement encouraging residents to reduce water usage. They have published some tips on how to do this on their website.
* **BCC Bus Survey (deadline 20th July):** Resolved – Cllr Symonds to deliver survey leaflets.

**70/18 Neighbourhood Plan:**

* Cllr Du Plessis provided an update on the Neighbourhood Plan
  + The Open Day on the 7th July was attended by approximately 15% of the village. Another event will be planned to capture the thoughts of the remaining demographics of the village.
  + The format of the day asked opinions on what parishioners liked about the village, their concerns and what they would like for the future, ranked from important to less important.
  + The Steering Group is also developing a new Facebook page to inform residents of progress on the Neighbourhood Plan

**71/18 Environment :**

i. **Highway: -** Confirmed the following are all reported and outstanding

* 46010044 and 46031824 Blocked gulley and drains on NM hill
* 46033044 Pavement in Granborough Road
* 40072187 24 High Street
* 40072188 16 High Street
* 40080321 16 Church Street
* 40080288 Kerb damage (Quainton road/Carters meadow)
* 40080768 7 and 11 School hill
* Resolved: The ownership of land at the bottom of Oving Hill belongs to Mr Gurney and falls within the Oving Parish as per the area of designation approved by AVDC
* Resolved: confirmed Cllr Symonds will investigate the use of a mirror with other parishes following the report from TfB:

*When looking left at Carters Lane junction, the boundary hedge physically obstructs the vision splay regardless of the grass verge growth*

*Warning signs are in place on the approach with ‘Reduce speed now’ signs. The reported collisions have reduced at this junction in recent years and the site would not qualify for a highway mirror.*

* Resolved: Cllr Symonds to contact Mark Averill, head of Highways, to clarify the note on the extension of devolved services for the next 4 years and the extended service delivery contract.
* Traffic Calming in the village
* Confirmed that the proposal from NMCSW for traffic calming and the option of the second microgrant to be claimed before September 2018, will be prepared for the September meeting.
* Resolved: The MVAS report was read out. Between 11-30th June on Portway 50% of cars recorded were over the speed limit of 30mph, 9 cars travelling 55-60 mph and the fastest vehicle was 60-65mph!
* Confirmed: The Monthly Sentinel was not available due to manpower to run the exercise.

ii. **Hedges/Village Upkeep**

* Biodiversity – Confirmed that Cllr Du Plessis and Cllr Symonds provided a recommendation on the biodiversity for the verges and grass areas to keep the centre of the village neat and tidy whilst allowing the edges of the village to be natural. To meet with Lynch Garden services to provide a schedule and budget. Recommendation:
  + St. Johns Lane up to the Finnemore’s house
  + Right side of Quainton Road from the sewerbed track to Potters Farm
  + Granborough Road both sides from number 16 to the Village gates
  + Townsend from the cemetery to the first grid both sides
  + Portway both sides from number 59 to the bottom of the hill
* CCTV – Resolved: Cllr Garey provided a report on the use of CCTV in Hathersage, Derbyshire who have implemented effective CCTV. Reported that the Police had approached Hathersage to monitor organised crime. Based on this the report will be circulated to the councillors and will be discussed further in the next meeting.

**72/18 Parish Action Plan/Projects:**

* Playground
  1. Confirmed Cllr Du Plessis is reviewing several options and grants with a proposal for the September meeting.
* Pond
  1. Confirmed that an unmetered household will be asked to help fill up the pond. Anglian water have confirmed that despite the dry weather they support this action.
  2. Confirmed Cllr Mordue to look at a suitable pump to enable aeration
  3. Confirmed Cllr Symonds will look at the plant plan recommendations.
  4. Agree the pond treatment will be continued at £66/4 months until the plant life can support the maintenance.
  5. Confirmed that the pond has been inoculated using water from another pond.
  6. Agreed a safety ring should not be purchased contrary to June’s minutes 61/18.
* Village magazine
  1. Confirmed that the magazine will be published in August. Acknowledged the time it is taking to collect all the adverts and content and an advert for a volunteer will be put in the first magazine. Any interested parties interested in helping please contact [northmarston@gmail.com](mailto:northmarston@gmail.com).

**Village Hall:**

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  1. Resolved: Cllr Mordue confirmed that the extension can be decorated and the floor screed on confirmation that the extension roof is 100% watertight. The extension folding doors will be fitted asap. Cllr Mordue confirmed he is waiting for quotes for the disabled toilet in the Schorne Room.
  2. Agreed to obtain a second quote off Robert Dancer for the replacement of the bench around the Chestnut tree.
* **Sportsfield**

Resolved: Following the incident of a dog at the Sportsfield running up to and scratching a parishioner it was agreed that the Sportsfield should go ahead and put up signs to ensure dogs are kept under control.

**73/18 Finance:**

* Resolved: The 2nd microgrant that can be applied for before September 2018 could be towards SID traffic calming/disabled toilet or chestnut tree bench.
* Resolved: E.On will continue to be the supplier of the village’s electricity.
* Agreed Clerk payment for the contribution to the magazine will be discussed outside of the meeting.

**Receipts and Payments of Accounts**

**The following cheques have been raised for the Parish Council**

001428 Urban Nature Construction £1696.98, £282.83 VAT included

001429 Clerk Salary £\*\*.\*\*, no VAT included

001430 Clerk expenses £300.87, £42.50 VAT included

001431 £17.85 Ian Wilkinson (NP Steering group), £3.75 VAT included

001432 E.On electricity 01/04/18-30/06/18 £442.50, £21.07 VAT included

001433 Lynch Garden Services £655, no VAT included

001434 The Cottesloe School (NMNP steering group) £30.00, no VAT included

001435 Michael Lane (NMNP steering group) £75.73, £12.56 VAT included

001436 Emma Lynch (to be transferred) £100.00, no VAT included

**The following cheques have been raised for the Village Hall**

DD E.on electricity VH £72.10, £3.43 Vat included

DD E.on electricity Schorne Room £20.96, £1.00 Vat included

000573 Bateman Construction £610.00, £102.00 VAT included

000574 Phillipa Job Party refund £50.00, no VAT included

CR Schorne Pre school £1,883.92, no VAT included

**The following cheques have been raised for the Sportsfield**

000575 James Radcliffe expenses £22.00, £1.80 Vat included

000576 100 club 1st prize Tam & Richard Butterworth £30.00, no Vat included

000577 100 club 2nd prize Sarah Howes £20.00, no Vat included

000578 100 club 3rd prize Rachel Callander £10.00, no Vat included

DD E.on electricity £34.36, £1.64 Vat included

**74/18 Posts and Consultations**

* BUCKSALC Training courses
* TFB Conference 4th July
* Registration & payment of data protection fees
* Ox-Cam Corridor from Scott Raven
* Devolved Services email

**75/18 Next Parish Council meeting:**

* September 11th 2018 Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall at 8pm

***Rachel Callander - Parish Council Clerk***