

Norton Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting

held on Tuesday 12th March 2024 at 7:00pm in the Village Hall

Present:

Councillors: Kim Russell (Chairman), David Birtles, Mark Griffiths (co-opted during this meeting), Jackie Jones, Steph Goulden, Chris Thomas

In attendance: Emma Fontaine (Clerk/RFO), Cllr David James (WNC)

12.03.720	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
12.03.721	There were no requests for dispensation from members of the Council.
12.03.722	There were no declarations of interest.
12.03.723	It was RESOLVED to co-opt Mark Griffiths to Norton Parish Council. The Clerk will ensure the relevant paperwork is filed with West Northants Council and will provide Cllr Griffiths with dates for the 'Off To A Flying Start' course. ACTION: Cllr Griffiths/Clerk.
12.03.724	Public Open Forum WNC Councillor James provided an update on WNC matters.
12.03.725	Cllr Paybody was not present this meeting.
12.03.726	It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13 th February 2024 as a true and accurate record of the matters discussed.
12.03.727	Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The payments listed in Addendum A were reviewed and approved.• The bank balances of the bank accounts were recorded as at today's date, 12th Marcg 2024. The current account balance was £5,314.80. The reserves account balance was £14,545.05. The combined total was £19,859.85.
12.03.728	Regarding planning application 2024/0641/FULL, it was RESOLVED to provide the following feedback to the Planning Officer: <i>Norton Parish Council have no comments to make on the additional building. We agree with the Planning Officer's observations communicated to us referencing the road across open farmland and support the proposed route via the blue line document shared with us on 6th March 2024.</i>
12.03.729	Village Hall Cllr Russell updated on the suggested timeline for the lease agreement with the Village Hall group. The Council thanked the volunteers for their efforts thus far.
12.03.730	Safeguarding Policy It was RESOLVED to adopt the draft Safeguarding Policy last meeting.
12.03.731	Goulden's View Street Light It was RESOLVED to further query with Eon the issue of the Gouldens View street light and the supply from the street light in to a neighbouring property. ACTION: Clerk. The Clerk will further query with Eon whether the suggested Daventry Road street light can be powered from the same side of the road it is proposed the light is positioned on (given the previous light was). ACTION: Clerk.
12.03.732	Highways and Speed Issues Updates

	<p>It was RESOLVED to ask Turners if they have any contacts who could wire the speed sign to the street light, given no other Electrician has provided a quote thus far. ACTION: Chairman.</p> <p>Cllr Birtles provided an update on the WNC devices.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED not to progress the installation of yellow lines in the village to ease parking issues along Daventry Road as a result of inconsiderate parking.</p>
12.03.733	It was RESOLVED for Cllr Griffiths to be the primary contact relating to the website.
12.03.734	It was RESOLVED to contact VINCI Facilities and advise the area of land referenced in their recent communication does not belong to the Parish Council. ACTION: Clerk.
12.03.735	<p>Councillor Roles & Responsibilities</p> <p>As above, it was RESOLVED that Cllr Griffiths will be the primary contact regarding the website.</p>
12.03.736	The meeting closed at 8.20pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 9th April 2024 in the Village Hall.