Norton and Cuckney Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Norton and Cuckney Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th June, 2016 in the Norton and Cuckney Village Hall, Norton Lane, Cuckney, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

Present Cllr David Alvey

Cllr Keith Barlow

Cllr David Collins Chairperson of the Council

Cllr Lee Ann Morton Cllr Judith Reynolds Cllr Georgina Smith Cllr Mike Smith

Mr Malcolm Plumb Acting Clerk of the Council

Also present County Cllr John Ogle

(No Residents of the Parish in attendance)

022/16-17 Proposed improvements to the A60/A616

County Councillor Kevin Greaves (Chair of the County Council Transport/Highways Committee had been invited to attend the meeting but was not present. No discussions/comments were therefore considered under this item of business. Council Clerk to make further contact with Councillor Greaves.

023/16-17 Apologies for absence

Cllr Sheila Brailsford Cllr Sharna Penarski

Cllr Kevin Dukes (Bassetlaw District Council)

024/16-17 <u>Declarations of interests</u>

No declarations of interests were made by attending Councillors in respect of items of business specified in the meeting's agenda.

025/16-17 Minutes

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the 2016 Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 11th May, 2016 were adopted as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairperson.

- Minute No. 006/16-17. Final paragraph first line. Delete "Sharma" and substitute "Sharna"
- Minute No. 010/16-17. First line, delete "???" and substitute "Wendy Davis".

- Minute No. 017/16-17. Final line. Delete "M" and substitute "Sharna"
- Minute No. 020/16-17. Final bullet point. Delete "UNESCO" and substitute "TESCO".
- Minute No. 021/16-17. First line. Delete "9th" and substitute "8th"

026/16-17 Update reports from May 2016 Annual Parish Council Meeting

- 1. **Minute 011**. Renewal of insurance policy now completed.
- 2. **Minute 012**. Approved Accounts for 2015/16 now submitted to External Auditors (Grant Thornton, Liverpool) and receipt received.
- 3. **Minute 014**. Further consultations concerning inconsiderate parking of vehicles have taken place.
- 4. **Minute 016**. Spraying work by Street Cleaners now deemed sufficient. To be reviewed for next year's budget.
- 5. **Minute 019**. School sign not yet installed. On-going item.

The meeting **noted** the foregoing reports.

027/16-17 Open session for Members of the Public

No items or matters were brought under this item of business from Members of the Public (none present).

However, County Cllr John Ogle gave an informative report which included the following.

- Licensing of vehicles from <u>County</u> Residents using the County Councils refuse collection Centres.
- Sheffield's Regional proposals (Highways, buses, business grants, spatial planning etc.) including possible "referendum" request.
- Review of Hospital and Health Care Services in Bassetlaw.
- Review of Electoral Wards. (Cuckney/Norton proposed for "Worksop South" Ward).

The meeting **noted** these reports.

028/16-17 <u>Financial Matters</u>

The meeting approved the following payments

	S Pemberton	Pay	£316.80p
	R Wass	Pay	£109.40p
	HMRC	PAYE	£ 27.40p
	BDC (Norton Skip)	Hire	£ 86.00p
	Playdale Inspections	Play Equipment £234.00p.	
	Cllr D Alvey	Expenses	£ 40.13p
M Plumb (Acting Clerk) Expenses		£ 20.40p	
	M Plumb	Pay	£165.00p
	Flower Boxes	Maintenance	£ 35.94p.

029/16-17 Approval of final budgetary allocations

The meeting reviewed the internal allocations of budgetary headings for the current financial year and **noted** the estimated end of year balances. Councillors were conscious of the difficulties in predicting particular items future expenditure/income (e.g. Neighbourhood planning costs/grants, projected car park costs etc.)

After some discussion, it was **agreed** to continue to monitor the position each month and to acquire more estimates of items, as and when necessary. It was further **agreed** that the Parish Council will consider applications for grants up to the budgetary limits which are supported by appropriate justifying evidence.

030/16-17 Unity Trust Bank Account.

Cllr David Alvey reported upon changes to bank charges by the Parish Council's current Bankers. These had increased to £6 per month ei. £72 per year.

After some discussion it was **resolved** to retain the present Bank account for the current financial year.

031/16-17 Planning matters

The meeting **noted** that no new planning applications/decisions were listed on the District Councils web site. However a report was received that a notice had been displayed on a local Pub concerning a proposal to erect an outside bar in a beer garden. After discussion, no concerns were expressed by Councillors if such a proposal was intended.

032/16-17 Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor David Collins, Chair of the Steering Group reported that Historic England had formally objected to the Budby Road development proposals and had indicated its intention to object to the whole plan, if this site continues to be included in the Plan. Efforts to persuade Historic England to withdraw this objection had failed and the Steering Group had reluctantly decided to withdraw this proposal from the Plan. Appropriate amendments were now being incorporated to the Plan.

After discussion, the meeting **noted** this report.

033/16-17 Highways and public services reports

The meeting received and **noted** reports of potholes occurring in Bakers Lane and near to No 2, RAF House.

034/16-17 Weed spraying in the Village

Item reported previously under minute no 026.

035/16/17 Provision of salt bins. Review

The meeting debated the question of <u>where</u> salt bins were needed and how many were required. Ideally three might be needed in Norton and three more in other areas. Location sites were suggested at the Triangle and outside the Packhorse.

After discussion, it was **agreed** to leave the final decision until the October 2016 meeting, when the Parish Councils financial position was clearer.

036/16-17 Tesco grants. Review

The meeting discussed the grants position in respect of the following projects.

- Community Garden footpath.
- Replacement of soft ground surfacing for the Playground

The work of the Cuckney Recreation Support Group and the need to obtain any necessary consent from Welbeck Estates was **noted** by the meeting. It was further **agreed** to consider the question of playground equipment maintenance at the next (July 2016) meeting of the Parish Council

037/16-17 Appointment of (permanent) Clerk to the Council

The Chairperson reported that following the NALC advertisement, two Candidates had expressed an interest in the vacancy. After discussion, it was agreed that the Chairperson and Cllr Georgina Smith be authorised to interview both Applicants and to report back to either the July or September Parish Council meetings.

038/16/17 Date and time of next Parish Council meeting.

After discussion, it was **agreed** to change the date/time of the next meeting to **Wednesday 20th July, 2016**, commencing at **either 7.00pm or 7.30pm** (depending upon the possible re arranged visit by County Cllr Kevin Greaves). Clerk to advise Councillors shortly.

There being no further business, the Chairperson thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 9.30pm.