

**Minutes of a Meeting of Normanton on the Wolds Parish Council held at the Burnside Hall, Plumtree,
on Tuesday July 23, 2019, at 6.30pm**

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

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member Coun. Richard Butler, Rushcliffe Borough Council member Coun. Debbie Mason, and one member of the public.

Before the start of the meeting Coun. Westwood signed his Register of Members Interest form and Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

- 1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, WITH REASONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL Coun. Aruna Day
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING MAY 21 2019, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
- 4] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC, LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES
A resident raised the matter of weeds and growth on the footpath on The Leys and said he had reported the matter to Streetwise along with the growth of weeds etc on the pavement and path alongside the A606 road at the junction with Cotgrave Road.
- 5] CLERK'S REPORT
The council are currently two members short. Notices have been prepared for Coun. Page to display. He kindly takes responsibility for the notice boards.
The council are asked to consider how it deals with the VE75 event next May, all parish councils have been asked to mark the important milestone in the country's history. Friday May 8 will be a public holiday to allow all those who wish to take part in an event at 3pm that day, exactly the time Winston Churchill announced the ending of the war with Germany. There are three days set aside for events, May 8, 9 and 10. All churches are being asked to organise a service on the Sunday at 10:30am. A working party could be formed and an approach be made to Plumtree parish council to see if they would agree to a joint celebration.
- 6] REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER
Coun. Mason said it was a quiet time for the Borough. She explained free film events they were organising on Bridgford Park and spoke of the success of a recent event held in the Park at West Bridgford when some 7500 people had attended.
Coun. Butler spoke of the challenging times the County Council were facing on the financial side, saying the authority were having to meet very much increased expenditure to meet costs to cover children in care services. He spoke of the local concerns of traffic problems on Cotgrave Road and said he understood a petition was due to be handed in to the county. Coun. Butler said the larger scale housing development for Platt Lane at Keyworth had been approved by the Borough.
- 7] CORRESPONDENCE
RBC tree scheme. All parish councils have been offered 10 free trees for planting September and residents 2 free trees for use on their own land. The meeting was reminded by Coun. Page that the ten trees ordered last year by the council had not yet been delivered. It was agreed to order a further ten in addition to those awaited from last year. It was agreed to approach Mrs Elaine Clements [Lorraine Level] to see if she would take additional trees to the seven ordered for her last year.
James Lowe and Gordon Newlands wrote in regard to Cotgrave Road traffic and their fight to get a footpath and a lower speed limit.

Ged Fletcher reminded the council that it had a welcome pack programme for newcomers to the village. Coun. Page said he was happy to reinstate the system.

Fiona Carruthers, the council's webmaster, gave a quote for updating website to meet new accessibility requirements. It was agreed to accept the need for the project and to look again at it at the next meeting

8] ENVIRONMENT

- a) The problem of parking in the village on a recent Saturday evening and Sunday morning was discussed, with fears having been raised that the congestion was so severe the village bus service was suspended and there were concerns on whether an emergency vehicle would have been able to get through. There had been two events held in the village over the same weekend and these had created the traffic problem. The clerk was to write to the licensee at the public house to ask if it was possible to avoid such a clash with the annual charity event at Clements Farm.
- b) Coun. Gray commented on a survey of wild flowers across the grass verges and said she was willing to organise one in the village. She said she had attended the recent tree event organised by Rushcliffe Borough Council and had found it very useful and interesting. She suggested a working party be formed to undertake arrangements for a survey in the village.
- c) Planters at either end of the village were suggested and a request would be made for local residents to assist in the watering of them.
- d) The County Council Policy regarding grass verge cutting was raised. The chairman said the County were looking at the service they give and it was being suggested they undertaken one width cut from the road side to ensure safety measures and to leave the growth further back from the road.
- e) Environmental improvements to the village were generally discussed but no decisions taken.

9] PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council decision

18/02788/ful. The Orchard, Old Melton Rd. Construct replacement dwelling following demolition of existing. Grant.

10] FINANCE - PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS were approved as per the circulated list

Coun. Westwood and the clerk completed a form aimed at removing Coun. Mason from the list of cheque signatories for the council.

11] NEWSLETTER WEBSITE, FACEBOOK

The chairman confirmed she would produce a newsletter for printing during the middle of August. The question of the website and Facebook would be on the agenda for the next meeting.

12] AMENITIES

Nothing was raised.

13] SOCIAL EVENTS

The idea of a quiz night or s Street party was to be looked at.

14] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

Nothing was raised.

15] DATE FOR NEXT MEETING, SEPTEMBER 17

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50pm.

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