

Northmoor Parish Council

**Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 11 September 2019
Northmoor Village Hall**

Parish Council Members Present

Dr G Shelton - Chairman
Mrs A Adams
Mrs S Woolford
Mr M Ryan (Clerk)

Apologies. Parish Councillors Maureen Sears and Peter Winder, County Councillor Charles Mathew and District Councillors Hilary Fenton and Steve Good.

Public Present

Parishioners Mr David Elvin, Mr John Waterfield and Valerie Ryan.

Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 12 June 2019 had been previously circulated to Parish Councillors. The Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising.

The last meeting was some three months previous and there were no matters arising

Item 4/5 Reports from Councillors and Matters Parishioners wish to raise.

Chairman Graham Shelton reported that the Village Hall Annual Return to the Charitable Commission had been made and been accepted by the Commission.

Item 6. Finance

The Clerk reported the following payments had been made.

Cheques

9 July	£8,000 loan to the Village Hall to assist in covering the payment for the video equipment prior to the grants being paid. This was subsequently promptly repaid when the grant came through.
6 August	£360 to Scott Gillam for grass cutting in May and June.
18 August	£44.44 to Castle Water for water to the allotments.

In addition, after many and lengthy exchanges with the bank, payments can now be made by way of Bank Transfer. The system requires the Clerk to set up the payment and then either Graham (currently) or Peter to authorise it.

Bank Transfer

4 September £480 to Scott Gillam for grass cutting in July and August.

The Council approved the payment of £39.50 to Christ Church for the six-month allotment rent.

The current position in the bank was a current account of £3152.92, an increase due to receipt of Precept of £2162.50 from WODC. The saving account was £9096.87.

The Clerk also reported that he had the full cost of installing an outdoor table tennis table in the playing field.

The quote for a concrete base is	£685
The cost of the table	£679
12 bats and balls	£ 45.75
<u>A total of</u>	<u>£1409.75</u>

A request would be made to WODC for monies from the Park Farm development S106 fund to cover this cost.

Item 7. Planning.

The following planning applications had been made during the period since the last meeting.

19/02080/FUL. Erection of single storey rear extension. Mr and Mrs Lewis-Rippington, 13 Park Farm Place. The Clerk advised the District Council that there were no objections from the Parish Councillors.

OCC Planning. Aggregate Recycling Facility. D & M Hire Ltd at Dix Pit. The Clerk wrote objecting to this Application for three reasons, an increase in HGV traffic, potential noise and dust contamination. The County gave consent to the Application.

16/00083/PENF Siting and use of mobile home. Mr M Prickett at Mount Pleasant Farm. Mr Prickett has appealed

18/00012/PENF Change of use of agricultural land to storage of non-agricultural items. Mr M Prickett, at Mount Pleasant Farm. Mr Prickett has appealed.

The following application was considered

19/02473/FUL Erection of Stables. Mr & Mrs Elvin, Brook Farm. There were no objections to this application.

19/02535/HHD Construction of Four Bay Garage with room above. Mr & Mrs Grant, 15 Griffiths Close. This application was deferred for consideration to the October meeting.

Correspondence

Review of Correspondence received since last meeting.

Age UK. Notice of an event on 8 October “lets talk loneliness: unlocking the power of communities.”

WODC. West Oxfordshire Town & Parish Forum on 10 October.

OCC. Consultation on Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan ends 2 October 2019. The Clerk had written to Charles Mathew noting that an application from Hanson for an area adjacent to Stonehenge to be included in the Plan starting in 2024 was unlikely to start within the timeframe ending in 2030, based on their progress in starting Stonehenge.

OCC. Improving transport along the A40 Corridor. A meeting held at Eynsham in which there was little support for the scheme.

OCC. Open day on 5 October relating to highway maintenance at Deddington depot.

WODC. Consultation on preferred options for the “Garden Village proposal at Eynsham. This consultation ends on 11 October.

There were a number of journals and advertising literature sent to the Council since the last meeting.

Any Other Business.

The matter of the state of the lasher that resides in Brook Farm that controls the division of the water from the brook that passes both through the village and through the fields to the south of Standlake Road that water the stock between Northmoor and the Thames was discussed by Councillors with David Elvin of Brook Farm and John Waterfield. David reported that there is a need for the planks of the lasher to be renewed, not a simple job; and the flow managed so as to prevent water overflowing within the grounds of Brook Farm in order for this water to travel through the village. It was clear that there was a need to involve the expertise of the Environment Agency even if they had financial pressures on other schemes that would reduce it as a priority matter.

There being no other business the Meeting ended at 9.10 pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is due to take place on Wednesday 9 October 2019.

Signed.....Date...11/09/2019