

Notton Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 2nd February 2023-
7.30pm, Notton Village Hall.

Present:- Cllr Taylor (Chair) Cllr Pywell, Cllr Callaghan, Cllr Jagger and Cllr Hicks.

Clerk to the Council:- Andrew Woodhead

District Councillors:- Cummings and Ali

Members of the Public:- Eleanor Turner

**155/0223-To receive comments or questions from members of the public attending
Ms reported:**

a)-Power cuts; it was stated that a series of short power cuts continued to plague the village causing issues with electrical equipment requiring resetting. Cllr Pywell stated that he was in communication with Northern Powergrid and discussions were ongoing, however this was now getting to the stage where the ombudsman may need to get involved as the issue was not being addressed.

b)-Speeding; it was noted that a traffic report from 2014 stated that 1000 vehicles over a period of eight days travelled through the village. It was stated that there are currently over 1000 vehicles per day through the village. A request to consider a 20mph speed limit for the village was made.

c)-It was reported that there are several ruts within the road surface of George Lane as it passes through the village, these are hazardous to Cyclists as they run along the length of the road, it was noted that the surface in general was poor, could this be addressed please.

d)-It was noted that many of the white lines from the roads had worn off, it was asked if once repaired the white lines can be repainted please

e)-The hedge has been cut along George Lane, down to the A61 the clippings are all over and are adding to the growing accumulation of debris that encroaches the footpath, causing it to almost vanish in places from the village to the A61, it was asked if it could be cleared as the foot path is narrow when it is clear.

f)-Over grown trees and hedges at various locations where states as problematic, District Councillor Ali stated he would report the matter in for action as required.

g)-Fly tipping on Smawell Lane was reported, it was noted that this was a hot spot and a request was made to find some way to address the issue.

h)-It was asked if White Lines could be repainted on the A61 From Newmillerdam to the boundary of Barnsley.

Ms Turner was thanked for her contribution

156/0223-To receive and consider apologies for absence.

No apologies received.

157/0223-To receive any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest

None.

158/0223-To receive parish information from District Councillors/inform the District Councillors of Parish issues.

District Councillor Cummings reported:

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- a)-Secker Lane overhanging hedge 286325 28 days expired, Streetscene to do the work and recharge the owners.
- b)-Applehaigh Lane Street Plate 301665 Sign bracket broken, sign facing wrong way. Now repaired.
- c)-30 mph signs 301667 signs before chicane need replacing. New signs now fitted.
- d)-Footpath repair programme 301668 Right hand side from Manor Close to the Green, potholes, footprints, dog paw marks in the newly laid tarmac. Site included in repair programme.
- e)-Overgrown Hawthorn hedge 301669 Manor House Farm, George Lane. Notice served (21 days) to rectify.
- f)-Blocked Manhole 301794 Smawell Lane, arrange meeting for highways engineer to discuss solution to flooding. Cllr Taylor met Rob Fyfe, works required and it is hoped they will be done when works along Grimpit Hill are undertaken (If resources allow).
- g)-District Councillor Cummings sent her apologies in advance for the March and April meetings on Notton Parish Council.

Parish Councillors reported:

- i)-A large pile of 50 or so dog poo bags at the entrance of Haw Park Woods (Cold Hiendley side) which require removal please.
- ii)-Could a litter pick be arranged for both sides of the A61 from Newmillerdam to the Boundary with Barnsley be arrange please, this is litter thrown out of cars using the route.

159/0223-To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 5th January 2023 as a true and accurate record.

Resolved to approve the minutes of the 5th January 2023 meeting of the Parish Council as a true and accurate record.

160/0223-Highways Matters

a)-To consider the upgrade to Smiley SID unit.

Resolved to upgrade the Smiley SID unit to enable it to record covert information for comparative data use for the benefit of the Highway Committee. Councillor Jagger offered to place the order.

b)-Update on the Committee and way forward

It was reported that an informal meeting to determine the remit had been held and a reported was presented to the Council by Councillor Pywell. The Council thanked Councillor Pywell for the report and stated that the Highways Committee needs to ensure that it is not drawn in to the 20mph debate as there were other considerations, and we want to see a positive outcome which address Notton specific issues.

161/0223-Planning Matters

a)-To consider planning validated applications.

Nothing to report.

b)-To receive information on planning decisions.

22/02221/FUL, 92 George Lane, Mr J Wesley, Demolition of existing garage and summer house for a single storey extension to front and side. Application approved; Noted.

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c)-To receive information on appeals.

Nothing to report.

162/0223-Financial Matters

a)-To approve accounts for payment for January 2023

The following items were noted and payment approved.

PAYMENTS JANUARY 2023

Date	Item	Payee	£
5th Feb	Clerks Salary	A Woodhead	214.59
5th Feb	PAYE (Clerk)	HMRC	53.65
5th Feb	Queens Green Canopy Plaque	A Woodhead	108.00
5th Feb	Police Safe Scheme	West Yorkshire Combined Authority	276.54
		Total	652.78

b)-To receive information on receipts & expenditure

It was noted that Allotment rental for £12.50 has been received the month. Copies of the Accounts were circulated prior to the meeting.

c)-To receive the bank reconciliation

The Bank reconciliation was presented to the Council the following was noted and accepted.

