

A meeting of Wootton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Chairman: Cllr G Horton,
Cllr B Firth, Cllr P Styche, Cllr S Hare, Cllr C Simmonds,
R Campbell, Cllr B Atkinson,

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr P Clark, Cllr D Wells, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

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The Chairman welcomed Cllr Atkinson to his first parish council meeting.

2019/11/01: Apologies for absence : Cllr S Ormston,, Cllr R Hannigan,

2019/11/02: Declarations of interest on any agenda items : None.

2019/11/03: Adoption of the minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held on 17th September 2019

The minutes of the meetings held on 15th October 2019 were approved and adopted and signed by the chairman.

2019/11/04: Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th October 2019

- i) BT telegraph cable – Cherry lane – no further progress.
- ii) Road surface repairs – Triangular entrance to church – no further progress.
- iii) Missing street lamp – reported – awaiting response.
- iv) Pot holes - Swallow lane – repairs request reported.
- v) Footpath on Swallow lane – repairs request reported.
- vi) Pocket Park – N.L.C have indicated that they will inspect the area and advise accordingly.
- vii)Cherry lane - 'One way' – request submitted.
- viii)Cherry lane properties – The enforcement officer is aware of the continuing problems with these properties and is seeking legal advice.

2019/11/05: Planning Applications received

Opportunity for one person from each side to state within 3 minutes objections/support of contested applications.

No applications received

2019/11/06: Police Matters

- i) NATS meeting – Next meeting is scheduled for 9th January 2019. The NATS meeting procedure was explained to Cllr Atkinson.

2019/11/07: North Lincolnshire Council Matters:

- i. Report from NLC Ferry Ward Members: Cllr Clark advised the meeting that the Highways and Drainage departments at N.L.C are very busy. A discussion took place regarding the community speed watch initiative and Cllr Wells encouraged Wootton Parish Councillors to consider this scheme.

Planning Consultation – information received from Cllr Clark after the meeting that due to purdah the planning consultation will commence in January 2020.

- ii. New matters to consider: No new matters to consider.

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2019/11/08: Correspondence

- VANL – training course diary
- Rural Services Network – information
- North Lincolnshire Council – Forthcoming meetings
- ERNLLCA – emails.
- Email – Enforcement officer – properties on Cherry lane.
- Email – N.L.C – regarding Pocket Park.

2019/11/09: Finance

i) Accounts for payment:

PAYEE	Cheque no'	Amount
Mrs Karen Pickering (Clerk)	222301	144.31
Salary – October		
HMRC – October	222302	31.80
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	222303	50.00

INCOME RECEIVED: 0

The payment of the above accounts was proposed by Cllr P Styche, seconded by Cllr B Firth and unanimously agreed.

Bank Balance – after the above accounts have been paid the balance is £1,030.84

(VAT reclaim of £3,131.47 has been submitted but not confirmed as received as yet).

ii) To receive the income and expenditure sheet for the year to date indicating where expenditure is allocated during the year – to be circulated with minutes.

2019/11/10: Environmental and village issues:

a) The Pond – The clerk reported that the grant application result will be known next week. A discussion took place regarding the public meeting scheduled for tomorrow night to discuss the on-going maintenance plan for the pond. It was agreed that there appeared to be a swell of interest in improving and maintaining the pond and therefore the parish council is looking for a 'working party' to bring suggestions and ideas for the pond to the parish council and a plan of how these suggestions can be implemented. It would also be appreciated if the residents of the village were interested in raising funds to help maintain and preserve the pond. It was agreed that the responsibility for the pond lies with the Parish Council but residents and 'Friends of the Pond' should step forward to help with the maintenance of this village asset.

b) New village matters to report: It was noted that someone had placed dog waste bag dispensers around the village and it is hoped that dog owners use this facility to ensure the village is a clean and safe place to walk.

A discussion took place regarding the possibility of a young children's play area in the village. This subject has been regularly discussed over the years but the problem of a suitable piece of land has always been the issue. The parish council does not own any land on which to place such a play facility.

Cllr Hare asked the meeting about what the 'Pocket Park' quarry had been filled with – to create pocket park. The Chairman explained that it is nothing hazardous.

Cllr Simmonds provided the meeting with an OS map indicating the parish boundary of Wootton.

2019/11/11: Agenda items for next meeting

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2019/11/12: Date of next meeting: Tuesday 14th January 2019 – 7.00pm School Room

(Please note: One week earlier than usual).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.