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Minutes of the Meeting of Spratton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 15th October 2019 in Spratton Village Hall, Spratton at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs John Hunt (Chair), Lydia Crawford Colin Donnelly, Denise Fry and Sally Wilkes.

In attendance: Emma Gibson Clerk and 3 members of the public.

Apologies: None.

155.19 PUBLIC FORUM: Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council at its Open Forum. 15 minutes. Speakers have up to 3 minutes each.

- **Speed Cameras:** Queries regarding speed cameras regarding the speed at which it triggers being too low below 40mph. Council are aware of this and looking into it. Council are also making enquires to get a post installed at Smith Street so the cameras maybe used there are also underway.

156.19 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE- None.

157.19 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR: No applications received.

158.19 RESOLUTION TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUES 17TH SEPTEMBER 2019. Council **RESOLVED** to approve.

160.19 RESOLUTION TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL CONFIDENTIAL SESSION HELD ON TUES 17TH SEPTEMBER 2019. Council **RESOLVED** to approve.

161.19 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (if any) – For Information only: None.

162.19 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATION REQUESTS FOR RELEVANT ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

To receive

1. Non-pecuniary : None
2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interest : None

163.19 RESOURCES (STAFFING AND STRATEGY) COMMITTEE

a) Income received

18/09/2019	Newsletter advert	£20.00
26/09/2019	DDC 2 nd Precept	£20,500.00
30/09/2019	Bank interest	£23.34

b) **Payment of outstanding invoices.** Parish Council resolution to approve those listed plus additional received between 9th October 2019 and 15th October 2019 (if any)

DATE	PAYEE	DETAIL	CHQ NO.	AMOUNT EX vat	VAT	TOTAL CHQ AMOUNT
25/10/2019	E Gibson	Oct Salary	BT			£752.90
25/10/2019	NEST	Pension contribution	DD			£56.37
25/10/2019	E Gibson	Homeworking allowance	BT			£18.00
16/10/2019	J Hunt	Mileage and newsletter delivery	BT			£41.00

04/10/2019	LGSS	LGSS	BT			£10,000.00
16/10/2019	R & G	Mowing	BT	£854.52	£170.90	£1025.42
22/10/2019	O2	Office phone	DD	£31.98	£6.40	£38.38
16/10/2019	ICO	Data Protection fee Annual	DD			£40.00
11/10/2019	Planning Portal	Application fee	BT			£142.00
25/10/2019	E Gibson	Mileage and expenses	BT			£28.35
16/10/2019	J Pye	Greenworks and maintenance	BT			£348.00
16/10/2019	Peacocks	Streetlighting repairs	BT	£123.73	£24.74	£148.87
16/10/2019	E.On	Streetlight electricity	BT	£213.39	£42.68	£256.07
25/10/2019	E Gibson	Homeworking allowance	BT			£18.00

c) Bank balances, Bank Reconciliations and Receipts and Payments report to 30th September 2019: Council **RESOLVED** to approve.

164.19 PLANNING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

a) Planning Applications to consider and make resolution – None

Application No.	Description	Location	Respond by	Case Officer
DA/2019/0664	Construction of detached dwelling with vehicular accesses and parking areas to service new and existing properties.	Police House, 25 Smith Street, Spratton	23.10.19	Anna Lee

DA/2019/0664: Council discussed at length and **RESOLVED** to respond that they did not have any comments or objections to this application. **ACTION:** Clerk to advise DDC.

DA/2019/0636: Appledown 10 The Walk, Spratton: Council **NOTED** this application had been withdrawn.

b) Planning application decisions to report (if any)-None

c) Planning appeals for information: None.

d) Planning Committee for information: None.

165.19 CHURCHYARD CEMETERIES AND OPEN SPACES (CCOS) ADVISORY GROUP

a) **Village Handyman:** Up-date to be received. Additional work (if any) – Rubbish from cuttings and branches left on the verge near The Walk and Holdenby Road, this has been reported by villagers. Council **RESOLVED** to instruct the village handyman to clear. **ACTION:** Clerk to contact the handyman.

b) **East View Cemetery Issues** (if any) to discuss and make resolution – None.

c) **Mowing/Maintenance Issues (if any)** – None.

d) **Defibrillator:** Up-date received. Pads need renewing on the REC device. Clerk and Cllr Crawford to look into.

166.19 NATURAL SPRATTON (including Spratton Pocket Park Advisory Group)

Parish Council to receive and consider update reports and Advisory Group recommendations in respect of the following: -

a) **Jubilee Wood** – Up-date received.

b) **Spratton Pocket Park** - Council received up-date.

c) **Proposal by Cllr Wilkes-** Cllr Wilkes proposed to remove Natural Spratton from a standing agenda item. Council **RESOLVED** to agree this will be reviewed on a monthly basis and added when necessary.