Bank Reconciliation

Notton Parish Council

£

Cash brought forward from 2021-2022	5276.07
Income to date	18326.63
Total	23602.70
Expenditure to date	12895.77
Current Balance	10706.93

Updated 29th Jan 2023

uncashed chqs	214.59
and payments	53.65
not on statement	108.00
or awaiting	276.54
authorisation	214.59
	53.65
Total	921.02

Date 29th January 2023

STATEMENT NUMBER after 228

Bank Balance	11627.95
Payments pending	921.02
Balance	10706.93

d)-To receive the current budget

The current budget was presented to the Council, the Budget was noted and accepted.

e)-To consider a third Councillor to authorise Bank Payments

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It was stated that the Council currently had two members who could authorise payments, as two were the minimum, it was requested that a third be added, should one of the two currently be indisposed. It was noted that the third person would only be used if circumstances required, and the two current Councillors would be required to authorise as at present.

Resolved that Councillor Marc Callaghan be added to the list of people able to authorise payment from the Notton Parish Council, Unity Trust, Bank Account. The Clerk was instructed to complete the paperwork required.

f)-To consider the appointment of the Internal Auditor

Our internal auditor has resigned at short notice, The clerk presents two quotes for the internal audit.

Resolved to appoint Julie Winham as the internal auditor for Notton Parish.

163/0223-To consider correspondence and take action where necessary.

The following correspondence has been shared with Councillors prior to the meeting:

- NFP Workshops- Training dates
- YLCA WEBSITE – Councillors log-in updated (please retain this e-mail as it contains a new password)
- YLCA WEBINAR TRAINING PROGRAMME JANUARY TO MARCH 2023
- NFP Workshops- Courses in January and February 2023
- YLCA- Future of Transport Webinar Session - Wednesday, 11 January
- YLCA- White Rose Bulletin 6 January 2023 and Training & Discussion Forum Bulletin
- NFP Workshops- Courses in Jan, Feb, Mar and Apr 2023
- WMDC- CIL Formula
- YLCA- Public Rights of Way (PROW) Webinar - Tuesday, 17 January
- YLCA Bulletins - 13 January 2023
- Janet Bennett- Internal Audit
- NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin 20 January 2023
- Gallagher, Are you taking a proactive approach to your cyber risk?
- YLCA- Dealing with complaints and difficult situations webinar
- NALC Parliamentary briefing- Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill- Lords second reading 17 January 2023
- E-mail regarding costs of Coronation Benches
- Latest news and support from rradar
- YLCA- Grants – Policies, Procedures and Powers Webinar - Wednesday, 1 February
- YLCA- Councillors Discussion Forum - Thursday, 26 January
- NFP Workshops- Courses in Jan, Feb, Mar and Apr 2023
- YLCA Training Bulletin and Discussion Forums & Vacancies Bulletin
- Nicola Walker Re-10? Applehaigh Lane
- Notton Safe Scheme report [OFFICIAL]

164/0223-Grounds Maintenance

a)-It was suggested that Councillors advise contractors where the preferred places to park on the Green are, accepting that parking on the Green will happen, so a controlled approach would be the best.

b)-The Clerk was asked to acquire a map of the Green showing where the District Highways land fell in relation to the Green.

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165/0223-Allotments

The Clerk reported that the holder of plot six and the holder of plots eight, nine and ten, had yet to pay rent. The Clerk was instructed to send letters requesting payment within seven days.

166/0223- Governance

a)-Village Hall room hire requirements and future Council room hire needs.

The Clerk asked that the Village Hall Trustees invoice the Parish Council for room hire, it was noted that room hire needs would be unchanged from the previous year. Consideration would be made to room hire for the Highways Committee as and when required.

b)-Website, review contents to ensure all up to date compliant with the small Council transparency code.

Noted that the Website has some financial information missing. The information would be sent to Councillor Hicks for uploading to the website. A copy of the transparency code was requested to be circulated.

167/0223-To receive information on the community spending (CIL) and other projects and agree action.

a)-To receive update on CIL money.

It was noted that communication from the Officer responsible for CIL was a repeat of information given previously. It was stated that it one of the properties in question was currently being rented, however we have no evidence to prove this. The Parish Council will continue to monitor the project.

b)-To receive an update on Jubilee Tree Plaque.

The Stainless Steel A5 Queens Green Canopy plaque was given to Cllr Jaggar who will oversee installation.

c)-To receive an update on the hanging baskets and consider quotation.

The quote for hanging baskets from Plantscape was accepted, it was stated that donations from the public at £70 per basket would be requested with the balance being made up of £60 donated by the Clerk from the Expenses allowance (contribution to internet connection) and CIL monies. The Clerk will notify Plantscape.

168/0223-To receive an update on the Police Safe Scheme report.

Report of January 2023, Noted.

169/0223-To consider Parish matters.

a)-To consider Commemorative Coronation Mugs and recipients.

It was decided to support the Village Hall Coronation Event as an alternative to this proposal.

b)-To consider support for the Village Hall Coronation Event.

Resolved to support the Village Hall Coronation Event with a donation of £200.00 using S137.

170/0223-Matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

Fly tipping on Smawell Lane.

Meeting closed at 9:14 pm

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Andrew Woodhead
Clerk to Notton Parish Council

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