

## Northmoor Parish Council

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday 13 July 2022**

### **Parish Council Members taking part**

Dr G Shelton - Chairman

Mrs V Ryan

Mrs Carrie Berry

Mr N Reeves

Dr M Sears

Mr M Ryan (Clerk)

**Councillors and Public who joined the meeting.** County Councillor Dan Levy, District Councillors Lysette Nicholls and Charlie Maynard, Mrs Julie Williams and son

**Apologies.** None

**Declarations of Interest.** There were no declarations of interest

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 8 June 2022 had been previously circulated to Parish Councillors. The Minutes were accepted as a true record.

### **Matters Arising.**

The Clerk reported that he had questioned the Section 106 monies of £25,000 payable to the Northmoor Village Hall via the Parish Council, on the grounds that the Parish Council were not consulted on whether they would agree to act as the intermediary, were not responsible for how the monies would be spent by the Village Hall Committee and did not wish to increase their annual turnover above £25,000 as it would incur costs. The District Council has referred this to their legal dept.

### **Item 4. Reports from Councillors.**

County Councillor Dan Levy's written report opened on the news that Covid cases were on the rise, we should stay safe, learn to live with Covid and take precautions when necessary.

The cost of living crisis affects everyone but more so in rural communities, and the cap that regulates gas and electricity does not include bottled gas and heating oil. The County is lobbying Government to enable the Council to offer some support.

The County has adopted a "Vision Zero" to eliminate road deaths and serious injuries in the County. This seeks to improve the safety of walking and cycling on our roads, and to that effect he met with Chairman Graham and the Clerk to identify where speed limits could be reduced.

On the A40 project Dan is keen to see an improvement within the scheme to make crossing between Eynsham and Salt Cross safe and convenient, and there are moves to improve access to the A40 at Cogges.

There was a discussion about reducing the current speed limits of 30 and 40 mph to 20 mph and it was agreed to register our interest in getting added to the County scheme. Councillors would also like to see all the current 60 mph speed limits on the single-track roads leading into the village from Cow Lane, Bablockhythe and Moreton Lane reduced to 30 mph to allow parishioners to safely walk on the roadways.

District Councillor Lysette Nicholls reported on the continuing challenges of getting Thames Water to stop releasing sewage into our watercourses.

District Councillor Charlie Maynard reported that he had spoken to William Gascoyne on the issue of the drying up of the brook in Northmoor, and that the upper stretch needs to be improved.

Charlie was also involved with Thames Water and was also increasingly concerned about the state of our roads and potholes.

Parish Councillor Maureen Sears reported that the annual flower and produce stall will be held again this September.

Parish Councillor Carrie Berry spoke about production costs of printing and distributing the new Northmoor Survey to some 220 dwellings with the assistance of Community First. Carrie believed this will cost some £2/3K. She was planning to hold three events in September October to publicise the survey.

#### **Item 5. Update on Issues for consideration and actions**

The speed of road traffic was covered in the County Councillor's report and discussion that followed.

**Item 6 Open item for Parishioners.** There were no items raised by parishioners.

#### **Item 7. Finance**

The Council confirmed payments to: -

Scott Gillam invoice for work on the Playing Field £290

Purchase of a bench to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee from the Frosts Group £575.

#### **Item 8. Planning.**

**22/01774/HHD and 22/01775LBC (also 22/01777HHD and 22/01778)** Mr and Mrs Winand, Rectory Farm. Single Storey extension and general works. The plans for the changes to Rectory Farm were circulated amongst Councillors and the changes discussed. No objections were raised to these applications.

#### **Item 9 Correspondence**

**Monitoring Officer for WODC.** Adoption of Revised Code of Conduct. The revised code had been circulated to Councillors and it was agreed the Northmoor Parish Council would adopt the new code.

#### **Item 9. Any Other Business.**

There was no other business.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Signed..... Date ...10 August 2022