167.19 HIGHWAYS ADVISORY GROUP (including Street Lighting Advisory Group and Northampton Northern Orbital Consultation Sub-Committee)

a) **Streetlighting:** Up-date received. None.

b) **Speeding cameras:** Up-date received. Councillors discussed the locations of the new speed cameras and process for monitoring and moving cameras. Extra poles need adding to some areas as at present there is nowhere to mount the cameras, in particular in Smith Street. Councillors are in the process of making the necessary requests for this. Data is being gathered and reviewed and will be fully reviewed after Christmas to help the Council plan for longer term solutions to speeding within the village. Council wished to record their thanks to those Cllrs running this project and Mr David Wilkes for his help and assistance.

c) **Buses:** Update received, the number 60 is to cease on 28th October 2019 due to Centrebus closing its Corby depot. The tender process for this route has now been completed and UNO have secured the contract until 31st March 2020. Any additions costs are to be met by NCC.

168.19 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP: Parish Council to receive and consider any updated reports and Advisory Group recommendations.

a) **PCSO** – Cllr to discuss any priorities for the PCSO that can be passed on to the SPOC Mr Peter Hunt. None at present.

b) **Millennium garden-** Up-date received regarding the work to be done to the garden. Broomhill have agreed to sponsor a bench and the Council **RESOLVED** to provide the other bench to match for the garden. Council extended their thanks to Broomhill and a plaque will be added to the bench reflecting the gift to the village. **ACTION:** Clerk to order the benches.

- c) **Youth Club-** Council to review Youth Club arrangements and consider if any changes necessary. Council will review after the October session has been held to see how popular it is. To be added to November agenda for decision.

169.19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION (LGR): Up-date received.

1) Two new websites: Two new websites have been set up one for West Northamptonshire and one for North Northamptonshire, have been launched to carry news about the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR). The Structural Change Order (SCO), which gives legal effect to the reorganisation hasn't yet made it through Parliament. It has been confirmed that, subject to Parliamentary approval, the May 2020 local elections in Northamptonshire will be elections to the shadow unitary authorities, and will be held on the basis of three-member wards resulting in the North Northamptonshire Council having 78 members and the West Northamptonshire Council having 93 members. Those elected will from 1 April 2021 be members of the new unitary councils with their term ending in May 2025. From then there will be whole council elections every four years. The district council elections currently due on May 2020 will be cancelled, with the term of the existing councillors extended until the abolition of those councils.

The May 2020 elections to parish councils will proceed as planned with those elected serving to May 2025; parish council elections will then be aligned with the unitary councils' elections. The current understanding is that every parish and town council in Northamptonshire will have elections on 7 May 2020, and that councillors elected then will have a five-year term until May 2025. Thereafter the parish election cycle will be 2029, 2033, 2037 etc in line with the unitary councils. There is a small outstanding question as to whether the parish councils in the district of Daventry that were on a different electoral cycle to the norm have been adequately considered and this is being checked. It makes sense though for all parish elections in Northamptonshire to be aligned, so the working assumption, subject to final confirmation, is that all parishes in Daventry will have elections in May 2020 regardless of when their last ordinary election was.

The web sites are at <http://futurenorthantsnorth.org> and <http://futurenorthantswest.org>

170.19 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED- None.

REC Funday: Council asked members of the REC Committee in attendance if they could advise how much money was raised by the Funday. Cllrs have been asked by a number of participates and contributors to the event and villagers so stated it would be helpful to have a figure to feedback. The members of the REC Committee in attendance at the meeting stated that they were unable to furnish the Council with a figure or an approximate figure as this had not been agreed by the REC Committee. **ACTION:** Clerk to write to the REC Committee to request the information.

171.19 URGENT MATTERS FOR REPORT ONLY (Notified to the Chairman before the meeting): None.

172.19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 19th November 2019, 7.30 pm, Spratton Village Hall, School Road, Spratton.

Meeting closed 8.55

**Papers attached available on website but unfortunately, due to lack of space cannot be displayed on Noticeboard. Please contact Clerk if you would like to see any of the attached papers.*

Signed.....
Cllr J Hunt Chair to Spratton Parish Council

Date:

2019-20
Meeting dates

Tuesday 19th November 2019
Tuesday 17th December 2019
Tuesday 21st January 2020
February 2020 (to be agreed)
Tuesday 17th March 2020
Tuesday 21st April 2020
Tuesday 19th May 2020
Annual Village Meeting (to be agreed)