

**2020/21 – 08**

**A ‘zoom’ meeting of Wootton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 7.00pm.**

**PRESENT: Chairman:** Cllr G Horton, Cllr’s P Styche, S Hare, B Atkinson, C Simmonds, S Ormston, R Campbell.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr D Wells and Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

**1: Apologies for absence :** Cllr B Firth, Cllr P Clark, Cllr R Hannigan.

The meeting agreed to provide dispensation to Cllr B Firth for 6 months, providing authorised absence from the council until January 2021.

**2: Declarations of interest on any agenda items :** None.

**3: Adoption of the minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020**

The minutes of the meetings held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020 were approved and adopted and signed by the chairman.

**4: Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020**

- i. Road surface repairs – Triangular entrance to church – This area has been patched – and N.L.C have advised that they are undertaking emergency repairs only.
- ii. Missing street lamp – reported – awaiting response.
- iii. Swallow lane – road and footpath repairs – N.L.C have advised that they are undertaking emergency repairs only.
- iv. Pocket Park – site meeting scheduled for Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August at 10.45am.

**5. Planning Applications received:**

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

**No planning applications received.**

A discussion took place regarding the proposed development off Swallow lane – of which the application has now been withdrawn. Cllr Atkinson advised the meeting that the ‘Stop the build’ signs would remain in place for the time being as the threat of this development is still there.

**6: Police Matters**

- I. Speeding vehicle through the village – This vehicle does not appear to be speeding through the village anymore.
- II. NATS meeting – Daniel Marsh is trying to schedule a ‘remote’ NATS meeting for the Ferry Ward and this is likely to take place in September.

**7: North Lincolnshire Council Matters:**

- i. Report from NLC Ferry Ward Members: Cllr Wells provided the meeting with a new Police contact for Barton Upon Humber Police Station and the clerk has circulated this to councillors. Cllr Wells advised the meeting that he would attend the site meeting at Pocket Park with N.L.C representatives and Cllr’s Simmonds and Atkinson.
- ii. New matters to consider: No new matters raised.

**8: Correspondence**

- VANL – training course diary
- Rural Services Network – information
- NALC – updates on parish council meetings – Face to Face/Zoom
- Heritage Open Days promotion.
- Countryside Voices magazine

**9: Finance**

i) **Accounts for payment:**

<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>Cheque no'</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Mrs Karen Pickering (Clerk) Salary – July	222336	140.91
HMRC – July	222337	35.20
Nettleton Mowing & Maint (Highway mowing)	222338	223.33
R S Gardening (grass cutting June)	222339	295.00
Sally Hare (Spring Plants)	222340	234.12

**INCOME : 0**

The payment of the above accounts was proposed by Cllr R Campbell, seconded by Cllr C Simmonds and unanimously agreed.

**Bank Balance – after the above accounts have been paid the balance is £16,489.57**

ii) To receive the income and expenditure sheet – circulated with minutes.

**10: Environmental and village issues:**

a) The Pond –

- i) Reed removal and pruning of pondside bushes – still waiting for a quotation from J Nettleton. J Nettleton expressed concern regarding the removal of the waste. It was suggested that a couple of large fertilizer sacks could be provided – filled and removed by a local farmer. Clerk to try and progress this.
- ii) Fish Stocks: Cllr Styche has spoken to a man who runs a fishing pond at Barton and he would be happy to come and remove some of the fish if that is what the parish council agreed was the best course of action. He is happy for the parish council to have some input into which fish are removed and which fish should stay in the pond. He felt the best time to remove fish would be at the end of the autumn period or in February. The meeting agreed that it would be a good idea to have the pond 'trawled' and assessed to establish exactly how many and what kind of species of fish are in the pond – Cllr Styche agreed to try and arrange this 'survey' which is likely to take place within the next couple of months.

b) Church Walk Way – This path has been tidied a little bit and is now passable but clerk to ask R Altoft to strim the bottom end of the walk way – near the gate – twice yearly.

- c) New village matters to report: The fence/barrier at the pondside needs painting. The meeting felt that it would be handy to find an odd job man for the village to undertake such tasks. A resident of the village has kindly mended the picnic table however it is rotten in places and will need replacement in due course.

Cllr Atkinson asked if the parish council should provide a floatation device at the pond. The meeting advised that these had been provided in the past but have been vandalised/stolen. Cllr Wells suggested that possibly a sign advising 'deep water' would suffice. Cllr Horton agreed to look at other local ponds to see if they have floatation devices and/or signs erected.

The hedge opposite the cemetery and the hedge at the west end of the village are overhanging the pavement and need cutting back.

The dog bin on Swallow lane (near the seat) looks a little shabby – councillors will inspect this month to see if it can be repainted or if it needs replacement.

It was noted that road resurfacing on Race Lane has been undertaken – which has left it treacherous.

Cllr Hare asked when the village newsletter should be restarted. It was agreed to wait until Autumn – hopefully schools will be back and some activities recommenced. It was reported that there have been several near misses with delivery drivers accessing the Hall from Vicarage Lane. Clerk to try and make some enquiries/progress on this matter.

Cllr Hannigan provided information that the 450 bus service would cease to operate on 29<sup>th</sup> August and a new service 'Just Go' would commence from 7<sup>th</sup> September. The Just Go service is a much improved Call Connect bus service and users can download the app at <https://www.justgonorthlincs.co.uk> or book their journeys on 01483 592959. The app should be available next week – week commencing 24/8/20. People will be able to make bookings on 'Just Go' from 31st August for a 7th September start. The Call Connect service will be available until 7th September. Clerk to post this new travel information on the website and notice boards.

## 11: Agenda items for next meeting

## 12: Date of next meeting: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020 – 7.00pm.

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