

**Minutes of a Meeting of Normanton on the Wolds Parish Council held at the  
Burnside Hall, Plumtree, on Tuesday May 21, 2019, at 6.45pm**

Couns. Kay Cutts, Chairman  
Aruna Day                      David Page  
Mike Westwood (A)          Jodi Gray

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott and five members of the public.

The first duty for all councillors attending was to sign their Declaration of Acceptance forms. As Coun. Westwood was not present the council agreed the extended time for him to sign the form be until the start of the next meeting of the council. The second form, the Declaration of Interests form had, said the clerk, to be signed within 28 days and returned to him.

The retiring chairman, Fiona Mason opened the meeting and asked for nominations for the position of chairman.

- 1] ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2019-20  
Coun. Key Cutts was elected chairman and Coun. David Page vice chairman
- 2] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: There were none
- 3] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: There were none
- 4] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING MARCH 19, 2019, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
- 5] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC  
A question was raised on the condition of footpaths in the parish, with concerns expressed on the overgrowth of the grassed sides being allowed to cover the surface and therefore reduce the width of the walking area. The condition of the footpath alongside the A606 road was of particular concern.
- 6] CLERK'S REPORT  
The council are currently two members short following the nominations for the elections due to May 2. If the council receives nominations for the positions before June 25 it does not need to go through the usual procedure of advertising the places and can fill them at a meeting. After June 25 it has to advertise the vacancies in the normal way.  
The police nationwide have put out a message on the need to avoid disturbing wildlife across the country. They are putting out a weekly twitter message up to November 1. The clerk was asked to pass on the information to members.
- 7] REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER  
There was a meeting of Rushcliffe Borough Council that evening, brought forward to clash with the parish council because of the European election on Thursday so apologies had to be given by the local members for not being able to attend the parish council.
- 8] CORRESPONDENCE  
Notts CPRE advised of its annual meeting Friday June 14 at Newark 6pm.  
75 VE Day commemoration events between May 8 – 10, 2020 were highlighted in a letter from Pageant Master Bruno Peek. It was agreed it should be an agenda item for the next meeting and the chairman asked members to give thought to how it could be recognised in Normanton.  
Rushcliffe Police Stakeholder update. The clerk said this had been circulated to members and the information in it provided a number of local incidents within the Borough.  
Information on the proposed merger of the NHS Clinical Groups within Nottinghamshire and Nottingham had been received and had been placed in the Circulation file.

Local resident Gordon Newlands had previously contacted the parish council in respect of speeding traffic on Cotgrave Road. The clerk said he was unaware of current action on a call by Mr. Newlands on behalf of some local residents for a lower speed limit, citing a number of accidents that had occurred over the years.

Rushcliffe Borough Council tree warden scheme launch at Rushcliffe Country Park June 22 from 11am – 3pm. Coun. Mrs Gray said she was interested and would be happy to take on the post of Tree Warden. The clerk would advise the Borough of this.

Via Notts County Council wrote in regard to the question of blockages on public paths on arable land because of crop overgrowths and asked the council to advise them on any such incidents.

9] PLANNING MATTERS

There were no current applications or decisions from Rushcliffe Borough Council. Members were reminded the Borough were no longer distributing paper copies of any applications. The clerk would advise them by email of any applications involving the parish and they should then look online for details of them.

10] FINANCE

AUTHORISE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS were approved as per the circulated list.

AUTHORISE THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (AUDIT AND ACCOUNT REGULATIONS 2015) was approved and signed by the chairman.

The meeting agreed to AUTHORISE AND APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR 2018-2019 as presented by the clerk.

Mr David Dixon, accountant at Keyworth, was re-elected the Internal Auditor.

The question of grant funding to the Burnside Hall at Plumtree would be considered at the next meeting.

11] NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE

The chairman would lead the compilation of the council newsletter and the clerk would continue to be responsible for information for the website.

The question of the possible reintroduction of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme for the village would be raised at the next meeting.

13] SOCIAL EVENTS

Ideas for social events were to be put forward at the next meeting. The chairman called for ideas from members. A suggestion was made for a Quiz Evening and Coun. Page said he would contact the chairman of Plumtree parish council with a view to a joint event with them.

14] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

The chairman spoke of the need to gain two new members to bring their total to the stipulated seven and asked for suggestions as to who might be approached. The chairman said she was happy to provide room for a number of council owned items such as Remembrance poppies, bunting, etc. currently held by the former chairman.

15] DATE FOR NEXT MEETING, JULY 16, with items to be raised to include grant funding for Burnside Hall, a Neighbourhood Watch scheme, footpath conditions, VE75 Day 2020, Cotgrave road speed limit, Co-option of new members, social events.