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A 'zoom' meeting of Wootton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 20th October 2020 at 7.00pm.

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

IN ATTENDANCE:, Cllr P Clark, Cllr R Hannigan and Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

1: Apologies for absence : Cllr B Firth, Cllr D Wells.

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

3: Adoption of the minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held on 15th September 2020

The minutes of the meetings held on 15th September 2020 were approved and adopted and signed by the chairman.

4: Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th September 2020

- i. Missing street lamp – reported – emergency work only being completed at present.
- ii. Pocket Park – Pocket Park has been fully mowed. The fence to the entrance of Pocket Park has come down and needs repair. Clerk to ask N.L.C to look at repairs to fencing at the park.
- iii. Floatation Device – Wootton Pond – Cllr Horton advised the meeting that a risk assessment on a village pond noted that there was minimal risk to the public and that a floatation device or signs are not necessary
- iv. 'Golden Rivers' – High Street – N.L.C have advised that 'Golden Rivers' were placed in the village in 2018 and the monitored traffic did not justify any further action. Wootton is unlikely to be allocated 'Golden Rivers' in the near future. Cllr Hannigan asked the meeting what they wanted to achieve and how would they like to achieve this. It was noted that the problem was just one or two vehicles speeding through the village – it was suggested that the registration numbers of the vehicles be taken and reported to The Police who would visit the drivers and ask them to drive more considerately through the village. Cllr Hannigan also advised that he would make enquiries into sourcing some local signs advising drivers to slow down through villages.
- v. Cherry Lane properties – N.L.C have advised that they feel they have done everything possible (including court proceedings) to get the owner of these properties to make improvements. It was noted that the parish council has been reporting problems with these properties for over ten years. A discussion took place regarding compulsory purchasing of the properties. Cllr Hannigan asked for all the information relating to these properties be sent to him and he will take this matter up with the relevant parties at N.L.C.

5. Planning Applications received:

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

a) Application PA/2020/1457 – Application for determination of the requirement for prior approval for an increase in height of existing agricultural building – Wootton Grange Farm, Wold Road, Wootton.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.**

6: Police Matters

- I. NATS meeting – A remote meeting has not be scheduled as yet.

7: North Lincolnshire Council Matters:

- i. Report from NLC Ferry Ward Members: Cllr Clark advised the meeting that a new bus stop adjacent The Nags Head has been proposed for the Humber Flyer bus. This is currently under consultation but hopefully will be implemented. Two further bus stops in Ulceby are also under consultation.
- ii. New matters to consider: Street lamp, post 11 on Cherry lane is working intermittently. Two road signs on Wold Road are leaning over – it appears they have been hit with an implement or vehicle.

8: Correspondence

- Rural Services Network – information
- ERNLLCA newsletter
- ERNLLCA/NALC – various information emails
- CPRE – newsletter.
- Internal Audit advertising for town and parish councils.
- Quotation – work at pondside

9: Finance

i) **Accounts for payment:**

PAYEE	Cheque no'	Amount
Mrs Karen Pickering (Clerk) Salary – September	22347	375.53
HMRC – September	22348	93.80
Nettleton Mowing & Maint (Highway mowing)	22349	446.66
R S Gardening	22350	230.00
Kyanite Consulting – website	22351	147.16
Royal British legion	22352	50.00

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 £15,763.56

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

10: Environmental and village issues:

- a) The pond:
- i) To give consideration to the quotation to remove the tree and tidy pondsides near the railing and remove a self set tree - £300.00
IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to accept this quotation.
 - ii) Fish stocks – A number of sizeable fish have been removed and a few more will be removed in March/April to try and control the fish levels in the pond and prevent the fish suffering in cramped conditions. Cllr Styche will report on a monthly basis with regard to fish stocks in the pond.
 - iii) Reed removal – It was agreed to wait until next spring to evaluate the reeds around the pond and whether further reeds need removing.
 - iv) Information Board – Pondsides – to report progress on this initiative. Cllr Horton reported on information he had received from Humber Nature who had suggested that residents take photographs to form an information board and perhaps use a QR code to then receive information on species and plants at the pond. Cllr Atkinson suggested that the school be involved in producing an information/display board and that it could be sited within the picnic area. It was agreed that Cllr Atkinson would liaise with the village school and report back to the next meeting.
 - v) Bulb Planting – The bulbs have been planted – the meeting expressed their thanks to Cllr Hare for organising this bulb planting initiative.

b) New Village Matters: Cllr Hare asked if the grey barrel with a lid – sited near the salt bin – is serving any useful purpose. The meeting agreed that it could be disposed of – Cllr Ormston agreed to dispose of it.

Cllr Ormston advised the meeting that dog fouling is evident again – in most areas of the village.

A discussion took place regarding a village newsletter but it was agreed that there wasn't very much to report at the present moment in time.

The 'slow down' road sign near the pond has become overgrown – Cllr Horton agreed to ask for this to be made visible by the property owner whose vegetation is obscuring the sign.

Cllr Simmonds advised that the 'Give Way' white lining is very faded at the Vicarage Lane junction and that much of the white lining in the village needs renewing. Cllr Hannigan agreed to arrange a meeting (if possible) with a highways officer, himself and Cllr Simmonds to inspect all the white lining in the village and if possible arrange for some works to be undertaken.

A discussion took place regarding the track at pondsides which leads to the bungalow. It was noted that the parish council is responsible for the pond and bank but not the track.

11: Agenda items for next meeting

12: Date of next meeting: Tuesday 17th November 2020 – 7.00pm.

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